



Henderson Intermediate School

NEWSLETTER 15

Term 3 | Week 10 | Monday 24th September 2018

Ni Hao!
This week is
Chinese
Language
Week

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

Upcoming Events

SEPTEMBER

23-29 – Chinese Language Week

24 – WZ Girls & Boys Basketball

27 – Chinese Culture Day at H.I.S

27 – Disco at school

**28 – Last day Term 3
School closes at 2.50pm**

OCTOBER

15 – Term 4 begins

18 – WZ Volleyball

19 – Fiji / Niue Language Weeks celebrated at assembly

23 – Labour Day – school closed

Please click [HERE](#) to go to our website calendar

Kia ora Henderson Intermediate School Whānau - I hope this finds you all well.

Our **EOTC Week** was a great success. Students who travelled to the Finlay Park Adventure Camp loved their time away and the students who stayed at school and took part in a variety of different activities, thoroughly enjoyed their week also.

Today began with a hugely special celebration as we opened our **whare wānanga** at a dawn ceremony this morning. This exciting new learning space will be enjoyed by every student in the school. Every class will be timetabled to have their own time in this specialist learning area of our School. If you were not able to make it to the opening this morning, do not hesitate to come down to school and we will be very happy to show it to you.

This week is **Chinese Language Week**! At our School, the Chinese Language is taught every week. By the end of the School year, every student in our School would have had Mandarin lessons. We love languages and we know that learning a language is giving our children those extra special skills in their “tool box of life” that will be helpful in their future lives.

On Thursday our end of term **DISCO** will be happening in the School hall. The cost is now only **\$2.00** and this is to give all our children the chance to come along. Start time is 6.30pm and it will finish at 8.00pm. These are always special times for our children. I do ask that you please pick your child up from the School hall promptly at 8.00pm

This Friday school closes at the usual time of 2.50pm and the school holidays begin. Have a good holiday break with your children as they recharge for Term 4!

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



**All students must wear their school hat next term and again in term one 2019.
Caps and bucket hats are available from the school office - \$16.**



HENDERSON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

We are now only taking **In Zone** Enrolments for 2018 & 2019.

Click [HERE](#) to print off an enrolment form.

Our Out of Zone ballot was drawn under Police Supervision on Wednesday 12th September and all Out of Zone applicants have been contacted with the results.

The last day of the school year for H.I.S is **Wednesday 19th December**

SCHOOL DISCO
Thursday 27th Sept
6.30pm to 8.00pm
Cost \$2
Bring your permission slip with you and pay at the door.
The theme is
NEON



Showcasing Our New Whare Wānanga

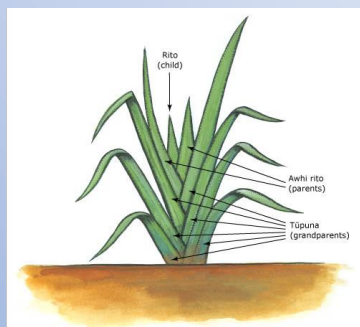
We are proud to announce the opening of our new **whare wānanga** at Henderson Intermediate School. This momentous occasion began with a dream and an opportunity for our school to not only acknowledge the many cultures we have, but to first and foremost, acknowledge the bicultural nature of our school and our society here, in Aotearoa, New Zealand.



The dream to have a whare in our school, has been an ongoing one. From the staff to the many Māori students who have graced us with their presence over the years, having a whare acknowledges the ongoing commitment we have, at Henderson Intermediate, for Māori culture and heritage.



Our kaumatua, **Kara Pio Jacobs**, had a dream, where he stood in front of a whare at Henderson Intermediate. This whare wasn't just a whare for Māori, but a whare that acknowledged all, and the name that hung atop the doors to the whare was TE RITO PŪMANAWA.



In essence the word RITO refers to the centre shoot, young centre leaf of the harakeke or new harakeke shoot. Our kaumatua likens our ākonga, students, to Te Rito. The word PŪMANAWA in this case means the 'heart beat'. Again, our kaumatua likens our ākonga as well as all staff to the 'heartbeat' of the educational journey here at H.I.S.



Ākonga are nurtured, as is the 'new centre shoot of the harakeke' within the realm of education, they are the 'heart beat' and the reason that we are here.



We also acknowledge the efforts of our Board Chair, Mr Ron Crawford, and our Principal, Mrs Wendy Esera, who had the foresight and the 'can do' attitude, to make our kaumatua, our staff, and the many Māori students' dream come true.



Ahakoā ngā tini mātāwaka, kua ū mai ki uta, ki te kura takawaenga o Waitākere.
Ngā tini maunga, ngā tini awa, ngā tini marae, o tēnā hapū, o tēnā iwi.
Kua tau mai ki runga i a tātou, ngai Māori mā, he whare, hei kāinga rua
mō tātou e noho taone ana.

Nā reira, e te iwi Māori, nei rā tātou e koke nei i tēnei ao kikokiko. Hanatū, hoake tātou.

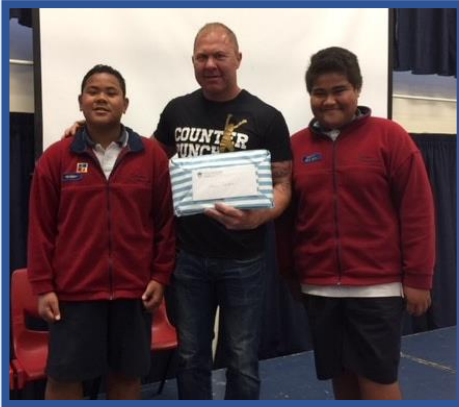
This term, we have looked at designing a feature wall for the back of our whare wānanga, which will acknowledge the many iwi that we have at our school, and also acknowledge the mana whenua of Ngāti Whatua. To the left is a sample of what these pou will look like.

School Uniform at H.I.S

Correct school uniform is expected to be worn by all students at school, on school trips and while walking to and from school.

If your child is not able to wear correct uniform please send a note to school with your child to be handed to Mrs Wylde or Miss Thumath in the School Office so that your child may be issued with a uniform pass.

SCHOOL FEES - Thank you to those families who have paid these for 2018. **Tech / Specialist fees \$100 per year** - These fees are compulsory and are to be paid by every student in the school. If you haven't yet paid please pay at the school office or by online banking (please use this account for all school payments) ASB 12-3039-0278986-00. Ref: Student's name - Room - Tech Fees **School Donation \$50 per year** - as this is a donation we really appreciate it when families can pay this. Did you know that you can claim 1/3rd of this back as a tax rebate? Ask at the school office if you need a tax receipt and then click **HERE** to connect to the IRD website to download a claim form.



Shane Cameron, a NZ Boxing Champion came to speak to HIS students on Friday, September 21st.

He talked about his own journey and shared his 5 tips for life to encourage students to never stop learning and to always get back up and keep trying when there are setbacks.

The students really enjoyed his visit and had lots of questions for him. He is pictured here with our head boys, Jonathan and Wesley.

Earlier this term, **Sport Waitakere** participated in the **Million Dollar Mission** to raise money for sports equipment for local schools.

Votes were cast by email and our students voted every day. The amount of sports gear we received at our assembly last Friday was amazing and we are very grateful.

H.I.S students love sport and to be given brand new gear is fantastic!

Our Sports Coordinator, Mr Paterson can't wait to get it all into the PE shed and out to classes to enjoy.



Thank you Sport Waitākere & the Million Dollar Mission!

WELL DONE JOSH - ROOM 6 "The sport I really love is go karting. I got my first kart November 2017. On the weekend of the 30th of June and the 1st of July I represented H.I.S in Go Kart Racing.

The Saturday was practice day, there were approximately 20 racers in my class of engine. It was a fine sunny day so the track was dry which allowed me to get heat into the tyres and this helps the kart stick to the track.

Sunday was race day and there were 24 in my class of engine. The day began cold but sunny so the track was colder than the Saturday, so it was harder to get heat into the tyres.



the track which gave me a 19th placing for that race. For the 4th and final race I was racing really well which gave me a position placing of 15th".

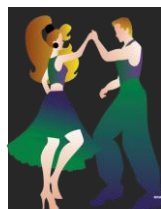


For the first race I had new tyres and they were very slippery until they had scrubbed off a little. It was hard to keep my kart on the track. The second race my tyres were scrubbed up and ready to race hard. I did really well and got my best official time of 33.72 seconds for a lap of the track.

From then on it started to rain and we had to change to wet tyres. In the third race karts were sliding off the track but luckily, I stayed on

Change of Student Contact Details

Please contact the school office if your address / phone number / email address has changed.
Phone or text 838 8529 / 0210759095 or
Email: office@hendersonint.school.nz



YEAR 8 GRADUATION DANCE
THURSDAY 6TH DECEMBER
7PM TO 10PM

KEEP THIS DATE FREE!

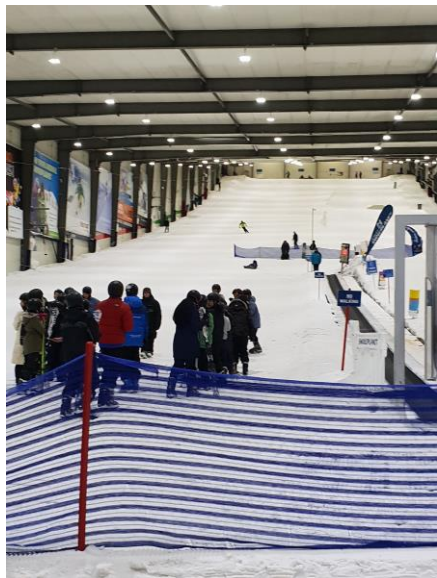


Our Chinese Language Week Ahead...

To celebrate this special week there will be a medley of Chinese dance and folk song performances given by **Minzu University of China Performers** in the school hall **this Tuesday morning**.

To celebrate this year's Moon Festival and Chinese Language week we will also have a cultural day in the gym on **Thursday** – this is open to everyone. Students need to complete a couple of challenges to practice their Chinese and to experience Chinese culture, and they will have the chance to win dumplings and mooncakes at the end. *Come along and join us on that day!*

EOTC Week @ H.I.S



Everyone dressed in their warmest winter clothes and donned waterproof gear to step out onto the snow at **Snow Planet last week. Students and staff alike enjoyed the excitement of playing around in the snow – not something everyone gets a chance to do in our warmer climate.**



Camp Finlay @ Lake Karapiro

Our Henderson Intermediate School camp at Finlay Park Camp, Lake Karapiro was a great success.

Students had fun, were challenged, and learned to work together.

Here is a snapshot of our students having fun in kayaks. More to follow in the next newsletter....

