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#### **Henderson Intermediate School**

# **NEWSLETTER 14**

Term 3 | Week 10 | Thursday 29th September 2022

TODAY is the last day of Term 3 for students. Term 4 starts Mon 17 Oct.

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

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### September / Mahuru

29 – Last day of Term 3 for students

**29** – Pacific Celebration Evening – 7pm

30 - Staff Only Day

#### October / Whiringa-ā-nuku

17 - First day of Term 4

18 - Vector Wero -Rm 6 & 12

**19** – Vector Wero – Rm 7,8 & 9

21 - 24 - Labour Day Weekend - SCHOOL CLOSED

> 31 – Board of Trustees Meeting 6pm

#### November / Whiringa-ā-rangi

21 - Board of Trustees Meeting 6pm

29 - Sports Awards Evening 7pm

**30** – Year 6 Day

30 - Year 8 Trip to Point Erin **Pools** 

#### **December / Hakihea**

1 - Pacific Celebration Evening 7pm

2 – Staff Only Day

Click here to view our School Calendar

#### Kia ora Henderson Intermediate School Whānau

#### Warmest greetings to you all!

What a great fortnight we have had.

This week has been such a special one in terms of the end of term celebrations!

The Whānau Hui was well attended and it was great to share with our whānau here the new carvings etc that we have got arranged to go onto the front of our Whare.

Our Speech Contest Evening was wonderful too. This is a first for us and what an occasion it was too. It is always very nice to add new and wonderful occasions for us to celebrate together. Last week we had the School Semi - finals and we had 11 students who were quite simply STARS!

The **Pacific Celebrations Evening** tonight looks set to also be a fantastic evening of celebrating together too.

Many thanks to those of you who attended the PARENTSCHAT meeting last week. This was an evening about Maths and also parents finding out more about what is offered through our Social Worker in Schools.

I want to remind you again of your very special, unique role as your child's advocate. Nobody will ever advocate for your child the way that YOU WILL. Never be afraid to speak up when you are concerned about things for your child. We want your child to have the best day at School, every day. I find it sad when I have a parent tell me that their child is afraid to speak up about things for fear of what may happen to them. Our children are at the age where it is just so important that they feel that things are FAIR. They know when things are not fair, they know and we need to give them the confidence to speak up and to know that we care. They must know that we will listen and we will support them here. That is so important! That is my promise to you all! We will listen and we will act on anything that needs acting on.

Next term we welcome back Ms Izzy Easton. She has been away on maternity leave and it is so lovely to have her back with the Teaching Team. Staff got to meet her dear little boy yesterday.

**STAY WELL!** Noho ora mai.....stay well! Manuia le aso.....have a good day!

Don't forget to contact me anytime if the need arises. Call me at school or on my mobile 021 252 1383 anytime.

Mrs Wendy Esera FOR AND ON BEHALF OF STAFF AND BOARD

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#### **Enrolments for 2023**

If you have not yet enrolled for 2023, can we please ask that you do this as a matter of urgency? You can enrol online **HERE** 



#### **Black Ferns Visit**

We were so lucky to have a surprise visit from Theresa Fitzepatrick, Tanya Kalounivale and Ariana Bayler from the Black Ferns last week! They came along with the Project TV show and were interviewed on stage by our Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl. How inspiring for our young people! Students were offered an all access pass to the game this Saturday along with 3 other people. Forms were sent home and tickets will be given out on a first in, first serve basis. If you missed them on TV, it is available on the THREENOW app. It was aired on Monday 26 Sept 2022.











A huge congratulations to our Girls' Basketball Team for placing 1st at the Waitākere Zone Basketball Tournament on Tuesday. This qualifies them for the Auckland Champs in Term 4. It was a great day watching talent and sportsmanship throughout the games. Well done team!



### Music Recital 2022 J

Congratulations to all the young musicians involved in our Music Recital last Thursday!

Thank you to our Music Teachers (Mrs Rosemary Ma'asi, Mr Robert Densem and Mr Alex Alford) for a wonderful evening.

Thank you also to all the whānau who attended!





# SHOWCASING PUKEMATEKEO – ROOMS 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

#### Tēnā koutou, Talofa lava, Greetings from the Pukematekeo classes!

This term, students in Pukematekeo have explored with purpose a 'big idea' in an area of interest or concern relating to their Health.

We researched different Well-being models like Te Whare Tapa Whā, and Fonofale and how mindfulness can reduce stress and anxiety. We inquired into coping with change and building resilience by adopting healthy habits on devices and social media, as well as outside hobbies.

# Room 2

Managing our actions, self-worth and care for others have been our focus this term. We are Proud of each other's success and support

each other's areas of growth. Alongside our Health Well-being Unit of Inquiry, our structured Math and Literacy programmes have seen accelerated progress.

With the core principles of: Skill Development, Collaboration, Independent Consolidation.

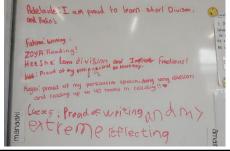
Kia ora - Fa'afetai - Warm regards, Room 2



# Room 3

Room 3 students are proud of their work in persuasive writing, long division, Prime, reading for our challenge, and Netball teamwork. They presented their learning about Te Whare Tapa Wha in creative and various ways. It has been an awesome Term!!!!







## Room 4

Rūma whā has had a fantastic Term 3! Learning moments such as debates lead by persuasive

writing pieces to being immersed in the knowledge of Te Whare Tapa Wha and Fonofale. Though we have to admit, spending the day white water rafting and kayaking at Vector Wero water park would have to be our 'top' experience for the term. Learning how to cross a river current and how to 'not fall out of a kayak' were the main highlights of our day. We would also like to introduce Whaea Tali, who is completing her final



placement with us over the next 3 weeks. She has brought to our class a greater sense of understanding for each of our cultures. Resulting in a beautiful Korowai created by all that represents us. She brings talent and excitement not only to our classroom, but to the volleyball courts as well. Onwards to the holidays and enjoy a 'well earned' rest! Ngā mihi Rūma whā

# Room 5



Room 5 has had huge success this term with our Te Whare Tapa Wha and Health Unit. We have also really been enjoying 'The Arts' when using a cross curricular approach with the unit. Room 5 has looked at a variety of emotions and how these can be used to overcome anxiety, stress, and depression. We have learned how to enhance our own wellbeing and

live our lives with positivity, courage, bravery, confidence, and resilience. In Room 5 we LOVE FRIDAYS as this is the special time in the week when Mr Williams brings his dog (Archie) to school. We get to take him for walks and have him in class with us.



Room 6

This term, Room 6 has made some interesting discoveries about 'ourselves'. As part of our Health Unit we looked at the model Te Whare Tapa Wha and learnt about the 4 dimensions of health (Mind, Family, Relationships and Spirituality) and how each dimension



directly affects the other. We were able to see that when we are feeling down in one area, it can be reflected in another area. For example when we feel anxious about something it affects how we look and act. Many discussions took place as we began to make sense of this whole concept and how it affects people. Interesting were the 'debates' we had on topics that were strongly contested.

As well, we have been making steady progress in our Core Curriculum areas of Maths and Literacy. Students wrote scripts and acted them out on subjects that they were concerned about eg Bullying. Fantastic to see the depth of their thoughts and how conscientious they were about what is happening around them. A great term this term and a better one to come next term. Let's go Room 6!!!!

#### Te Wiki o te Reo Māori

Celebrating Te Wiki o te Reo Māori in Week 8. Thank you to our Ngā mahi a Rēhia group who performed at our Assembly on the Friday to finish off a great week!



#### H.I.S Speech Competition

The speech competition was open to anyone in the school who wished to enter. There were 5 topics to choose from.

Firstly, every class wrote speeches and presented in class to find 2 who would go through to their syndicate competition.

Then, the syndicate had to select 2 to go through to the semifinals. The competition started to heat up.

The semifinals were exciting. The whole school gathered in the hall to hear the semi finalists. From there, only 5 students were selected to compete in the speech finals, which was held at 7pm on 28/09 in the school hall. The hall was full of families and friends, performers, staff, and our guest judges. Our 5 speech finalist contestants state they weren't "nervous at all" - each of them presented their speeches with passion and pride. We are all so proud of them.

Kennerly Masi (H.I.S. Head Girl, 2022) was the overall winner of the H.I.S. Speech Contest. Congratulations.

Thank you to all the performers, Kapa Haka Group, Tongan Boys Performance, Indian Group, H.I.S. Dance Crew, and our H.I.S. Band. You were all amazing too!!! So much talent in this place. If you missed out, come and join us in the next school

event and celebrate









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