

Henderson Intermediate School

NEWSLETTER 14

Term 3 | Week 8 | Monday 10th September 2018

*Kia Ora.
It is Māori
Language
Week this
week.
Kia Kaha Te
Reo Māori*

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Kia Ora Talofa Guten Tag Bonjour Malo e le lei Kia Orana Fakalofa lahi atu Goeie Dag Sawadee Croeso Bula Fálite

Upcoming Events

SEPTEMBER

- 10 – Board of Trustees Meeting
- 10-16 – Māori Language Week
- 12 – Whānau Hui 7pm
- 12 – Out of Zone Ballot drawn
- 13 – Pasifika Celebrations Evening – 7pm
- 13-18 Out of Zone Ballot results notified
- 14 – Teacher Only Day – school remains open
- 17-20 Camp & EOTC Activities
- 19 – Girls League
- 23-29 – Chinese Language Week
- 25 – WZ Girls Basketball
- 26 – WZ Boys Basketball
- 27 – Chinese Culture Day at H.I.S
- 28 – Last day Term 3
Please click [HERE](#) to go to our website calendar

Kia ora Henderson Intermediate School Whānau

I hope this finds you all well.

Welcome to **Māori Language Week**. One of our staff said to me, every week is Māori Language Week and of course, it is. All our students learn a basic te reo programme and those who wish to be even more competent in te reo, can and do opt into our Bilingual Unit.

Over the last week all students have had the opportunity to go down to the **West Wave pool** and to try out new ways they have been taught to keep themselves **safe in water**. The instructor told staff that being safe in water and learning to swim are most certainly two different things. What I find very interesting is that even very strong swimmers can and do drown. I am very glad that all our students have now been through this very important programme.

Next week half the School head to **Camp** at **Finlay Park** and the other half will take part in an exciting week of various **EOTC activities**. This will be a wonderful week and I have no doubt that your children are in for a treat no matter which option they have chosen. The Board has subsidised every student so that both the Camp & EOTC students have had a contribution to their costs. Here's to a great week for all students.

Last week was **Tongan Language Week**. It was nice to hear the **Tongan National Anthem** in assembly. Children today are very lucky because they get to live alongside people from all over the world. We are as a country, all the richer for having others here who have chosen to come and live in this lovely country of ours. We learn much from each other! We grow and become better people because of what others bring and share with us.

The Value that we are focusing on this week is **Respectful**. We want our children to be respectful! To have respect for themselves, for others and for their environment.

Last week I was given a new little catch phrase that I want to share with you! **YOU DON'T MAKE MISTAKES...MISTAKES MAKE YOU!** Isn't this great. The one thing that we must teach our children to understand and to believe, is that making mistakes is the way we all learn. It is those mistakes that shape what we do next!

You can contact me anytime if the need arises. Call me at school or on my mobile 021 252 1383. If you want to come in and see me at School, you do not need an appointment to do so. Just come!

Noho ora mai! Stay well.

Warmest Wishes

Mrs Wendy Esera

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF STAFF AND BOARD



2019 China Trip – Selection has been made...

The selection for this trip was made today. Successful students will receive a letter to give to their families. As mentioned in the letter of interest that parents signed any decision made is final and no correspondence about selection will be entered into. This year there were 88 students wanting to go on this trip and only 20 places available.

REMINDER Teacher Only Day this Friday

14th September. Any students who cannot be supervised at home may attend. They will be supervised here at school.

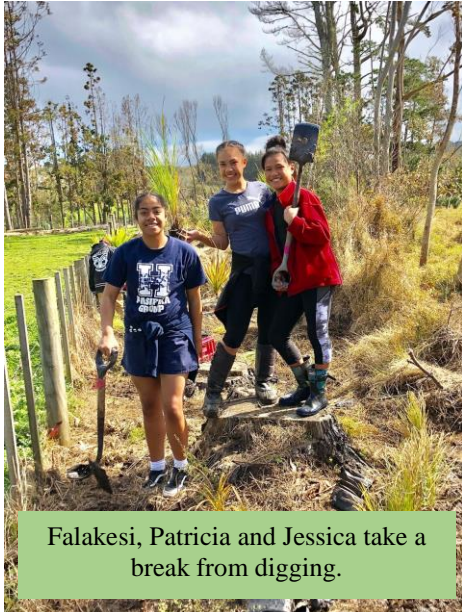
Teachers will be at school taking part in Professional Development that day.

SHOWCASING TREES FOR SURVIVAL

On Friday 31st August, a group of our Enviro Leaders who have been involved with **Trees for Survival**, visited a farm in **Muriwai Valley** to plant the native seedlings that we have been taking care of over the past few months.



The Trees for Survival Planting Team:
Falakesi, Jessica, Patricia, Navab, Feoto, Anna, Eva, Rishant & Amy



Falakesi, Patricia and Jessica take a break from digging.

When we arrived at the farm we paired up and each got a spade.

Gail, the Trees for Survival Field Officer and our Planting Day Coordinator, gave us a briefing about how and where to plant our seedlings.



Anna & Eva are having fun planting

The aim of Trees for Survival is to involve our young people in restoring natural habitats by helping landowners revegetate erosion prone land, improve streamflow and water quality and



Rishant gets stuck in!

The land where we planted was downhill but fortunately there had been a lot of rain recently, so the soil was very soft and quite easy to dig holes into, although we did have to avoid the roots!



Amy gets her hands dirty!



We dug out about 20 cm of soil so that we could plant our seedlings – **Carex virgata**, **harakeke**, **manuka** and **toetoe**. It was a lot of fun and hard work! We worked up such an appetite, thankfully the landowners had cooked us a delicious lunch! We look forward to doing some more planting again soon!

It's **Conservation Week** 15-23 Sept. Think about how you can take care of our environment!

Term Dates 2019

Term 1	Wednesday 30 th January	to	Friday 12 th April
Term 2	Monday 29 th April	to	Friday 5 th July
Term 3	Monday 22 nd July	to	Friday 27 th September
Term 4	Monday 14 th October	to	Wednesday 18 th December

Waitangi Day – 6th February

EASTER - Friday 19th April to Tuesday 23rd April

ANZAC Day - Thursday 25th April (during school holidays)

Queen's Birthday Holidays – Mon 3rd & Tues 4th June

Labour Day Holidays – Mon 28th & Tues 29th October

White Walls Art Programme *Art work around our School*

As mentioned in our last newsletter we are featuring a wonderful artwork which runs along Room 28's wall facing the netball courts. A group of our boys **Marino R9, Jason R7, Kaydn R11, Elisha R28, Zander R5 and Bronzson R8** created these painted tiles. They were asked to paint whatever they were inspired to paint. Well done boys!



Henderson Intermediate School



We warmly invite our Māori students and their whānau to our
Māori Whānau Hui
This **Wednesday 12th September 7pm**

Students who attend go into a draw for a special voucher and whānau who attend can place their name in the draw for a grocery voucher

HENDERSON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Warmly invites you to join us
for our

PACIFIC ISLAND CELEBRATIONS EVENING

This **Thursday 13th September 7pm**

Bring the whole family

Everyone who attends will go into a draw to win a grocery voucher

SCHOOL DISCO
Thurs
27th
Sept
6.30pm
to
8.30pm
Cost \$2
- pay at the door
The theme is
NEON



School Uniform - The School Office is still selling White Polo Shirts \$20 – sizes 8, Small, 2XL & 3XL
We also have some sizes available of our new Blue School Shirt \$39 – sizes 8, 10, Med, Large & 2XL
For all other uniform purchases please order at www.argyleonline.co.nz (see the school office if you need help with this)

2018 Netball Season @ Te Pai Courts

Henderson Intermediate had a successful netball season in 2018. Participation numbers were up from last year with nine teams being involved. All players can be proud of their season as each team responded to their own challenges with success. After two rounds of matches and some interesting weather that made some games a real challenge we were fortunate enough to have seven teams qualify for semi finals; with four teams involved in finals.

Congratulations to:

Year 7A Waitemata 1st in Grade 1 Year 7 Te Henga 1st in Grade 6

Year 8 Ka Whiwhita 1st in Grade 3 Year 8 Ka Whakakoha 1st in Grade 4

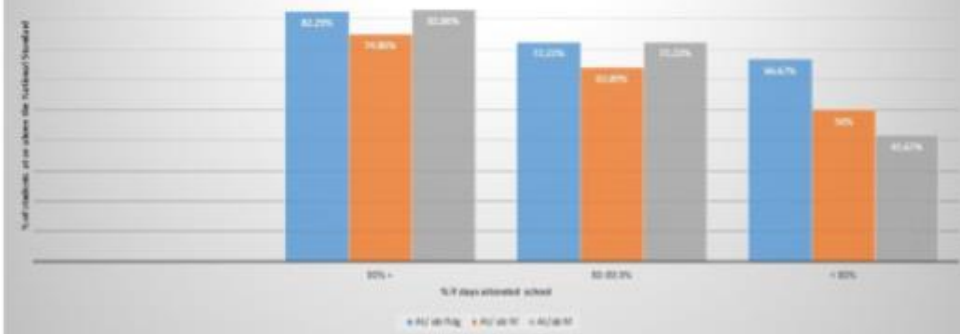
Thank you to our coaches, managers, supporters and parents for your wonderful commitment to our netball teams this year.

I am proud of how our teams represented our school and enjoyed watching the wonderful spirit in which they played their games. **Kieran Paterson**



EVERY DAY COUNTS

School absence and achievement



We want your child to succeed and grow up to have a wonderful life.

Every day your child is at school counts. Here is data from 2016 showing the children who achieved the highest in National Standards were those who were at school for 90% of the time or better. ...less than 20 days (4 weeks) away for the year!

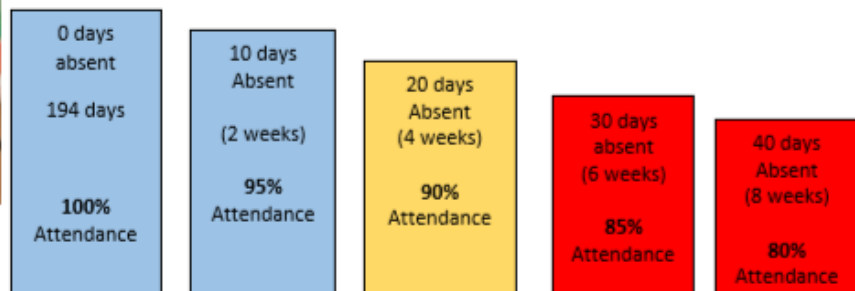
If I'm not here, I can't learn.



Good attendance means.....

Being at school at least 95% of the time (184-194) days a year...or no more than two weeks absent across the year.

There are 365 days this year and 194 of these are school days. That leaves 171 days for holidays, shopping, birthday treats and non-urgent medical appointments.



Good attendance
Likely to succeed



Poor attendance
Learning at risk

Even coming to school on time matters. Our school begins at 8.50am. We know getting children out of bed, fed and off to school can be a challenge so here are some great places to find ideas to help you.

<https://parents.education.govt.nz/primary-school/your-child-at-school/making-sure-your-child-attends-school-every-day/>

<http://sacscip.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/Attendance-Tips-For-Parents.pdf>

<https://www.kiwifamilies.co.nz/articles/school-attendance-and-truancy/>

Henderson Intermediate School wants children to stay home when they are sick but be at school the rest of the time.

Good time keeping means...

...making sure your child is at school and ready to learn, before the school bell rings!

Did you know? – being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing two weeks of school?



Every School Day Counts..

..but every minute is equally important

Be cool at school!