

# Henderson Intermediate School

## NEWSLETTER 3

Term 1 | Week 5 | Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020

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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

#### MARCH

**TODAY & 10 – Y8**

*Netball Trials*

*3.15pm to 4.45pm*

**9 – Class & Individual**  
*photos taken*

**10 – WZ Girls' Softball @**  
*Brains Park*

**5 & 12 – Y7 Netball Trials**  
*3.15pm to 4.45pm*

**12 – WZ Boys' Softball @**  
*Brains Park*

**13 – School Athletics Day**

**17- WZ Swimming @**  
*Westwave*

**19 -School Disco**

**23 – GRIP Student**  
*Leader Conference*

**30 – Bike Safety begins**  
*for Y7 students*

**31 - Auckland Zone Tag**

#### APRIL

**1 - Whānau Hui – 7pm**

**2 – Pacific Island**  
*Celebration evening 7pm*

Click [here](#) to view our  
School Calendar

### Kia ora Henderson Intermediate School Whānau

I hope this finds you well. Wasn't it good to get a bit of rain last week to water our poor field and gardens.

**MEET THE TEACHER** - Thank you very much for the great turnout we had to our **"Meet the Teacher"** Evening. Teachers really enjoyed having the time to chat with you all, and to share with you what you can expect from them this year. This evening was the start of our engagement with you for the new school year. Our doors are open at all times! Teachers in our School know that when parents are engaged with the school their children have success. We want every learner to have success in our place.

**SWIMMING** - Last Friday saw many of our students take part in our **Swimming Sports** at Westwave Pools. This event was for students who want to compete in future school swimming events.

**NETBALL** - This week we have our **Year 7 & 8 Netball Trials (Today Y8 and Thursday Y7)**. It is really important that, if your child wants to play netball, they must show up to these trials. If for any reason they cannot make it, you need to contact **Kieran Paterson** and let him know.

**RESILIENCY** - This Friday we have **William Pike** as a guest speaker at our assembly. He is well known and will be talking with our children about **resiliency**. This is the topic of our inquiry this term. Last Friday students had a presentation about digital resilience. This is so important as children need to learn how to cope with the digital world!

**SCHOOL PHOTOS** - Next Monday our **School Photos** will be taken. All students are to be in their correct **school uniform** please.

**SOFTBALL** - Our girls and boys softball teams are training hard at the moment, getting ready to take part in West Auckland Tournaments next week.

**ATHLETICS DAY** - Next Friday March 13<sup>th</sup>. Come along and enjoy the fun. This is a huge day. As well as sorting out our top athletes we also have some fun things happening too. Children dress up in their House Colours! (So do staff!!!!)

**OUR SCHOOL VALUE** - The Value that we are focussing on right now is **RESPONSIBLE**. We want our children to be responsible for themselves, for their behaviour and for their learning.

### Have a GREAT week.

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.**

**Manuia le aso! Have a good day.**

**Warmest Wishes**

**Mrs Wendy Esera**

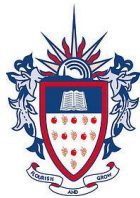
**FOR AND ON BEHALF OF STAFF AND BOARD**

### Goal Setting Meetings - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April

We invite all parents and caregivers to attend a meeting with their child and their class teacher on either of these evenings in April. Please add this to your diary now.

You will be given more information closer to these dates about how to book your 10 minute appointment time. Times available will be between 3.15pm & 5.30pm.

If you are unable to attend you may contact your child's class teacher to make a time to see them at a later date.



## 2020 Year 8 School Camp at Finlay Park Camp

Forms went home to Year 8 students last week inviting students to attend this camp from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September. Cost \$300.

Please return your permission slip to the School Office with your \$40 deposit. You may pay the balance in full or over the year via internet banking, cash or EFTPOS/Credit Card. Any queries please email **Christine** in accounts. **Our school account is: ASB 12 3039 0278986 00**

A list letting you know what is needed at camp will go home closer to the camp date.

### HOUSE PRIDE @ H.I.S

When a student enrolls they are placed into a House – **GREEN, RED, BLUE & GOLD** - and are awarded house points for anything positive they do - such as great behaviour or great work. The points are collected each week and the House winner is announced every assembly. The following week that House flag flies on our flagpole under the NZ flag. The **winning house** for **each term** gets a **free mufti day** so this is fiercely competed for.

Last week our House groups met to practice their house chants. Strong student voices resounded around the school and the result was some very creative chants which will be used to support Houses at competing events this year.

**We have House coloured badges for sale in the school office. Display your House colour with pride - \$2 each.**

### Student Achievement Congratulations to:



**Ashton R32** who represented the Waitakere Bears at the United Airlines U16 National Baseball Championships recently.



**Mikaera R7** who achieved **Most Valuable Player** for the Auckland U13 Girls NZ Rookie Softball North Island Championships in Lower Hutt mid-February.



Well done to **Anahera R10** who also took part in this softball event.

### Swimming Sports

Here are the results from last Friday's swimming sports. Well done to all students who participated and a special congratulations to these students ...

Year 7 Girls:	Year 7 Boys:
1 <sup>st</sup> – Dakota Rm30	1 <sup>st</sup> – Timani Rm29
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Hayley Rm17	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Jordan Rm28
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Holly-Kate Rm29	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Kydan Rm32
4 <sup>th</sup> – Taihana Rm9	
Year 8 Girls:	Year 8 Boys:
1 <sup>st</sup> –Hinerapanui Rm7	1 <sup>st</sup> - Caleb Rm3
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Jaden Rm6	2 <sup>nd</sup> - Jonathan Rm17
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Maia Rm18	3 <sup>rd</sup> - Zach Rm28
4 <sup>th</sup> – Kendra Rm20	
<b>OVERALL HOUSE WINNERS:</b>	<b>Relay: Teachers</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> <b>BLUE</b> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> <b>Red</b>	<b>RED</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> <b>Gold</b>	



### DON'T FORGET!

Class & Individual photos will be taken here at school next Monday 9 March. A notice came home with students last week explaining when & how to order these.

### Updating Your Contact Details

A reminder that if your contact details change please let our School Office know so that we may contact you when needed. Thank you!





# Showcasing ~ Team 1 ~ Rooms 3, 4, 5 & 6

Team 1 have started this year off demonstrating their willingness and determination to work hard and experience success in their learning. Our classrooms are all looking fantastic and are beginning to be filled with examples of your children's work.

## Room 3...

...students designed these wonderful and detailed hoodies as a form of sharing information about themselves. A lot of details and a pop of colour was added to capture the attention



from our peers and whānau. Each student shared amazing things about themselves. From their age, birthplace, and culture, to what they would do for the world if they have the chance to change something. You can find our colourful clothes line of hoodies hanging above our class for all to see.

## Room 4...

...have completed a Math Statistics activity to get to know each other's birthdays.

After displaying the data, students made "I notice" statements and asked "I wonder questions" about the data. They also extended these statements to include some Algebraic equations. Each birthday cake represents a student or teacher and their House group. We are very proud of our display.



## Room 5...

...our first Inquiry topic for the year is 'Resilience'.

Throughout the school and within Room 5 we are discussing what it means to be resilient. All classrooms received a resource from SchoolKit and are using it to support students in their growth to becoming more **Resilient & Self Confident**.



## Room 6...

...knows that coming together as a community of learners begins with identifying who we are...

*Our identity - Interests - Aspirations for 2020*

Writing at H.I.S has a strong emphasis of "writing is taught as just writing": Students learn the skills of composition - It must be composed, it must have a structure and a cohesive organisation.

### All about me

Assalamualaikum, Annyeonghaseyo, Kia ora. My name is Eliyah and I was born on June 18th 2008 in Waitakere hospital. I'm the oldest child. I have 2 sisters called Aizah and Aminah. They are 5 and 9 years old. My birthday is 1 day after my sister Aminah's birthday, but we were born in different years!

Reading is one of my favourite things to do. My favourite kind of genre is mystery and adventure. I love reading books because it's like watching a movie on a screen even though my eyes are on the page. I love the feel of the pages and the nice tiny black words that are spread across the page. At home I have a kindle that allows me to read a book without even turning a page - (it's sort of like a mini tablet). On the weekends I love going to the beach with my family. My favourite beach is Muriwai beach and I've only ever been there once but it was the best time ever. I love the enormous waves that literally curl right over me. The sand is just normal average salty sand but the part I love the most about the beach is the water! Sometimes if you stand in the water for over 5 seconds the sand and water will drift you backwards!

My goal for 2020 at HIS is to get better at maths so I can answer decimal questions really fast. I'd like to get better at sports because I'm not really that active. Throughout this year I want to make lots of long lasting friends. One of my hopes for this year is to learn how to play the piano and the guitar so I can play lots of songs.

Recognising that learners often "don't know what they don't know", teacher-generated questions lead learning and responses in a way that develops confidence in both content knowledge and writing skills.

Teachers co-construct topics with students, who use the skills they have amassed in order to brainstorm a plan, draft ideas, develop purposeful sentences that form paragraphs, edit, re-craft and publish written responses over the year. As part of evidence of their portfolio of work.





# Online Safety



This Term we are focussing on online safety: how to keep ourselves safe online. We will be posting information regularly in our newsletter to help our school community understand how to help their kids use technology safely and in a positive healthy way. If you would like any support on managing this in your home please do not hesitate to contact the School for more information. We are here to help.

## 7 TIPS FOR PARENTS AND WHĀNAU

The following tips are designed to enhance your digital parenting knowledge and have been developed with parents in mind.

1. Understand: Read about the potential online risks, challenges and sometimes illegal behaviour young people face to understand what may happen
2. Learn: Ask your child about what they do, how they use devices and who they talk to learn about their activities. Check in regularly to see what has changed
3. Explore: Take the time yourself to explore the sites, apps and technologies your child uses to improve your knowledge and understand their experience
4. Agree: Create a family code with your child to agree on what they can do online including sites to visit, appropriate behaviours, privacy settings and limits
5. Start: Recognise each child has unique needs, but some online safety concepts are universal. Start by teaching yours the Five tips to help your child thrive
6. Model: Be a good example to your child. Make sure you role model the sort of behaviours you want to see your child use online and offline
7. Plan: Make a plan so everybody knows what to do if something goes wrong and where you will be able to get advice and support in challenging times



Online safety for New Zealand

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/online-safety-for-parents/>

## Our New Classrooms

We are very excited as the time of their completion draws nearer. Teachers & students of Rooms 30, 31 & 32 are all ready to move in this Friday. We will have a dawn ceremony to bless and open the new classrooms at 5.30am this Friday.



### Access to Learning Links on our School Website

Sometimes we get requests from parents and caregivers for schoolwork they want their children to do while their child is recovering from an illness at home for an extended period of time or maybe travelling during school time. Please click [HERE](#) to see links on our School Website which can provide you with this schoolwork – new links will be added as they become available.

## Community Notices



**Kiwi Skate Day**  
Come along and get some skates on!

**When:** Saturday 7th March  
**Where:** Trusts Arena  
**Time:** 6pm to 8.30pm  
**\$10 per person or \$25 Family**

**Black Grace** at Zeal Henderson  
27 March @ 7.30pm  
**Door Sales:** \$20 - Tickets available 1 hour to showtime.

Black Grace is one of NZ leading contemporary **dance companies**. Come along to see Versus – a collection of short dance works inspired by & dedicated to life in Tamaki Makaurau.

### Need a Tutor?

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