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# HATAITAI SCHOOL



Dear Parents and Whanau

#### LEARNING CONFERENCES TEACHER ONLY DAY

Almost every family was available to attend their child's conference on Monday. We hope you found the time with your child's teacher affirming and informative.

The teachers appreciated your feedback forms and learning more about your child. The next Learning Conferences will be held in July during after school hours.

#### **GARDENS**

This week Nga Wai students have freshened up all the external pots and planted some grasses. They have also been working on restoring the vegetable garden; spreading seaweed, weeding and fixing the wind barrier. We are aiming to rejuvenate the soil to begin planting.

On Wednesday, Glen and a group of students visited Holy Cross School this week to see how their Garden to Table programme works. The students from Holy Cross were extremely welcoming and made our students feel at home. They shared a meal of taboulleh made with fresh ingredients picked that morning.

Our lovely Butterfly Garden is looking very tired. If you can help for an hour or two at some point we would appreciate it. Also, if you have any native seedlings, flower seedlings or old tools please contact Glen - glen.sneddon@hataitai.school.nz





#### **OUR SCHOOL VALUES - HATAITAI SCHOOL HOUSES**

Our school Value is RESPECT

MANA - Respect for Self MANAAKI - Respect for Others AKO - Respect for Learning

We strive to weave these values into every aspect of Hataitai School life.

Today the House teams met for the first time and the 2021 House Leaders were voted. As soon as we have the results we will inform the school community.

#### **@SCHOOL APP**

We are always very, very grateful for the generosity our parent community shows by paying their donations. The donations enable us to extend the learning beyond the classroom which always provides opportunities and experiences that deepen the students' learning.

Your child's latest Statement is available on the @SCHOOL APP

You are welcome to set up Automatic Payments to account number 12-3140-0331710-00. Please put your child's name and school fees as a reference.

The **@SCHOOL APP** also enables you to print off your receipts for any payments made.

**REMINDER:** Going forward - most communications will be via the **@SCHOOL APP** only. The school is asking for you to sign up as soon as possible. You can also report an absence, read the newsletters (which are current for this year), get your tax receipts, check all your contact details are current, link to the website and eventually obtain reports.

To download the APP:

Find the @school APP on your iphone via the APP Store or Google Play and download the APP

Or go to www.atschool.co.nz for laptops or PCs



Once you receive the email link from the Office, you need to:

- Click on the link.
- Enter the USERNAME (which is numeric)
- Go back to your email inbox for the temporary password
- Enter the temporary password, login and navigate the APP and change your password.

Please contact Melissa via the office if you need assistance with this

#### **SENCO MEETING**

Last Friday we held an afternoon tea with the parents of students who are on our SENCO roll.

Sean Mead - SENCO leader, along with Teacher Aides Brenda Evans, Cameron Laing and Liam O'Leary introduced themselves and described their daily timetable.

We endeavour to have Teacher Aide support time in all classrooms daily. Should you have any concerns or you are wondering if please contact Sean on <a href="mailto:senco@hataitai.school.nz">senco@hataitai.school.nz</a> and he will respond as soon as possible.

# HSPG MEETING - HATAITAI SCHOOL PARENTS GROUP Tuesday 23 March at the Waitoa 7:00pm - 8:00pm

## We urgently require new volunteers please!

Last year we said farewell to long standing members of HSPG - Catherine England, Caroline Haley, Kathleen Logan and Bec Gardiner.

We are now desperate to have some new members to carry on this extremely important work. Through the successful fundraising of the HSPG over the years the school has been able to achieve extras such as the Astroturf, new playgrounds, modern water fountains, painting, gardens, an Arts Day budget, library books and many other things.

**Tuesday 23 March at the Waitoa at 7:00 – 8:00pm.** Please come along to this first meeting of the year. Ideally, we would like at least one parent representative for each home class.

#### **ROAD SAFETY - URGENT RESPONSE NEEDED**

It is with great disappointment and frustration that we have again seen and received reports of parents breaking road safety rules by parking on the yellow lines around the school boundary. This is **extremely** dangerous and blocks line of sight for the children trying to cross and other drivers who choose to follow all the expected safety measures.

We have been putting out cones as a reminder to you all that we are <u>not</u> allowed to park (even for a few seconds) on or beside the broken yellow lines. Each time a member of the staff witnesses this poor response to the safety of our children we will be contacting the police. If you see anyone ignoring this urgent request, please send their car registration number to me at <u>principal@hataitai.school.nz</u>

# **SCHOOL NOTICES**

#### **WEET-BIX TRYATHLON 2021**

This Sunday 21 March, the Weetbix Tryathlon is being held at Kilbirnie Park, Wellington!

A Hataitai School gazebo will be set up early on Sunday morning, so keep an eye out for the Hataitai flag.

Best of luck and we'll see you there!!

#### **FLOORBALL**

Please note that there are NO floorball games on 23 or 25 March

#### HATAITAI SCHOOL SENIOR NETBALL

If your child has signed up, please pay \$60 to the office by Thursday 01 April 2021.

Account number: 12-3140-0331710-00

Reference: Student's Name

Code: Senior Netball

This money goes to Motu Kairangi, which organises the school netball in the area. It also pays for balls and court hiring fees etc. We will also need to pay umpires and we will be asking for a \$25 contribution to be paid to team managers when the season begins.

Trials for **Years 6-8** will be held on **11 April 2021**, at the ASB sports centre, from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. If your child can't make it, they will be allocated a team.

All queries to Erin Mahoney on erin@mahoney.nz or Amy Orr on robert.amy@totara100.nz

#### **MINIBALL 2021**

Registrations are open for Miniball teams for 2021. We are gauging interest to see what teams we can field. If your child is interested please email their name, year group and class to glen.sneddon@hataitai.school.nz

#### **ABSENCES**

Please contact the **school office** to advise of your child's absence before 9:00am. You can advise the office by: -

**Phone**: (04) 386 1510, then press 1 to leave a message

Parent Portal: Push Absence, then Notify an Absence

Email:office@hataitai.school.nzWebsite:absence@hataitai.school.nz

If you advise/email your child's teacher of an impending absence, please ensure you "CC" the office as well.

#### **LUNCH ORDERS**

Hell Pizza - Wednesday

Standard \$6.00 each or Gluten free \$7.00 each

#### Sushi - Thursday

Place your order for Thursday via www.ezlunch.co.nz

Orders are accepted up until 9.00am on a Thursday morning

#### NO MORE LOST PROPERTY

Please encourage your child to check the astro turf and hall as these are the two places that lost property usually accumulates.

# **HATAITAI SCHOOL PARENTS GROUP (HSPG)**

HSPG are a group of parents who volunteer their time to help support and build a positive school community and to raise funds to support the school and our children's learning environment.

We really need your help! Current committee members are leaving at the end of Term 1 and making way for new members - could that be you?

We welcome and encourage new ideas and skills from our school community, and would love your input. We understand that everyone is busy (so are we!) but HSPG needs new people and ideas, to continue. It's for the kids!

Come along to an informal meeting next Tuesday 23 March, 7:00pm at Waitoa Social Club (Hataitai) and help us plan some fun events for this year.

Alternatively, email <u>fundraising@hataitai.school.nz</u>

# HATAITAI SCHOOL SPORT AND HOUSE T-SHIRT COLLECTION

We are looking to do a second hand sale of House and Sports T-shirts as a fundraiser for the school, and to recycle items which are pre-loved but still good quality.

We are asking our families to donate any Hataitai School House and Sports T-shirts that your children have grown out of or no longer use. We are only collecting pre-washed, good quality t-shirts - no holes or stains. Collection of t-shirts is at the office - from now, for the rest of Term 4, and early Term 1, 2021.

Once we have collected enough items we will confirm a date for a sale in Term 1 so you can get everyone sorted after their holiday growth spurts!

Thanks for your support, HSPG

#### HATAITAI SCHOOL CLOTHING

Would your child like a house team t-shirt/sports t-shirt/school hoodie? Or perhaps even a sunhat? Check out the range of products on the school website www.hataitai.school.nz

### **HOODIE ORDERS**

Please note: a hoodie order is only placed once per term, to save on delivery costs and keep prices low. It is recommended that the online ordering form is completed on a computer, rather than mobile phone, to make sure the order is received.

### \*\*HOODIE ORDERING DEADLINE FOR TERM 1: ORDERS CLOSE THURSDAY 1 APRIL\*\*

#### **FLASH SALE!**

Hoodies with "HATAITAI" printed on the front are only \$40 – sizes 12 and 14. Ask at office.

All clothing items can be ordered online through the school website (except for the sunhat – available at office for \$8). Sunhats must be worn at break times during Term 4 – here's a great option!

Sunhats must be worn during break times during Terms 1 and 4 – here's a great option (pictured below) can be purchased directly from the office for \$8.00.

#### COLLECT YUMMY STICKERS FROM APPLES! - WE GET FREE SPORTS GEAR!

An ongoing fundraiser we have is the collection of 'Yummy Stickers' from apples - help us collect stickers for sports gear! Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags and individual Yummy apple stickers - the more we collect, the more sports gear we get! Sticker sheets are in your classrooms.

If you're collecting them at home, sticker sheets can be found at <a href="http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schoolstickerpromo">http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schoolstickerpromo</a> (hand in to the office when complete)