



# Havelock North Intermediate School

## Newsletter

18<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Following my letter earlier this week regarding our chocolate fundraising sales I am pleased to advise that the response was very heartening.

I wish to thank all families who supported this fundraising effort and a special thank you to Dorothea Millen and her team of helpers whose support took a huge amount of pressure of our Office Staff.

While it is unfortunate that our school relies on fundraising income it is a reality which must be faced. I wonder if the chocolate sales have run their course for our school and community and if so then what could be substituted to replace them? If you have any thoughts on this please email our office at [admin@hni.school.nz](mailto:admin@hni.school.nz).

The recent Havelock North High School Relay competition saw significant success for four of our teams. I congratulate all students who ran so well and thank the staff who prepared them.

The Havelock North Dance competition held on Monday night was strongly supported by families. A wonderful programme of dance was enjoyed by all. Congratulations to the five teams selected for the Hawke's Bay competition the following day and a special congratulations to the teams placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> at this event.

On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> a free concert will be offered to students. The programme includes Hip Hop – Classic Hits and Barbers Shop Quartet music performed by a travelling group of young adults called the Revolution Tour.

The recent Year 8 Camp review has been concluded. I thank all families who participated in the consultation. I enclose a summary of parent views.

Regards,  
Graham Ellis  
PRINCIPAL



### Room 10's Culture Day

*Our day started with colours blurring together in a frenzied explosion of awe-inspiring creativity, there were bursts of flavour from the different varieties of food from around the world. Room 10 had a great morning filled with conversation and fun that concluded our transaction writing unit. Our photo collage is displayed later on in this newsletter.*

*By Kayla Mackey-Eveleigh*



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## Awards

### Honours Badge

The Honours Badge is our highest award. Students who have received Gold Awards in at least 4 different areas – Academic, Technology, Cultural, Sport and Service – and have been awarded Stars in at least 2 different areas are eligible to apply for an Honours Badge. Applicants must then put their case to the Principal during an interview.

We are pleased to announce that *Jasmin Rorrison* received an Honours Badge.



### Gold Awards

The Gold Award recognises excellence in the Academic, Cultural, Technology, Sporting and Service fields.

The school has pleasure in presenting Gold Awards to the following students for outstanding achievements.

**Technology** – *Hinckley Pogai, Ryan Murphy, William van Bohemen, Ibanez King-Edwards, Kyle Duligall, Bryce Green*

**Stars:** *Nicole Wessels, Emily Bain, Olivia Broadhurst, Abbie Lochhead*

**Sport** – *Elise Legarth, Demi Beardshall*

**Stars:** *Ethan Mackie, Ibanez King-Edwards, Sam Field*

**Service** – *Yahaira Williams,*

### Awesome Awards

Awesome Awards are presented to students by their various teachers on a daily basis and recognise such things as:

- Positive attitude to class and school
- Work ethic
- Good behaviour in classroom/ playground
- Helping and assisting others
- Manners and courtesy
- Effort to achieve one's best

**Congratulations** to the following students who have received a number of Awesome Awards this fortnight.

*Emma Hansen, Amohaere Walker, Ibanez King-Edwards, Kelsey Ulyatt, Belinda Bridgman, Kane Daysh-Coldicutt, Te Reinga Bellamy, Jacob Doak, Ethan Smith, Georgia Wright, Jack Morgan, Matt Genet, Tyler Cook, Nicole Couchman, Holly Kennedy, MacKenzie Dellaway, Tom Black, Thorunn Olafsson-Jory, Hamish Sandilands, Georgia Lock, Bailey Batt*

### Congratulations to...

- **Madi Gaiger-Grove**, Y7 R11, **Clare Sullivan**, Y8 R17 and Leana Atkinson, Y12 Hastings Girls High School (ex HNI student), who were selected to sing solo with Russian singer Yulia at St Matthews Church in Hastings on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May. They attended a one day Singing Workshop open to ages from 8 to 20 years of age at the Hawke's Bay Opera House.



- **Clare Sullivan** was placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Registered Music Teachers junior Scholarship last Saturday.

### School Forum



Congratulations to **Yahaira Williams** and **Reegan Brown** who have been elected as our 2010 Forum.

Our School Forum meets weekly with Mr Ellis. They decide the fundraising focus for our Mufti days each term, and reflect a student's perspective to a range of School events.

## Dance Festival

### HNI Dance Festival

What an enjoyable evening watching our Dance groups perform their Dance routines to Music. All groups are to be congratulated on their quality performance. The hours of practice in reaching this standard was clearly evident in all dances. Adjudicators judged the Dance groups. Five were selected to represent Havelock North Intermediate at the Hawke's Bay Dance Festival. The successful groups were

#### **Boomalicious**

*Emily Griffin, Poppy Compston, Madison Bowey, Libby Ford, Courtney Hastings, Madeline Jones & Kelsey Grapes*

#### **Hypnotised**

*Rebecca Williams, Jasmin Rorrison, Eliza Mill, Olivia Broadhurst, Brooke Linnell, Lucy Kittow*

#### **Metrick Moverz**

*Gabrielle Frewin, Maddi Potaka, Haylee Nolan, Natalya Taylor, Alana Rowsell, Alysha Morgan, Emily Bain, Layla Pitt*

#### **Sweet Ones**

*Georgia Lock, Dayna Murrell, Lucy Thomsen, Melissa Oliver, Belinda Bridgman, Marnie Willis*

#### **The Shakers**

*Jess Steele-Mortimer, Jeorgia Penrice, Kate Jacobs, Victoria Crosswell, Courtnee Ryder, Ella Coram-O'Kane, Emma Vennell, Mady Chu*

### Hawke's Bay Dance Festival

The Hawke's Bay Dance Festival was held at Hastings Intermediate School. Two of our teams were placed in the top 3:

**Boomalicious** gained 1<sup>st</sup> place



**Sweet Ones** gained 3<sup>rd</sup> place



This outstanding achievement is a well deserved reward for the team spirit, dedication and commitment over many weeks.

Special thanks to Mrs Julie Sturch for coordinating our Dance Festival and providing the opportunity for so many students to take part.

## School Board of Trustees

Congratulations to our new Board of Trustees members, **Murray Wiffin, Clint Adamson, Andrew Emslie, Lisa Hughes and Debbie Warren**, who attend their first meeting on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May. A new Board of Trustees Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson will be elected at this weeks meeting.

On behalf of our school community I would like to thank our departing Board members, **Graeme McHattie, Roger Teague, Gaye Evans-Love, Sally Lochhead and John van Bohemen** for their contributions to Havelock North Intermediate over recent years.

## School Fees

Thank you to those parents who have paid their school fees. All fees paid by 30<sup>th</sup> June will go in a draw to receive 1 of 5 \$100.00 grocery vouchers. The Board of Trustees is hopeful that all school fees will be paid by this date.

## Year 7 & 8 Netball Reps

We are very proud of our 7 netballers who have made it into the Hastings Representatives netball teams. In the Year 7 team **Lauren Hartridge, Imogen Mickleson & Olivia Addis** were selected. **Reegan Brown & Nabifwo Simiyu** were selected for the Year 8 team, and **Emma Taylor & Yahaira Williams** who were both Hastings Representatives in 2009. We had 14 girls trial this year and they all did extremely well! Congratulations girls, we are looking forward to hearing of your successes.

## Cross Country

### Superb Havelock North Relay Results

HNI had 4 teams competing in the Fifth Havelock North Relay held about the Karituhenua Stream on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May.

Our Girls' A team of Emma Taylor, Jasmin Rorrison, Brooke Linnell and Grace Magee, not only won their race but beat the Year 9 high school teams as well! Emma Taylor won the cup for the quickest runner.

Our Girls' B team won the B Grade event and were the second team across the line in the Year 7/8 race, beating the other A grade teams.

In the Boys' Race our A team of Sean Morrison, Daniel Way, Sam Field and Callum Wilkie came 2<sup>nd</sup> and our B team of Issac Wiffen, Blake Williams, Ross Willox and Max Yarwood won their B Grade race and came in 3<sup>rd</sup> in the combined A and B Grade.  
*Mr K. Bussell*

## School Banking

Reminder – this Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May Westpac staff will be in our School Office to sign up students who wish to open a savings account. Full details are in the accompanying letter.

## EOTC Review Sheet

Thank you for your participation in the recent review process. The results are:

	Highest Rating 1	2	3	4	Lowest Rating 5
<b>Value for Money</b>					
<i>Parent Responses</i>	49	61	35	7	3
<b>Activities Offered</b>					
<i>Parent Responses</i>	74	62	11	4	1
<b>Geothermal Experience</b>					
<i>Parent Responses</i>	45	50	39	14	2

### Summary of Responses

Ratings 1 and 2 show a high percentage of families thought favourably about the Year 8 experience.

- Caregivers liked the residential concept.
- Found favour with all students sharing a similar experience.
- Thought the activities were appropriate for the age group of our students.
- Some concerns were expressed around the standard of the facilities and the food and the distance travelled as it impacted on cost.

### Conclusion

The majority view was that the cost was acceptable when balanced against the length of the camp and the activities offered.

- Parents would like prior warning – end of Year 7 and or a similar type of experience closer to home.
- A strong view that parents prefer a common experience for all students compared to a multi venue programme as has been offered previously.
- Views regarding the timing of the camp ranged with parents conceding merits in both Term 1 and Term 4 camps.

I value the time taken and consideration given to your comments. These will be taken into consideration when making decisions about Year 8 camps later this year.

## National Standards

The May 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Education Gazette published by the Ministry of Education has made the following comments about how many students are expected to achieve the National Standards.

### How many students are expected to achieve the standards?

*A. National Standards are designed to inform teaching and learning so that the next steps for each child are clearly identified. They have been set at a level that will ensure students who meet them are able to read, write and do maths well enough to support their learning in all other learning areas. The standards have been designed so that students who meet them will be on track to achieve NCEA Level 2.*

*Based on current data we estimate that in reading approximately:*

- 50 percent of students are likely to be at or above the standard after 1 year at school
- 60 percent are likely to be at or above the standard at Year 4
- 60 percent are likely to be at or above the standard at Year 8.

*We estimate that in mathematics approximately:*

- 80 percent of students are likely to be at or above the standard after 1 year at school
- 70 percent are likely to be at or above the standard at Year 4
- 50 percent are likely to be at or above the standard at Year 8.

*In every classroom children achieve at different levels and progress at different rates; some children will be working well beyond their peers, and others will be working well below.*

### HNI Implementation Guide

We have compiled a document which will inform you of our Schools process in reporting against National Standards i.e. mid year written reports, and parent teacher interviews. This document will be available from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May on our school web site, for you to download, or from the School Office.

## Masterton Sports Exchange

Our annual Sports Exchange with Masterton Intermediate will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> June. This year Masterton will travel to us. Sports teams have been selected. The selected students will get further information early next week. The students billeting Masterton will be asked to write an introductory letter.

Sports events include:

- Volleyball (Boys & Girls)
- Table Tennis (Boys & Girls)
- Soccer (Boys & Girls)
- Hockey (Boys & Girls)
- Basketball (Boys & Girls)
- Chess
- Harriers
- Touch
- Rugby
- Netball  
4 teams
- Badminton (Boys & Girls)



## Book Corner

**The Mine's Afire!**  
By Tommy Carter

*Tommy Carter is a typical boy living in the West Coast mining community of Dobson in 1896. He catches eels in the Grey Valley creeks, plays the cornet in the local band, and looks forward to the day when he will leave school and get a job. However, Tommy is not keen to follow his Uncle Fred down into the Brunner mine, with its hardships and ever-present danger.*

*One terrible day, Tommy's worst fears come true when an explosion rips through the mine. This fictional diary records the tragedy, heroism and bitter aftermath of New Zealand's worst-ever industrial disaster.*

*This story written by Susan Battye & Thelma Eakin is a finalist in the New Zealand Post Children's Book Awards this year. Another in the My Story collection which is always popular.*



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## Community Events

- **Karamu's Annual Planting Day** - You are invited to participate on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 10.00am – 2pm.
- **Heretaunga Women's Centre** – Drawing and oil painting class on Wednesday 10.00 – 12.00 starts 12<sup>th</sup> May for 4 weeks. Phone 878.5401 for further information.
- **After School Care – K.A.S. Care** at the HN Soccer Clubrooms, Guthrie Park, Monday-Friday till 5.30pm. Holiday Programme 1<sup>st</sup> week only of each school holidays – Bookings essential. Phone Julie Field on 877.6345 or email [kascare@actrix.co.nz](mailto:kascare@actrix.co.nz) for more information.

## Coming Events

<b>18/5</b>	The Great Drain Game
<b>19/5</b>	Inter Intermediate Rugby Tournament
<b>21/5</b>	Year 7 Vaccination Education Session
<b>21/5</b>	Hawke's Bay Literature Quiz
<b>26/5</b>	Lunchtime Entertainment
<b>3/6</b>	Girls Self Defence Course ends
<b>7/6</b>	Queens Birthday – School closed
<b>8/6</b>	Inter-House Athletics 6pm
<b>11/6</b>	Year 8 Girls Vaccination No 2 & Y7 Vaccination

## Maths Is No Problem

There are many different strategies that can be used to solve a problem. They include

- (a) Guessing and Checking
- (b) Working Backwards
- (c) Drawing a Diagram
- (d) Looking for a Pattern
- (e) Using a Table
- (f) Making a List

### Last Newsletter's Problem:

*If a father is now five times as old as his daughter, how many years ago was the daughter 2 years old and the father 38?*

**Answer:** 7 years ago the daughter was 2 and the father 38. Start when the father was 38 and the daughter 2, and add a year at a time until the correct relationship between their present ages is found.

### Problem Solving Challenge 6:

*When I write a date in the form 31.3.93 (meaning 31<sup>st</sup> March 1993) I am very pleased if the product of the first two numbers equals the third number (here  $31 \times 3 = 93$ ). I call such dates "product dates". In fact I was born on a product date: 7.10.70. When was the next product date after my birth?*

Have your child work it out; discuss it as a family, or even work together to solve it. Show **the answer** and **how the problem was solved** on a piece of paper which can be placed in the box in the School Office. The answer will appear in the next newsletter alongside the new problem to be solved.