

Henderson Intermediate School

NEWSLETTER 7

Term 2 | Week 9 | Monday 22nd June 2020

Term Two ends
on Friday 3rd July.
School finishes at
the usual time
2.50pm.
School reopens
Monday 20 July.

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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

JUNE

22 & 23 – Bike Safety @
school Rm 29 & 31

24 & 25 – Bike Safety
R14

JULY

3 – Last day of Term 2

20 – Term 3 begins

27 – Board of Trustees
Meeting

28 & 30 – Parent
Interviews

31 – Red Nose Day

AUGUST

4 – Trees for Survival
Planting Day – SD 6th

7 – Riding for the disabled
Fundraiser at school

28 – Daffodil Day
fundraiser

SEPTEMBER

8 – Pacific Island
Celebration Evening

10 – Whānau Hui 7pm

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

Kia ora Henderson Intermediate School Whānau

I hope this finds you all well.

Last Friday was our very first **full school assembly** since we went into lockdown. It was so lovely to have everyone together in the hall again. There is something special about us all being together. We come from different families, different backgrounds but when we walk in the gates of Henderson Intermediate, we are quite simply “whānau”, we are family!

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

The Board meeting last week has given us lots of exciting things to share with you all. Our Board are very keen to provide opportunities for students that will help them with a feeling of well-being and happiness. The Board are very aware that for our children, the whole pandemic situation has no doubt been an anxious time for them. Early next term all students will be having a special treat, a special outing to one of our own local Auckland Tourist destinations.

The Board are going to fully fund this. Isn't this fantastic.

In the next week our Head Students will go out and look at a possible new **playground extension**. Our students have asked for this and James Christie on our Board, has been beaver away getting quotes and ideas for what we might get.

The Board are also going to be doing a further **upgrade to two rooms**, one being the **Design Room** and the other being the **old Room 30**.

The Ministry of Education has now gone out to tender on the big upgrade to the **Rooms 7 – 10 Block**. This will become a new block of 5 classes with a lovely withdrawal space. Our **Māori and Samoan Bilingual Units** will be in this wonderful new area. The plans at this stage are that the building work will start in September and be completed for the start of the new school year.

In the Board meeting, the **Concerns & Complaints Policy** was reviewed. This is included in this newsletter. The Board feels the time has come to make real changes to this policy. The revised policy states that parents cannot come into School and go to classes to see students or staff without an appointment. The Board are passionate about the safety and well-being of both staff and students. As a part to this too, the Board are having security cameras installed around the School. I am sure you will understand and appreciate this.

EXCITING STUDENT EVENTS

This Friday our school will host the **Auckland Regional Samoan Speech Contest**. This will be a video presentation which is a change from the usual packed hall. Mrs Toni Fa'aletatau, Head of our Samoan Bilingual Unit, tells me we have one Year 7 and two Year 8 entries, which is exciting for us. Next term we also have two of our students entering the **Auckland Cook Island Dance Competition**. Mrs Dawn Hauraki who manages this group, is feeling very excited as are we all! Our **Kapa Haka** are getting underway now with their intense training schedule ready for the Auckland Regional Kapa Haka Festival. Matua Hone, Whaea Rongomaiwahine and Whaea Ernestine are fired up for this exciting event too.

We are all looking forward to **Netball** which begins in Term 3. This year we have 5 more teams competing. This has meant that we have had to buy more uniforms as well.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Our Teaching Team are doing some **professional learning** around students in the middle years. This is revision for our very capable teaching team.

I love the information this resource gives us, information like the important role family has! “Parents **that focus on the positives and encourage their**



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Newsletters, School
Contact details and
Absence Notifications
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Google or iPhone App
store.

BUYING LUNCH AT SCHOOL

Don't forget that students must order lunch in their class before school as the School Canteen is not open for usual morning tea & lunch sales.

COME TO SCHOOL FOR BREAKFAST

Available from our Food Tech room each school day from 7.30am. All H.I.S students welcome!

child to work on areas of weakness, have children who have high self-esteem."

The School Value we are focussing on this week is **PROUD**. We want our children to be proud of themselves: who they are, their family, their ethnicity. Pride in self is enormously important. Let's all encourage our children to have pride!

You can contact me anytime if the need arises. Call me at school or on my mobile 021 252 1383 to make an appointment. I may even be able to see you that very same day!

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

Year 8 Camp & Sports Camp - Refunds

As mentioned in our last newsletter both these camps have unfortunately been cancelled. Families who had paid towards these camps should have received a refund form to complete and return to Christine in accounts via the school office.

You may also opt to credit the amount you have paid to another school cost i.e. netball or water polo. If you haven't as yet done this please do this asap.

Access to our School during school hours. We

ask all visitors to our School to sign in at the School Office. If you wish to see your child we will call them to the Office. If entering our School grounds you are required to display a visitors pass, and then sign out when leaving. Please do not go directly to your child's classroom.

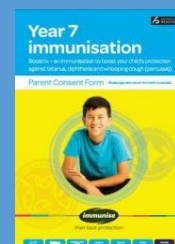


H.I.S Children's Community

Dental Clinic:

The Dental Clinic is situated at the back of our school with its entrance on Fairdene Avenue and is available to children between 0-18 years old. If you have previously given enduring consent for your child to be seen by their service they will obtain your child from their classroom to examine their teeth. As always they will gain consent from you if your child requires treatment. **They kindly ask that you do not present to the clinic if you don't have an appointment booked.** This is because they need to ask all parents/caregivers and patients COVID-19 questions over the phone before booking an appointment. This is to protect their staff and other patients. Community, patient, and staff well-being is paramount and they respect and adhere to all infection control guidelines stipulated by the Ministry of Health & Dental Council NZ, including Personal & Protective Equipment (PPE).

All visitors to the Dental Clinic are to please use the Fairdene Avenue entrance and park in the Dental Clinic car park.



YEAR 7 IMMUNISATION FORMS.

These are now overdue. If you have one at home please complete and return it to the school office tomorrow. **All YEAR 7 students need to return a completed form to school whether they are having this immunisation done at school or not.**

Chess @ H.I.S Mr G (R5) & Ms Pepe (R31) are planning an in-school Chess competition next week and have been thrilled with the interest students have shown. Students have been competing in preliminary rounds leading up to this exciting competition.

Good luck everyone.



Thank you to all families who have paid their child's \$70 netball fee for this upcoming season.

If you haven't yet paid you have until this **Friday**

26th to do so. You may pay at the School Office or via internet

ASB 12 3039 0278986 00 Ref: Child's Name, Room, Netball.

Netball teams please check our school's morning notices each morning for information about practice times here at school.

Te Atatu Roosters Rugby League –

Te Atatu Peninsula.

U14 Girls

interested in playing league contact Leeann

teaturugbyleague@gmail.com or

PH: 02108161279

lee_tuk80@hotmail.co.nz

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OPEN EVENING

Thurs 23rd July – 6.30pm

DAYTIME TOURS

Tues 28th & Thurs 30th July

Tues 4th & Thurs 13th August

9.00am or 10.00am

Daytime Tours – Bookings Essential

To book: ph 8367890 or

secretary@waitakerecollege.school.nz

42 Rathgar Road, Henderson

Showcasing Team 4 Rooms 19, 20, 28 & 29

Team 4 have had a busy few weeks since returning to school after Lockdown. Check out what they have been doing...

Room 28 Music – Ukulele

By Giada and Krish

After Lockdown had ended, we were lucky enough to have Ms Ma'asi in our class for the next few weeks. During that time we learnt a whole bunch of things about the Ukulele instrument; such as chords, the history about it, and lots of songs. We were also introduced to [Incredibox](#) which was so much fun.



At the end of the 2 weeks with Ms Ma'asi, we performed with the whole class and then with small groups. For the performance, we had a Zoom call with Team 4. We performed for them, and they performed for us which was lots of fun!

Here is the [LINK](#) to the performances.



Room 19

Samoan Language Week

Our Class made siapo (tapa cloth) using paper.

On the Friday of Samoan Language Week we shared our work to our team via zoom.



GO NZ!

Our topic for this term is GO NZ! In Room 19 we have been looking at towns and cities around New Zealand. Here are some of our Inquiry learning displayed on our classroom wall.

Room 20 display their musical ability – they enjoy time in the School Choir and learning the ukulele with teacher Dawn Hauraki.



Some of Room 20 students in the School Choir. The choir practises every Friday morning in the Music room.

Join our school ukulele group
Our school ukulele group starts again in Term 3.
You don't have to know how to play, you just need to be a keen member of the group and willing to participate in school performances and the end of year Ukulele Festival.





HENDERSON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL - CONCERNS AND COMPLAINTS POLICY

Caregivers cannot under any circumstances go down to classrooms to address staff or students regarding a concern or complaint. This is in line with Board Health and Safety.

Breaches of this may result in a Trespass Order being served.

Stage One: School Community Process.

CAREGIVER HAS A CONCERN ABOUT SOMETHING HAPPENING AT H.I.S. Caregiver makes an appointment with the staff member concerned and discusses the issue.

↓ **Matter unresolved**

MATTER UNRESOLVED OR RESURFACES Make an appointment and discuss with the principal.

↓ **Matter unresolved**

MATTER UNRESOLVED OR RESURFACES Complaint is put in writing and is addressed to the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees.

MATTER RESOLVED

Matter resolved to both parties' satisfaction – either concluded or an understanding in place for future action

Stage Two: Board of Trustees Process

COMPLAINT RECEIVED IN WRITING Complaint acknowledged in writing by the Chairperson and the complainant is advised of the next steps in the board process. The complaint becomes part of the correspondence for the next Board meeting.

ACTION - INVESTIGATION The complaint is referred to relevant parties for reporting back to the Board. The board may deal with the matter as a whole or appoint a committee to investigate and conclude all matters with full authority of the Board. The Board or committee receives the reports and the parties *may* be invited to speak to the complaint or answer questions. The Board or committee considers the evidence and/or information and makes a decision or recommendation.

BOARD RESPONSE The Board's response is communicated to the parties to the complaint. This may be either publicly or confidentially depending on the nature of the case.

COMPLAINT RESOLVED

Stage One: School Community Process.

1. While minor issues may be able to be discussed in a quick informal chat with a staff member, normally in order for both parties to give the matter full attention, arranging a time to discuss the matter is the preferred option. Staff do not conduct meetings unless they are prearranged. Staff are encouraged to have a support person present when dealing with potentially serious matters.
2. Meetings will be conducted with mutual respect so that both parties "listen to each other." Abusive, confrontational behaviour may result in a Trespass Order being served. Should the meeting become in any way distressing to staff, the meeting will be terminated, and the principal will communicate with the caregiver either by email or written letter.
3. If the concerns and complaints procedure has not been followed, the Board will normally return any letter of complaint to the writer and ask that they follow the procedure first.
4. The Board needs to formally receive a complaint either verbally or in writing, in order to act on it. If a complaint is serious enough for the Board to deal with, it is serious enough to put in writing.
5. All parties to the complaint may bring a support person to any meeting where the issue is to be discussed. Either party should be informed if a support person is to be present.

Stage Two: Board of Trustees Process

1. Issues of a serious nature, e.g. allegations of physical abuse, may require a special meeting of the Board to be called. All correspondence to the Chairperson is for the whole Board. The Chairperson cannot decide independently as to what action is to be taken. Resolution or dismissal of the complaint must not be discussed before all the information is to hand.
2. Conflict of interest will be determined on a number of issues, including whether the complaint involves the actions of any trustee.
3. The Board must exercise caution when dealing with complaints regarding staff, particularly in relation to confidentiality and processes to ensure the principles of natural justice are met. The Board must consider the relevant staff disciplinary processes and employment contracts. The NZSTA personnel/industrial adviser should be consulted.
4. Trustees need to recognise the difference between a complaint they have as a parent (i.e. regarding their own child) and a complaint they have as a trustee. In the first instance they are required to follow the normal procedures and are excluded from decision making due to a conflict of interest. The latter case is dealt with as an agenda item for the whole Board.

Reviewed 16 June 2020