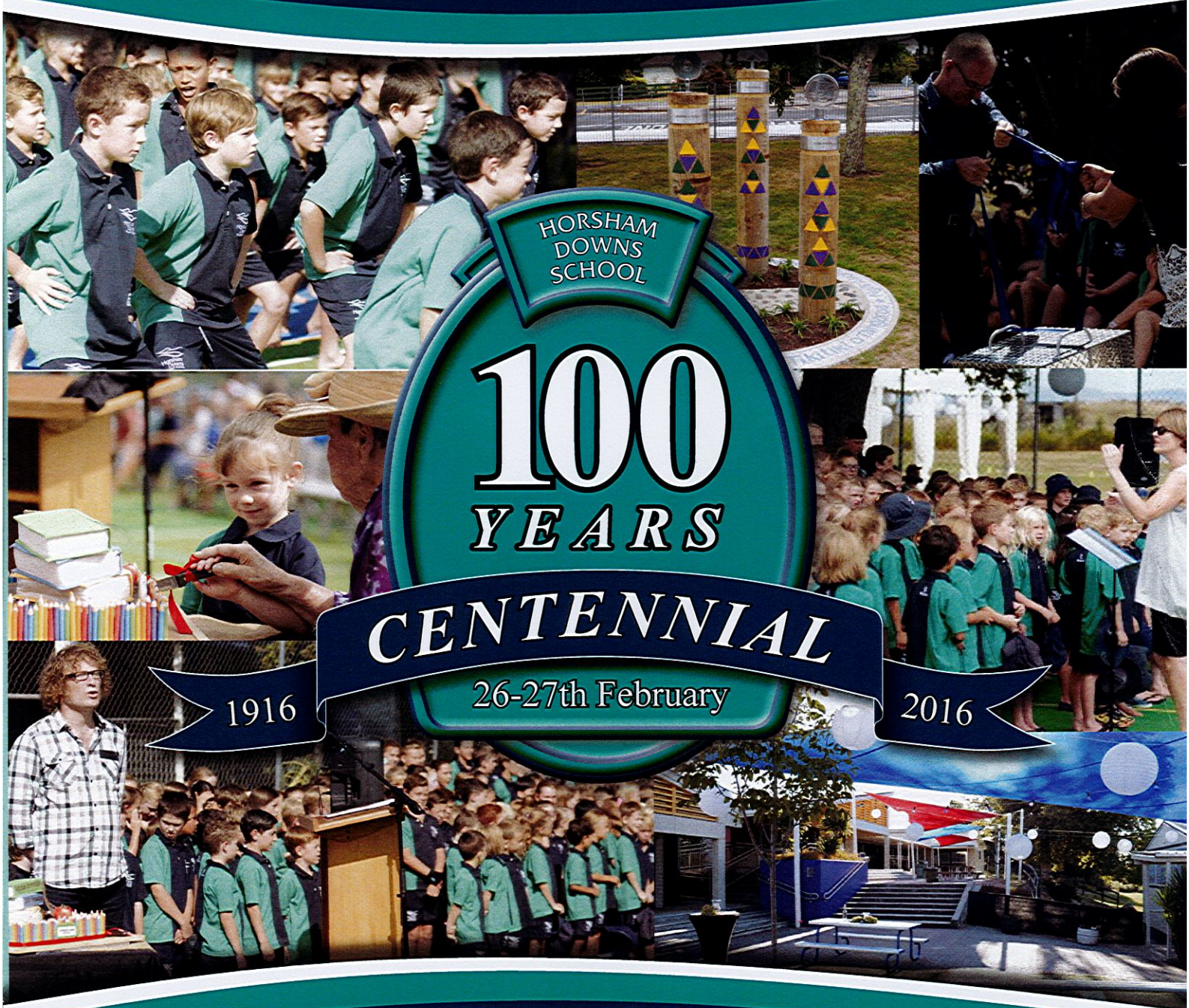


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Dates to Remember

23/08/17

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| 21-25 August | Sports Camp |
| 25 August | Daffodil Day |
| 29 August | Ag. Day Meeting (For Volunteers) —6.30pm |
| 31 August | KOS Parent meeting—2.00pm-3-00pm |
| 1 September | Tima Toru Sharing Assembly |
| | ICAS Certificates—Yrs 4-8 to be presented |
| | Tima Tahi Dance Shoe—Approx 1.45pm start |
| 8 September | Sport and Group Photos |

A View From The Top...

It is a wee bit quieter than usual around school this week with 39 of our Y7/8 students away to sports camp at Totara Springs. We are sure they will all be enjoying the chance to compete and collaborate with other Y7/8s from all around the Waikato and beyond. This is just one other example of the extra-curricular cultural, sporting, academic and educational opportunities our school offers children. Our teachers and parents support for these programmes adds that extra little something that not every school can. At Horsham Downs, we strive to provide these challenges and opportunities across a variety of arenas so everyone can develop their full potential.



Towards the end of this term our school will be running the Keeping Ourselves Safe (KoS) programme. This is a special programme designed and implemented by the New Zealand Police Service for schools. Its aim is to enable children and young people to learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others.

We will be running a parent KoS information afternoon on Thursday 31 August at 2:00pm, prior to the programme beginning. Please see notice attached for an overview of the programme and requirements. We also educate staff that under the Vulnerable Children Act (2014) there is a *requirement* for anyone to report signs of abuse or neglect. If you have any specific concerns please do not hesitate to contact us after the information afternoon.

Steve Dunsmore
Principal

23 August 2017

Dear Parents,

In Weeks 8-10 of this term, all classes will be covering the health unit, "Keeping Ourselves Safe". This programme, designed by the NZ Police, gives children the skills to cope in situations involving abuse.

It has three overall aims:

- * To develop and strengthen children's skills to keep themselves safe with other people
- * To support and encourage abused children to get help from caring adults
- * To make teachers and parents more aware of the need to keep children safe from abuse by adults or other children.

The course will be taught by your child's teacher, with help from the local Police Education Officer, Peter Van'tHout.

At the Year 0-3 level the unit is called Knowing What to Do, and topics include:

- understanding feelings (especially safe and unsafe)
- coping with hazards
- different types of touch
- tricks, bribes and treats
- saying 'no'
- getting help

At the Year 4-6 level the unit is called Getting Help, and topics include:

- recognising danger
- strategies to keep safe
- Bullying
- different types of touch
- acting responsibly with younger children
- reporting abuse
- getting help

At the Year 7-8 level the unit is called Standing up for Myself, and topics include:

- * recognising danger
- * safety strategies
- * babysitting
- * caring for others
- * finding out about abuse
- * family violence
- * reporting abuse
- * abuse and the law

To be successful, this programme needs your help and support.

1. Your child may have home activities to work on with you.
2. Talk to your child about what they have been learning. This will help reinforce the messages the school is giving, and help your child to use his or her new skills with confidence.
3. Become more informed yourself. The NZ Police have a supporting publication called "Keeping Kids Safer – a guidebook for parents and caregivers." This booklet, available on the NZ Police website (<http://www.police.govt.nz/sites/default/files/publications/kos-keeping-kids-safer.pdf>) has information that may help you to answer questions that your child may have as a result of the school lessons. Included is a section on cybersafety – a very real issue to 21st century youth. Please note that the booklet is aimed at parents and is not exactly what is covered in the student unit.

If you would like to find out more about this upcoming unit, we will be holding an information meeting at school in the Multi-Purpose Room, on **Thursday 31 August at 2pm**. Community Police Officer, Peter Van'tHout, will outline the programme and answer any questions you have. Attendance is optional but it would be helpful if you could let the school know if you are planning on attending - either by email office@horshamdowns.school.nz or by sending a note to school with your name and the number of adults attending.

Thank you,
Rachel Poulthney
Deputy Principal

**Horsham Downs Students Participate in Annual
Waimaths Competition.**



Year 7 Team : Amity
Watson, Maggie
Bennett, Nikita
Hoeft

Last Thursday evening, six of our students competed in the annual Waimaths competition, held at Peachgrove Intermediate School. Twenty four teams competed in each of the year 7 and 8 sections. They had twenty challenging problems to solve within a forty five minute time frame. The air was charged with tension as the students raced against each other to correctly answer as many questions as possible.

The following is one of the questions from the Year 7 paper:

Tom is 11 years old and was born on Friday September 9th 2005. What day of the week will his 21st birthday be on?

This year's questions were particularly challenging, and although we didn't achieve a top ten placing, we were very proud of the teamwork, determination and resilience our students solved in tackling these problems. Congratulations to all students involved. You can see by their smiling faces that Maths is fun!

Thanks to Lisa Bennett and Shirani Williams who helped with the judging on the night.



Year 8 Team:
Daniel Williams,
Avery Hansen,
Matthew Lynch

**ADVANCE NOTICE FOR SPORTS
AND GROUP PHOTOS**

Sports and Group photos will be held on Friday 8 September. Lists of teams/groups that will be having their photos taken will be sent out next week. Please note that Room 15's class photo will also be taken on this day.

ICAS WRITING 2017

This year, the writing genre was PERSUASIVE and the task was to write an argument on the following topic: Would you rather be rich, lucky or intelligent? Students only had 30 minutes to write, so we were especially thrilled with the quality of the writing produced and the great results. A special congratulations goes to Daniel Williams, whose score puts him in the top 1% of NZ and earned him a High Distinction award.

| Year | First Name | Last Name | Award |
|------|------------|---------------|------------------|
| 8 | DANIEL | WILLIAMS | High Distinction |
| 7 | PAIGE | VAN DER POEL | Distinction |
| 7 | MAGGIE | BENNETT | Distinction |
| 5 | SOPHIA | DOL | Distinction |
| 5 | ISLA | GREEN | Distinction |
| 4 | LYNN | LEE | Distinction |
| 8 | MATTHEW | LYNCH | Credit |
| 8 | AVA | O'NEALE | Credit |
| 7 | HAYLEY | DAWBIN | Credit |
| 7 | AMITY | WATSON | Credit |
| 7 | ALEXIS | DALY | Credit |
| 6 | SARITA | WILLIAMS | Credit |
| 5 | LANIK | KADRY | Credit |
| 5 | SOPHIE | WRIGHT | Credit |
| 4 | COOPER | VANDERPOEL | Credit |
| 4 | KATIA | DALY | Credit |
| 8 | AVERY | HANSON | Merit |
| 8 | ALEXANDRA | NEWMAN-JACOBS | Merit |
| 8 | MADELEINE | WILLS | Merit |
| 7 | DANICA | NEWPORT | Merit |
| 7 | KIANA | RAMEKA | Merit |
| 5 | MAIYA | JHAVERI | Merit |
| 8 | AMELIA | WHYMAN | Participation |
| 6 | ISAAC | JEFFERY | Participation |
| 5 | CHLOE | LAMB | Participation |
| 5 | CAITLIN | WRIGHT | Participation |
| 5 | ISABELLA | CAIE | Participation |
| 5 | TAYLOR | SMITH-HALL | Participation |
| 4 | YIRAN | JIANG | Participation |
| 4 | DYARKO | KADRY | Participation |
| 4 | CAITLYN | PHILLIPS | Participation |
| 4 | ZOIE | TORDOFF | Participation |



CALF REARING OPPORTUNITY FOR AG DAY

Would your child like a calf for AG day?

There is an opportunity for children to choose their own calf and experience training, grooming and learning about calves in preparation for AG day.

Looking after a calf involves lots of time and patience and will require your child to visit their calf on the local farm several times a week. Children will choose their calf toward the end of this month.

Unfortunately this opportunity is not available for five year old children due to their size.
For more information please contact Anya Kimpton 0276553067

Horsham Downs School Sports Results:

Netball

HDS Rockets lost 7-17 against Koromatua. Player of the day—Poppy McConnell
HDS Rockets lost 4-24 against Frankton Blues. Player of the day—Caitlin Wright
HDS Hotshots won 8-5 against HCS Silver. Player of the day—The Whole Team

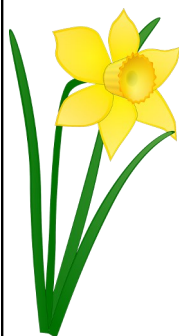


Hockey

HDS Strikers won 5-0 against Rototuna White. Players of the day—Gemma Landers and Caitlin Wright
HDS Strikers won 4-0 against Hamilton West Cheetahs. Players of the days Sophie Wright and Poppy McConnell
HDS Sneaky Sticks won 5-0 against Te Rapa Tigers. Player of the day—Sterling Hill
HDS Sneaky Sticks won 8-0 against Pukete Shooting Stars. Players of the day—Jamie Phillips and Ella Wright
HDS Steelstix lost 0-3 against Southwell Stellars. Player of the day—Lauren Phillips
HDS Flames lost 0-1 against Hukanui Trappers. Player of the day—James Hooker
HDS Flames lost 1-2 against Pukete Squirrels. Player of the day—William Aitken
HDS Warriors won 2-1 against Vardon Vipers. Player of the day—Jasmine Miller
HDS Warriors drew 2-2 against HNS Tigers. Player of the day—Luke Campbell
HDS Force won 8-0 against Hamilton West.
HDS Force won 5-0 against Rototuna B. Player of the day—Alex Newman-Jacobs and Nikita Hoeft



Please send all results through to office@horshamdowns.school.nz. Thank you



Daffodil Day is here again this Friday, 25th August. This year to fundraise, we (a group of William Pike Challenge students) will be selling hamburgers (gluten free option available), and all profits will go straight to the Cancer Society! We will sell these delicious burgers this Friday lunchtime, so please remember to complete the form you have been emailed A.S.A.P. as it is essential to Pre-order. A pin-on daffodil is included with the burger to symbolise the donation that you made by purchasing a hamburger for lunch.

For those not ordering hamburgers, please consider a gold coin donation. William Pike students will be on hand on Friday morning in front of the office to accept your donation and give you a pin-on daffodil.

(If you did not receive the emailed form, please check your spam file, and if you still didn't receive it please email lindaw@horshamdowns.school.nz)

| Room | Good Citizen | Self Manager | Thinking Learner |
|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 15 | Shya Verhoeven | Luke Abercrombie | Austin Miles |
| 14 | Madison Dittmer | Aroha Glew | Indie Pinfold |
| 1 | Mila Dol | Samuel Shen | Kate Martin |
| 2 | Keegan Clark | Harley Salmon | Alisha Roberts |
| 3 | - | - | - |
| 4 | Victor McLeod | Millah Clark | Emily Campbell |
| 5 | Ella Pollard | Zac Kovaleski | Jasmine Miller |
| 6 | Zoe Whyman | Alyssa Mitchell | Joel Currie |
| 7 | Yiran Jiang | Reid McConnell | Cameron Marshall |
| 8 | Jack Ganley | Luke Campbell | Mollie Bourton |
| 9 | Lewis Bennett | Mya Kovaleski | Nikyla Kahiknight-Leef |
| 10 | Lauren Phillips Alexis Fink | Marcus Cuff Dylan Barlow | Phoenix Franks Sarita Williams |
| 11 | Lily Aitken | Jack Richdale | Keeva Winmill |

SPORTS CAMP PHOTOS



FEEDING THE MASSES

FUN IN THE SUN





It's Fun It's Easy It's For YOUR School Marshalling for the Hamilton Half Marathon

21 People still needed

8th October 2017

Horsham Downs School has the contract to provide Marshalls for the Hamilton Half Marathon. In return the school receives a donation of \$2500. Which is a great reward for a few hours of your time.

Marshalls will be given full instructions and are simply there to encourage everyone and make sure that the runners/walkers follow the course. It's easy and fun. No skills required. This is great way to give volunteer time to the school.

As a thank you, The Cook in Hamilton East provides all marshalls with half price food and drinks during the month of September.

Also needed. Volunteers willing to do a letter drop into residents letterboxes on the course at the end of September.

If you are willing to help, or need further information please contact

Leigh Tunnicliffe ph 027-4480380 or email l.benfield@xtra.co.nz

COMMUNITY CORNER—COMMUNITY BASED EVENTS AND PROMOTIONS

AG DAY TRAINEE JUDGES NEEDED

THE HAMILTON NORTH AGRICULTURAL GROUP require new trainee (associate) judges urgently for School Ag Day's in our area. Who can be a judge? - High school age upwards- anyone who is passionate about keeping this event alive- Parents; teenagers; grandparents; members of the community. If these Ag days are to continue, we need to have new people volunteering to be judges so that we have enough judges to attend schools Ag days in the future. We are especially short of lamb and goat judges.

The Hamilton North Group covers 8 schools:-

Gordonton, Horsham Downs, Puketaha, Horotiu, Te Kowhai, Rotokauri, Orini and Whitikahu School.

You will never be asked to judge at the school your child attends, or at the Gordonton School Group Day so you won't miss out on seeing your child compete.

What does it involve?

Judging is for such a short time during October each year and only for a few days. You will be paired up with experienced judges for a few hours for 1 to 2 days during October each year to gain experience at one of the above schools Ag Days and maybe also in another Groups area. It usually takes 3 years depending on how experienced you are. It is surprising how much knowledge an Ag Day parent or past Ag day pupil has and they would make an excellent judge. There is one judges training day in Sept each year to attend as well. Training days will have experienced judges attending to share their knowledge and ideas which is very valuable to the junior and associate judges coming through.

The Judges training days this year are as follows.

KIHIKIHI Tuesday 12th Sept 11am

MATAMATA Thursday 14th Sept 11am

CLAUDELANDS Sat 16th Sept 12.30

If you cannot make the training days or want more info on volunteering your time to become an Ag Day judge please phone Linda 021735582 for lamb and goat and Avril 0272873869 for calf.



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HEALTHY HOME BAKING

HEALTHY SWAPS

Halve the amount of butter or oil and replace with:

- Mashed banana
- Mashed canned peaches – drain off any juice
- Stewed apples – no added sugar
- Natural yoghurt

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