



# Huiakama School

NEWSLETTER WEEK 8, TERM 2, 2020

## IMPORTANT DATES:

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- 10 June** - BOT meeting 7pm
- 19 June** - Lucky book club orders due
- 1 July** - BOT meeting 7pm
- 3 July** - Last day of term 2
- 20 July** - First day of term 3

### Lucky Book Club:

Lucky Book pamphlets are coming out again. Orders are due by the 19th of June.

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## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE:

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Kia ora everyone,

Welcome back to our newsletter. It seems like a long time since we had one of these go out! We are excited to share with you some of the exciting things that we did during Lockdown and learning online from home.

In 1947 schools across the New Zealand were closed for 4 months because of the Polio epidemic. Covid-19 is the first thing in New Zealand that has had a similar impact on schools. All principals across New Zealand were faced with a huge job in leading their schools through this time. Getting students and families set up for learning during this time and making it work for each community's needs. Like others, we had a huge range of challenges that our students and parents faced and I am so proud of everyone and all the successes that came out of it.

So many of these challenges were things that none of us have ever faced before - and probably won't ever face again - and it was such a great learning curve and success. I want to take this time to acknowledge the huge amount of effort was put in during this time. The children showed up each day, persevered as we all learned new routines and technologies and embraced the new style of learning. Parents, you stepped into a vital role of supporting your children's education. Without you we would not have been able to do as much as we did and we thank you for your time, patience and perseverance during this time.

On the next page there is a range of photos of some of our learning experiences during lockdown. They ranged from kitchen science, Z-A object stacks, crazy hat day, and ANZAC craft, baking and dawn services with a difference.

We are glad to be back at school and getting back into our new normal. Remember if you are unwell, stay away from school. If anyone does come into school, please follow our routines of sanitising and signing in at the door.

Nga mihi nui, *Carmen*

"From little acorns mighty oaks grow."

# HOME LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS:

