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Tēnā koutou, talofa lava, bula vinaka, namaste, malo e lelei, kia orana, ni hoa, sōbaai-di, magandang umaga, xin chao, salam, sour sdey, kumusta, alaicom salam, greetings

A big thank to you parents/whanau who supported the teaching profession on Wednesday. The decision to strike was not taken lightly. The last strike was in 1994 and I was teaching at Fendalton Primary. At that time, primary teachers were asking to be paid the same as secondary teachers for similar qualifications. Our slogan at the time was - *the child's shoe size should not matter in regard to pay*. Primary teachers were successful and received pay parity with their secondary colleagues.

We are now at a crossroads; less people are training to become a teacher, 50% of beginning teachers are leaving after 5 years and we have more children arriving at schools with challenging behaviours and learning needs. Something has to change, remuneration (money) is only one aspect the profession is asking for

1. We need more teachers so children can get more 1:1 contact
2. We need to improve working conditions for teachers, eg. more learning support for children with needs
3. Pay increase to attract quality teachers and retain teachers

This is about ensuring a quality education system for our children, grandchildren and future generations! Thank you once again for your understanding and support.

Brainwave Trust Early Years Presentation

The Early Years Last Forever - Whakamana i te tamaiti

We cover brain development from conception through the early years, a period of time which may affect a child's development emotionally, physically, intellectually and socially.

The main topics covered are:

Children need adults who show they love them to help them survive and thrive

What happens to a child can help or get in the way of their healthy development

The way in which children's brains develop is influenced by the experiences they have, which shapes the way they think, feel, and behave

Every day there are opportunities to help children reach their potential

Adversity in childhood can have short and long term effects

Venue: Hornby High Auditorium

Time: Thursday 23 August 5-7pm

No charge

Fush Team of the Week

Congratulations to the Hawks basketball team who were awarded the team of the week for their great comeback in their game two weeks ago. They were down 3 points with 3 minutes to go then came back to win by three points. Great resilience!! A big thank you to Anton and Jess Matthews of Fush Wigram for their sponsorship.



Basketball

This year we are lucky enough to have three teams playing basketball on a Friday night in the Gators competition. At the end of Term 2 there were playoffs for each section of the competition. The Hurricanes had a convincing win to finish third in their section and the Hawks and the Hornets played each other for third and fourth, with the Hawks going away victorious.

Basketball is underway again for Term 3. We have had a successful start to the term with the Hurricanes and the Hawks teams both having two wins and the Hornets having one win. It's great to see the continued development of all players and the growth in confidence and skill level. A huge thank you to all the parents and supporters for your commitment in getting your child involved in sports.

Congratulations to 2

- Alyssa for making the Year 5/6 Girls All Stars Team
- James for making the Year 5 Boys All Stars Team

Nic Scott

A very big thank you to Nic Scott for the time and commitment she puts in to our basketball programme. It is greatly appreciated - thank you Nic!

PB4L

Now that things are drying out a bit the children have been able to spread out onto the field. It is good to see many of the senior children enjoying their game of soccer at lunch-times. This has helped the crowded basketball court. There is a keen group of touch players competing at each break, and a very flexible group of gymnasts. This term the school has been focusing on the behaviours we would like to see in all areas at school. These are:

- To show respect, for themselves, others and the environment
- To be a good role model, especially the senior children
- To use HIKERS (Honesty, Individuality, Kindness, Excellence, Respect, Self-management)
- To show integrity, doing the right thing even if no one is watching

With so many new children starting school it is good to see many of the senior children stepping up and being good role models for these young ones.

Children will have a Fun Day to look forward to next week, where they will be able to choose an activity for the afternoon. Like last term, this will be a Mufti Day. Children will be bringing home a note about this on Monday.

Uru Mānuka Fiafia

Thursday 30 August, 6pm

Hornby High Auditorium

Our Pasifika group will be performing on the night with other schools from the cluster. We welcome our Pasifika families /aiga to join us on the night.

New Pupils

This fortnight we welcome Temera into our school community.

Upcoming Events

Friday 17 August	9am – Rooms 1 & 2 assembly – all welcome
Wednesday 22 August	Fun Day
Thursday 23 August	5-7 Brainwave Presentation at Hornby High
Thursday 30 August	6pm Fiafia at the High School

Ngā mihi

Gary

Last fortnight's Personal Best Certificate winners were:



This fortnight's Personal Best Certificate winners are:

Room 1

Jailah

Showing the school values and sharing her ideas

Marina

Trying her personal best during maths. Well done.

Room 2

Casper

Always being an active class member and contributing to class discussions

Lyah

Always being a motivated learner

Room 3

Ada

Tō kaha ki te tuku atu tō pepehā ahakoa te matakū

Mereana

Tō kaha whakarongo ki ngā pakiwaitara

Room 4

Misty-Rose

Doing such a great job learning your pēpehā. He purupuru Tuawhiti – you're a bright spark!

Yazmin

Making fantastic progress in Pāngarau. Your knowledge of haurau – fractions is outstanding

Room 5

Evah

Being more confident on the school playground

Hazel	Working hard in writing and reading
Room 6	
Alonzo	Improved listening skills – following instructions
Winter Rose	Great self management skills
Room 7	
Austin	Fantastic improvement in you writing. Lelei tele.
Kaydence	Showing resilience when working on your writing and spelling goals
Room 8	
David	Trying your personal best in your learning. Ka pai.
Taya	Your super progress in reading and writing. Tino pai.
Room 9	
Ellenessa	Consistently working to her personal best
Jade	Great work in reading
Room 10	
Isabella	Being inclusive and considerate of others in all learning tasks
Samuel	Settling into the routines and expectations in Room 10
Ako Ngātahi	
Bailey	Showing resilience and perseverance during maths problem solving
Bianca	An excellent effort in writing and maths. Keep up the great work.
Lhysette	Being a proactive blog poster and completing thoughtful posts
Shylah	Becoming more self managing and sharing her ideas with her group