



# Newsletter 3

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*Kia Ora Talofa Guten Tag Bonjour Malo e lelei Kia Orana  
Fakalofa lahi atu Goeie Dag Sawadee Croeso Bula Fáiite*

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## From our Principal

### Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

The last two weeks have been busy and the up and down weather has added to that too.

Thank you very much for your support with the teachers' afternoon Union meeting last week.

A **big thanks to Kathleen Thomas** for her very generous donation of 6 violins for the School. This now means that we are very well set up with instruments. We now have 18 children learning to play the violin. This is so exciting!

In the **Board meeting** last Tuesday, the Board appointed a Deputy Chairperson. We congratulate Pera Adams on this new role. Pera has been on the Board for 4 years and she is a wonderful Board member.

In the Board meeting we got the all clear to go ahead with new windows in the Whare, new Hall doors, new Library doors and a new front Carpark. We have shade sails that are being constructed off site, which will give shade outside Rooms 7 – 11. Our cricket pitch was removed last week and we are now able to have a full sized rugby or soccer field. As well as this we will be able to have 3 smaller fields for training as well. The Board has approved the purchase of new rugby and soccer combined goal posts which is fantastic.

Having to cancel the **Staff Professional Development** day last Friday, was a great shame but this has now been rescheduled to Friday 9th June.

A reminder to you all, when you might need to know something about your child's class the best person to contact is always your child's teacher. If your child comes home upset about anything, again the best person to contact first and foremost is your child's teacher.

On Friday we have our **Athletics day**. If you are free please join us here for that. It is always a fun day.

Warmest wishes to you all

Manuia le aso

**Mrs Wendy Esera**

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

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## Upcoming Events

### March / Poutū-te-rangi

- 7 - Everyday Theatre - Rms 23 & 24
- 7 - Waitākere Zone Girls Softball
- 9 - Everyday Theatre - Rms 11 & 17
- 9 - Waitākere Zone Boys Softball
- 10 - Athletics Day
- 14 - Everyday Theatre - Rms 25 & 26
- 16 - Everyday Theatre - Rms 18 & 19
- 20 - Waitākere Zone Tags



**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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## VALUES AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have been presented with a Bronze, Silver or Gold Values Certificate:

## **GOLD**

Kahli Villanueva  
Angel Chen  
Eden McKay

## **SILVER**

Vielle Gregorio  
Sushant Kaushal

## **BRONZE**

Miley Sluiter  
Rukaiyah Sitabkhan  
Setayesh Sarvaripour  
Keeley Ward  
Sam Scoins

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# Showcasing Specialist Classes

Specialist is a unique opportunity for students to experience and explore areas that may inspire them in what they choose at college and beyond. Students will spend two blocks per week for around 4-5 weeks in a subject and will see each teacher twice in a year...

## Music Specialist 🎹🎤

What a great space we have for music this year! Music Specialist is now located in Room 1 next to the Resource Room and it's the best place to set up our new piano keyboard suite for this term's learning. This term students will learn to read music notation. They will also be given time to rehearse a short piece of music on the piano in preparation to perform to a small audience. Although this can be a huge challenge for some, students are encouraged to embrace and support each other to give it a go and do their best. We are Proud learners of Music!

***Teacher: Mrs Rosemary Ma'asi***





## Sports Science

In Sports Tech, students have been developing catching and throwing skills to apply in games of cricket or softball. As part of our skill development, students are learning about the “Cookie Jar” throwing technique. A throw that keeps the ball flat and hard, to ensure that the ball remains catchable throughout the flight. Activities for catching include working with a partner through a range of catching drills and our Spider-Web Pattern game. This activity helps groups work together and develop a sense of timing and togetherness, until Mr. Paterson decides to increase the number of balls that each group has to catch at one time, sometimes having to catch two balls at the same time. The best group is able to keep 6 balls active.

Movement Skills is another component of our lessons. Students are learning a little about the importance of body position and how this can improve performance. In one task, students are given a parachute and learn how to shift their body to maintain momentum as the parachute fills with air. Our students enjoy running relays against each other.

In the remaining terms of the year, students can look forward to team based activities such as Volleyball, Basketball and Modified American Football.

***Teacher: Mr Kieran Paterson***



## Design Technology

After the little weather stutter at the start of this year, Design Technology is underway. This year we have 3 different experiences for our ākonga to enjoy.

First up we introduce them to the world of computer programming. After an initial hitch around some software updates we have swung into business using Scratch, Students have learned how to manipulate objects - making them move, add sounds, and interact with the user and each other. The creativity shown by students has been extraordinary to watch. I have heard from classroom teachers that many continue to add and develop their creations in class afterwards.

In the second half of this year, we will investigate electronics. I'll keep the details under wraps at this stage but I am excited to let students explore this technical topic. I also have a very secret design project we will attempt as well. The results of this could be pretty spectacular and we look forward to showcasing them for you later this year.

***Teacher: Mr Oliver Harris***

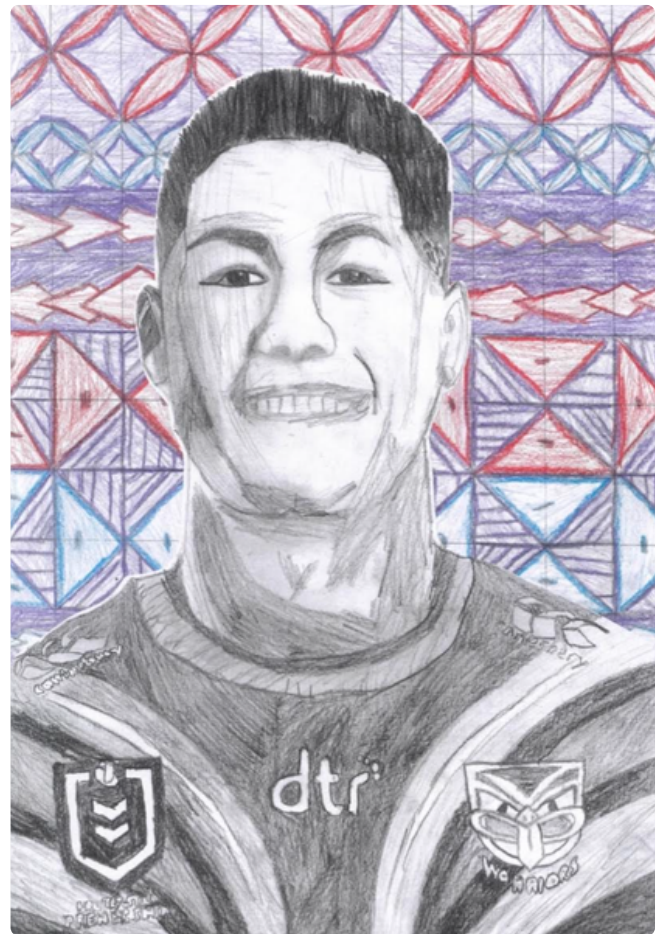
## Art Specialist

Art is all about expressing yourself creatively, exploring ideas and having fun!

In Art this term we are looking at portraiture. Tying in with the school-wide Social Sciences unit of Heroes and Villains, students in Art are creating their own portrait of a well known New Zealander. We are experimenting with various sketching and shading techniques and learning about colour theory.

***Teacher: Miss Anna Delany***





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## Aotearoa Art Fair

On Friday 3 March, a group of Art Extension students visited the Aotearoa Art Fair in downtown Auckland.

We got to see some incredible contemporary art and even got to meet some famous New Zealand artists.



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## Our Social Worker in School

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I am the Social Worker based full time at Henderson Intermediate. My role is to provide you and your children with support before problems at home or school become more serious and difficult to overcome. Social Workers in Schools (SWIS) is a free, confidential and voluntary service that is available to families and children in primary and intermediate schools. SWIS have three main roles: 1. One on one work with children and their families/whanau, 2. Provide group programmes which help children and families succeed and 3. Help families to access community support and networks. My role is to work with you and your child on: Social skills, self esteem, and confidence for children, children's peer relationships, family relationships, behavioural concerns, parenting, family violence, advocacy, referrals to other services.

If you require assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school office **8388529** or my work phone: **021428386**. Alternatively, you can email: [Jessica.Barrett@fwn.org.nz](mailto:Jessica.Barrett@fwn.org.nz).

**Jess Barrett**

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## School Hats

School Caps and Bucket Hats are available from the School Office - \$16 each.



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## Our School Values





- Treating people fairly to make a better, kinder and safer world.
- Value and appreciate our students, our staff, our parents and the law.
- Taking care of one another.



- Managing our actions and words so we are safe.
- Looking after ourselves, others, and our environment.
- Be honest and tell the truth.



- Ready to learn.
- To try hard, persist and pursue excellence in all I do.
- To be an independent learner,



- Enjoy school, have fun and learn.
- Be a positive role model for my school.
- Represent my school with pride.

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## Updating Your Contact Details

If your contact details change please let our School Office know so that we may contact you when needed.

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## Payments

Payments at the School Office may be made by cash, EFTPOS/Credit Card or Internet Banking using ASB account 12 3039 0278986 00. We can also provide you with a WINZ quote if you need one.

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## Bikes and Scooters

A reminder that the School is not responsible for the security of bikes and scooters that students ride to School. Please ensure your child has a padlock with them to lock up their bike/scooter for the day. Thank you.







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## Community Notices

## Safe speed limits around schools



30km/h is the new speed limit on roads around the school.

Safe speeds save lives



To view speed limit changes around the school and the reasons why visit [AT.govt.nz/schoolspeedlimits](https://www.at.govt.nz/schoolspeedlimits)



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# FOOTBALL

## REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Ranui Swanson Football Club  
are seeking male and female  
players of all ages and abilities  
for first kicks, junior, youth and  
senior football.

To find out more information and to  
register, please visit:

[www.ranuiswansonfc.co.nz](http://www.ranuiswansonfc.co.nz)



Register early to avoid  
disappointment.  
Limited spaces and teams  
fill up fast!



### CALLING ALL RUGBY KIDS!

Waitemata Rugby Club is back up and running for another season of junior rugby!  
We've got spaces across all grades from U6 Rippa through to U13 Restricted and  
Open tackle grades. There is something for everyone!  
Jump online now to register and show any interest in becoming a coach or referee  
for the season:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/143964>



# WATEMATA RFC



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...where students flourish and grow



