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Did you know there is a "Foodbank" in Hanmer Springs that has funds available to help those that are struggling at the moment. This Foodbank money has been made available from generous donations by the Hanmer Springs community. A Four Square grocery voucher will be given to those eligible. If you, or you know someone that lives in the Hanmer Springs community that may be eligible please email:

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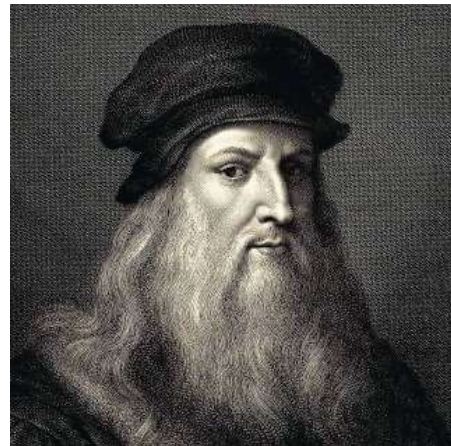
IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 111

trivia.

Quiz



1. What does the letter 'B' stand for in SCUBA?
2. Which invention, which involves fastening clothing, was patented in Chicago in 1913?
3. Its painter named this work of art *La Gioconda*, but it has a much more commonly-used name. What is it?
4. Which is furthest south, Orewa, Oban or Otaki?
5. What best selling children's toys do Steiff make?
6. Ikebana is the art of what?
7. At which airport did the Concorde crash, killing everyone on board?
8. Who or what is the famous 'El Gordo' of Spain?
9. Which singer, first name Tom, was knighted in 2006?
10. The death of which musician was responsible for Don McLean writing *American Pie*?
11. Rudi Giuliani was the Mayor of which city?
12. Which actor starred in three *Indiana Jones* and two *Star Wars* movies?
13. Who was the author of the *Game of Thrones* stories?
14. David John Cornwell wrote spy novels under which name?
15. Which instrument has either 46 or 47 strings?
16. Who had a hit with "Do You Know The Way to San Jose"?
17. What was David Bowie's real surname?
18. Which Bowie song contains the line "And the papers want to know whose shirts you wear"?
19. What was the former name of Belarus?
20. Beethoven's Piano Sonata Number 14 is usually know as..?
21. What was the subject matter in the film 'The Deer Hunter'?
22. What was Disney's first feature film - clue: there are eight people involved in the title?
23. In which decade were the Oscars first presented?
24. Johny Depp played which writer in 'Finding Neverland'?
25. In Hindu mythology which goddess is responsible for destruction and death?



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Letter from my travels.

In my last letter I mentioned I was going to have a quiet few days in Shanghai. Haha that was a mistake.

Shanghai is a Super City. 29,000,000 people. 6 times bigger than NZ. Plus millions of tourists both Chinese and international. In Hangzhou we saw no other Pakeha, in Shanghai it is the opposite. It is totally multicultural with every race, religion and type of national dress visible.

Our hotel, in the heart of the CBD, just a few hundred metres from The Bund and The Pearl Tower, fronts Nanjing Road. Quiet and peaceful, dimmed lighting, cool bars and restaurants and garden seating area. The calm before the storm.

As the front door opens allowing us to spill onto The Nanjing Road the peace is shattered. This Road is probably the busiest shopping street in the world. 5.5km of luxury retail. The pedestrian street resembles the cake tin roads after an All Blacks game. Thousands and thousands of pedestrians from 10am to 11pm. You can't walk in a straight line, you are constantly stop start with friendly jostling and good humour. Skilful whistling police guard our safety. It truly is organised chaos but it's exhilarating and adrenaline pumping.

The night sky is ablaze with colour, music and happiness. No drunken revellers, no aggressive males, just happy throngs. At 10pm the light shows are extinguished and there follows an orderly exodus to home and hotel.

In the Peace Hotel, and Art Deco monument of sheer history there is a basement Jazz Lounge and cocktail bar. Decadent luxury.

The Bund is the financial and economic centre of Shanghai and China. Huge tower blocks of the world banks, insurance companies and commerce jostle for finance, returns and entrepreneurship.

The river, the heart of this thumping city contains boats of every shape and size. Slow barges low on the water compete with cruise ships, floating restaurants, glorious neon sampans and imitation sharks with several hundred passengers revelling the night away.

The night sky and light shows viewed from the 29th floor roof top bar defies description. Lights of every colour in every direction are spectacular.

Our quiet few days came to an end all too quickly and we departed for our niece's wedding in Liverpool. Liverpool is very reminiscent of Shanghai as many of the old buildings in both cities share architects and construction genre from similar times.

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What is that?

The Hanmer Springs Mountain Bike Club are excited to announce the opening of their latest new MTB Trail – **CV Express** (Clarence Valley Express) following a great deal of hard work by its committee over the past year.

Where is it?

The trail starts at the northern end of Lucas Lane and provides an excellent, steady climbing route for MTB riders all the way to the Tank on Clarence Valley Road – about 3 km.

It is also a shared trail for walkers/hikers.

MTB uphill only

Hikers both directions

No horses please

Background

This trail is the first phase of a project that will allow MTB bikers and hikers to travel safely all the way up to Jacks Pass without being on the increasingly busy road.

It has involved significant fund-raising and the support of many people to make it happen. Currently the trail is open, but still under development. So we ask users to treat it gently, especially after rain. We are currently fund raising for gravel to be put on the surface.

The MTB community contribute a lot to Hanmer Springs.

Local MTB bikers volunteer their time to keep the trails running well.

Visitors MTB bikers are drawn to use them and then spend in the village, supporting local businesses (they are one of the biggest spender groups of tourists).

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Pinkie Report

Term 4 Week 3

Journalists - Amelia Saric, Rosie Abbott, Amelia Nelson, Sharnie Inglis, Charlie Bryant, Kiara Bratschi

Animal Park visit.

On Wednesday the Year 4s from Kereru went down to the Animal Park. We walked down through the forest as a fun, different and interesting way to get there. Once we arrived Kirsty handed us some food pellets to feed the emus and llamas, plants to feed the wallabies, a carrot for the donkeys, and a milk bottle for the lambs. We first saw the lambs, they were so cute and cuddly, and everyone wanted to hug them! Next we pretty much split up and me and some other kids went to the guinea pigs. They were so soft and playful, we fed them some food. Next we went to bunnies. They got some pellets, and they loved to play. Next came big bird alley. We were too nervous to feed the gigantic ostrich so we stuck with the emus. We walked over to Peppa pig, (a pig named Peppa, not the cartoon) and we watched as she rolled happily in the mud. Next stop, the goats! When we fed them they stuck out their wet slimy tongues to grab the pellets. Wallabies were next! The little one was new so it was a bit skittish but the big one was loving it! After a few more animals and watching sheep being sheared we gave Kirsty the cards we made her to say thanks. Then we had a play on the trampoline and the playground. After that it was a walk back to school, I had so much fun!

By Aaliya



Piwakawaka Writing.

Some of the Year 1 students in Piwakawaka class have been learning about the different NZ creatures that feature in the book 'The Midnight Adventures of Ruru and Kiwi'. They have written some facts about them.



Pekapeka (bats) are the only native land mammals in New Zealand. They live in caves.
Gecko have scales because they are reptiles. They are nocturnal.
Tuatara are cold blooded and have scales.

By Will.

Pepeketua are native frogs. They have round eyes.
Tuatara are reptiles and have scales.
Kākāpo are flightless parrots.
Gecko can climb on their sticky feet.

By Akshit.



Bats use radar for hunting and for finding their way.
Tuatara lived at the same time as the dinosaurs and are still alive today.
Pepeketua squeak instead of croaking. They are tiny frogs.
By Coby.

Bats live in caves. Bats are the only native land mammals in New Zealand.
Tuatara eat worms and moths. Tuatara live in burrows.
Kākāpo are flightless parrots in New Zealand. Kākāpo eat berries and plants.
Pepeketua (native frogs) have round eyes and they are hard to see.
Gecko have scales because they are reptiles. Gecko are nocturnal.
By Ruby.



Bats eat insects and beetles. They are nocturnal.
Pepeketua are hard to see because they blend in. They are tiny frogs.
By Eliza.

Bats live in caves and on the sides of the forest. They eat insects and beetles.
Tuatara eat worms and snails and beetles and flies and weta and spiders and moths. Tuatara live in burrows.
Kākāpo are flightless parrots that live in New Zealand. Kākāpo eat berries and plants.
Pepeketua have round eyes and they are hard to see. They eat grasshoppers.
Gecko have scales because they are reptiles. They have sticky feet.
By Iris.

Tui class artwork.



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Before I became the Pinkie editor I spent more than thirty years in the restaurant business, both as a chef and as front-of-house.

While the customers were in the restaurant and being served we were almost always the soul of politeness, kindness and consideration, but after they had all gone, while the buff was being put on the wine glasses, the cutlery being polished and tables set ready for tomorrow, was when the customer's name was likely to be taken in vain.

Not every customer wins the hearts and minds of the staff, who are probably toiling on minimum wage. These few examples are from personal experience.

There are a few customers who can be categorised at the top of the list of people we would prefer to never see again.

The finger-clickers are universally hated - if you need the waiter's attention just look at him/her and slightly raise your hand or nod to them. You are likely to get the creme de menthe over the white silk suit treatment if you finger-click at them or wave your hand in an exaggerated manner.

The dithering orderers are a source of great frustration. I'll have the empanadas, no, I won't I'll have the oysters, were they fresh in today, how many do you get, only six, then, no, I'll have the terrine, was it made here or bought in.... Invariably when this course is placed in front of the dithering diner, they say, no, I didn't order that, I ordered the mussels. And every chef will tell you how much he loathes having to stop and cook something that the diner couldn't remember - and it sets the whole restaurant and every other diner back by 20 minutes or more.

The special order nuisances are often people you know.. The ones who say, could you ask the chef to cook my steak with mushroom sauce (which is not on the menu and thus not prepared for). Could I have the garlic prawns without garlic or oil. And if you want the chef to prepare something special just for you, think about the messenger getting shot, because it is a brave waiter who takes that order to an under-pressure chef.

As for the people who declare themselves to have various food allergies or intolerances which includes gluten-free, vegetarians and vegans - every restaurant is happy to cater for these diners if they let the staff know in advance. I remember one customer who ordered a

meal that was to be vegan, but was not allowed to contain, onion, garlic, tomato, lettuce or any leafy greens and no grains or pulses and this was when we were struggling to feed some hapless diners during a power cut. Also diners, take note, about 6% of the world's population is gluten intolerant - in a restaurant situation that rises to about 20% and fifty per cent among the neurotic attention seekers. Gluten-free is a giant pain in the arse because nobody knows what has gluten and what doesn't (including the diner).

Bill-splitters don't come in very high in the popularity stakes either. I can recall a table of twelve wanting to individualise the bill. Divided by 12 would have been fine, but no, it was 'I shared an entree so I only want to pay half' and 'I didn't like that wine so I didn't drink it and ... One of your restaurant staff is going to be tied up at the till for 30 minutes, and always, always, always, when it comes to the last person to pay they get stuck

with a giant bill because all the items that others didn't want to pay for, remain to be paid. This usually generates another 30 minutes of lost time and people leaving disgruntled.

The spreader-outers are also a pain in the arse, they cover the table in paperwork, laptop computers, colouring books and crayons for the kiddies and often their personal water bottle. When the waiter arrives there is nowhere to put anything except a precarious corner.

Unruly children and messy eaters are also a nightmare. Some people seem to believe that being in a restaurant is synonymous with withdrawing attempts at manners and parental control. In one restaurant it required about half an hour to clean and reset the table where a family of four dined. Their children delighted in grinding rice into the carpet. And they said we were their favourite restaurant.

The diners who had an argument with their spouse before the evening even began are a delight to serve because they frequently take out their aggravations on the waiter. After all, it is their job not to answer back and they provide a wonderful opportunity to put someone in their place, a convenient receptacle for a dump of invective.

Good waiters are renowned for service that is skilful but relaxed, and warm without being fussy. Above all, the way they look after people reflects the culture and philosophy of the restaurant they are in.

This is my annual pre-summer appeal on behalf of the hospitality staff of Hanmer A plea to treat them with respect. It's not an easy job.



Events Calendar



OCTOBER '23

- 22 Family Event Remnant House
- 26-29 Hurunui Garden Festival
- 27 Hanmer Springs Fete
- 29 Amuri Lions Charity Golf 4some

NOVEMBER

- 2 & 3 Chitty Chitty Bang Bang Amuri Players 7pm
- 4 Chitty Chitty Bang Bang 2pm
- 4th Waiiau Fireworks
- 5 Shootout Golf Final
- 9,10, 11 Chitty Chitty Bang Bang 7 pm
- 18 Anglican Church Fete (if wet Sunday 19th)
- 18 BBQ with Lucky Koha Remnant House
- 19 Service with Lucky @ remnant House

DECEMBER '23

- 2 Alpine Marathon
- 11 Hanmer's little Big Band @ The Library 3-4pm
- 11 Hanmer's little Big Band @ The 5 Stags 5-6pm
- 9 Family Christmas Party Remnant House
- 16 Christmas Hamper Golf Tournament
- 17 Christmas Picnic in the Park & H S School Grounds
- 24 Special Christmas Service @ remnant House

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Results 26/10/2023

North / South – C Scrivener & J Pillidge
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GOLF RESULTS

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Waiau Fireworks Night

Saturday 4 November – gates open from 5pm.

This night is set to be a blast! Held in the Waiau Rugby Club Grounds with heaps of family-friendly entertainment – zorbs, ride-on jeeps and more. Tasty food stalls, live music and a fantastic fireworks display!

Entry \$10 cash per person with Under 5s free.
Postponement date is Sunday 5th. Follow the Waiau Fireworks Facebook page for updates.
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Call Joy 027 220 2511

SING & STRUM

Wednesday's during school terms

at the Primary School, 6.30 - 7.30pm.

For more information contact:

hanmermusicandarts@gmail.com

AQUACIZE

Thermal Pools Entrance

Monday Mornings 10am

Informal group. Will need aqua stick.

For more information contact:

Linda 021 223 8188

TUESDAY WALKERS

Tuesday morn walks in local forest area.

Approx 1.5 – 2 hours. Meet 9.45am at Jollies Pass Rd Forest Entry Car Park (by old DoC house).

More info Anne 021 277 7515

or Julian 021 148 2811

TRAMPING GROUP

Day tramps in local mountains and surrounding areas. Every Wednesday.

For more information contact:

Janet 021 103 4303

Mt Isobel Tramping Group

HANMER SPRINGS BIG BAND

Monday 7pm @ the School (during Term)

New members always welcome. You will need to read music or have a good ear.

Contact Marguerite 021 125 4062

Cost: FREE

MORRIS DANCING

Lots of laughs with some added exertion. Dancers and musicians welcome.

Sundays 7pm onwards

Contact John 021 395 022

COMBINED PROBUS CLUB HANMER SPRINGS

Meetings first Tuesday each month. Fun and Fellowship for the more mature.

To join or for more information contact:

Carolyn Hall 027 360 9001

Dennis Hall 021 294 1541

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Contact: The Hurunui District Council,

Nicola on 03 314 8816

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Available for hire for Community Groups, Meetings, worship, retreats etc.

Contact:

Shirley Whitaker 0274 161 415

REMNANT CHURCH NZ

Sunday 10am. All welcome.

Remnant House 108 Rippingale Rd

Children's Church & He Brews

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Phone 021 076 7236 for details

HANMER CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

31 Jollies Pass Road – Sundays 10am

1st and 3rd Sunday – Morning Worship

2nd and 4th Sunday – Communion

Tea & coffee after Sunday Service

Contact Jonathan Gardiner (Warden) 315 7925

or 0276 859 276

CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, HURUNUI

St Roch's Church 27 Amuri Ave.

Mass 5pm each Saturday.

Culverden Church Mass 6.30pm first















Sunday of each month & 2nd and 3rd

Saturday of each month.

USE **105** FOR POLICE NON-EMERGENCIES

Listings on these pages are FREE and are the responsibility of those listed to keep up-to-date.

Know your Plastic Codes as In Hurunui 1, 2 and 5 ONLY can be Recycled

Symbol	Acronym	Full name and uses
	PET 	Polyethylene terephthalate - Fizzy drink bottles and frozen ready meal packages.
	HDPE 	High-density polyethylene - Milk and washing-up liquid bottles
	PVC 	Polyvinyl chloride - Food trays, cling film, bottles for squash, mineral water and shampoo.
	LDPE 	Low density polyethylene - Carrier bags and bin liners.
	PP 	Polypropylene - Margarine tubs, microwaveable meal trays.
	PS 	Polystyrene - Yoghurt pots, foam meat or fish trays, hamburger boxes and egg cartons, vending cups, plastic cutlery, protective packaging for electronic goods and toys.
	Other 	Any other plastics that do not fall into any of the above categories. For example melamine, often used in plastic plates and cups.



HANMER SPRINGS TRANSFER STATION
637 Hanmer Springs Road

- **Tuesday: 10am to 2.00pm**
- **Wednesday: 10am to 2.00pm**
- **Friday: 10am to 2.00pm**
- **Sunday: 10am to 2.00pm**

- ★ Out of hours recycling facilities for paper, card, cans, plastics (types 1, 2 & 5 only), and glass bottles
- ★ Please ensure recycling is clean, loose and all lids are removed.
- ★ Soft plastics (i.e. those you can scrunch in your hand) are not recyclable and must be placed in the refuse.
- ★ Kerbside refuse and recycling collection – Monday 8am Only official refuse and recycling bags will be collected.
- ★ Clean paper, card, cans and plastics types (1, 2 & 5 only) can be recycled in official recycling bags. If in doubt – place it in the refuse to save contaminating recycling.
- ★ Non-complying bags and recycling bags containing glass and/or soft plastics will not be collected.

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