

Term 1, Week 9 2026



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our stories*

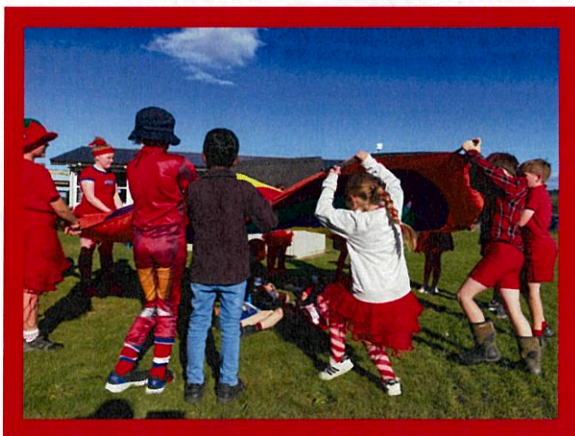
Principal Post

30th March - 2nd April

Kia ora e te whānau, kumusta, ayubowan,

Congratulations to the following students who represented Hauroko Valley at the **Southland Swimming Championships**.

-Riley, Oscar, Corbin, Hadlee, and Cohen. The team put in a huge effort competing at this level. Thanks to Kaylene for organizing/managing/coaching the team.



The Year 7&8's walked 14km as part of the final Term 1 Have A Go. This part of the track is from **Rarakau**. It was their first lengthy walk, with a few more to go. Thanks to parents for supporting us so our children could complete the first part of the Hump Ridge Track.



The Year 5&6 **Rippa Rugby** team has impressed with their self-motivation to train during lunch times. Thanks to Jenna, Sally, and Holly for supporting our crew in developing skills. They competed in the Rippa Rugby Carnival, taking a few wins, one draw and a loss. We really appreciated our dads stepping in - Scott, Tim and Joe to Coach and Manage on game day.

Fifteen students represented HVP at the **Western Southland Swimming Sports**, including Archie, Eve, Riley, Layla, Hadlee, Cohen, Corbin, Oscar, Ruby, Aydee, Angus D, Isaac, Connor, Carter, and Dusty. Superb swimming was shown by our students, and awesome sportsmanship was shown towards others. Check out results in the newsletter - outstanding swimming demonstrated!

ALWAYS OUR BEST

The Year 7&8 class has completed their **Weaving Wellbeing Modules** - 6 weeks of 60-minute sessions with Megan from Hone Hato/St John. There has been a wealth of information for our children to tap into. Ask to see their workbooks so you can understand the depth of topics and references for follow-up.



Congratulations to Lauren Naylor, who was presented with a special certificate from **Southland Athletics** for securing 2nd place in the 800m for 10-year-old girls. This is an outstanding achievement!

Thank you to Thehan's family, who generously provided muffins and ice blocks for everyone. We wish Thehan all the best as he heads to Ruru School.



Dates/Events are included for Term 2 in this newsletter. Thank you to our families and friends for your support of our school. We know it takes a village, and we have an amazing one!! Enjoy the Easter holidays. See you in Term 2.

Ngā mihi, Julia,
on behalf of the Hauroko Valley Primary team



READING NIGHT TARGETS



WE HAVE REACHED

50

<u>Kōwhai</u>	<u>Mataī</u>	<u>Tōtara</u>	<u>Rata</u>
Lucas	Lucy	Abby	TBC
Monty	Tanner	Bill	
	Hannah	Aoife	
	Liam	Ava	
		Della	



READING NIGHT TARGETS



<u>Kōwhai</u>	<u>Mataī</u>	<u>Tōtara</u>	<u>Rata</u>
Charlie	Lucy	Frank	Hadlee
Liam	John	Sadie	Angus BE
Monty	Zara	Abby	Harper
Lucas	Tanner	George	Cohen
Thiven	Grace	Alex Eg	Layla
Louie	Ada	Aoife	Nremma
Oakley	Hannah	Memphis	Ruby
Brayden	Beau	Eve	Finley
Maeve	Thehan	Dara	Angus D
	Bear	Bill	Connor
	Hazel	Ava	Tori
	Archie	Riley	Lola
	Liam	Della	Griffin
		Fletcher	Aydee
		Lauren	Ilyssa
		Neilina	Alfred
			Caitlin
			Dusty
			Isaac
			Mason

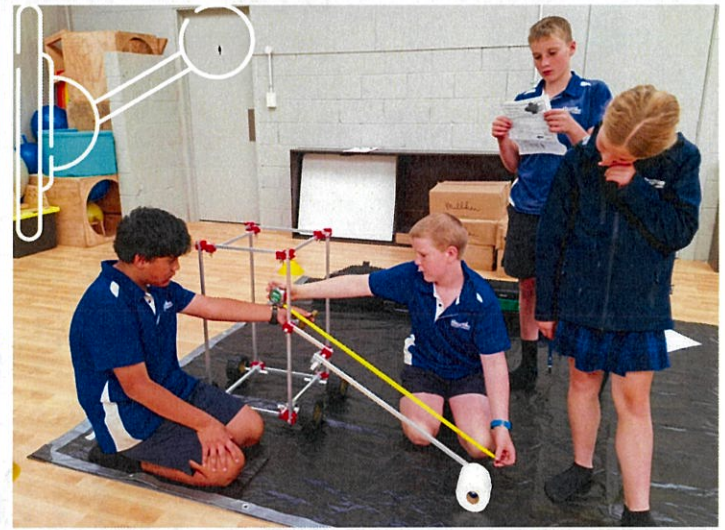
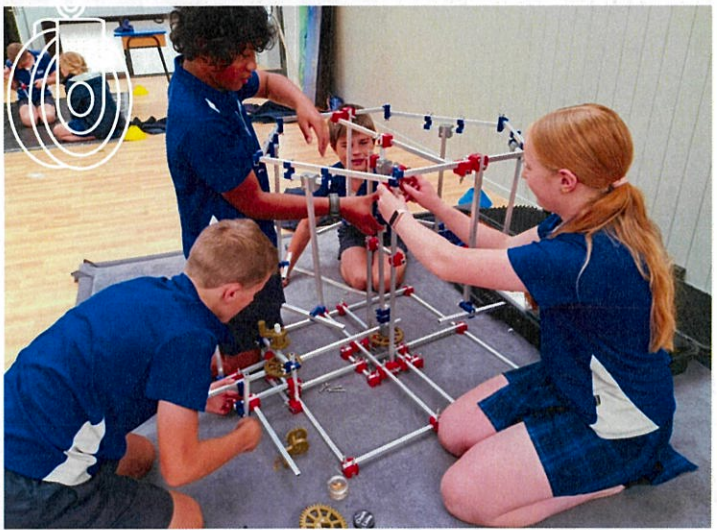
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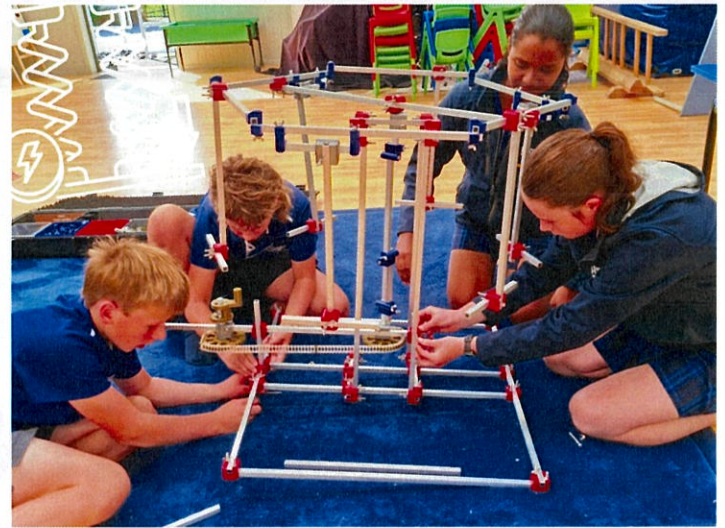
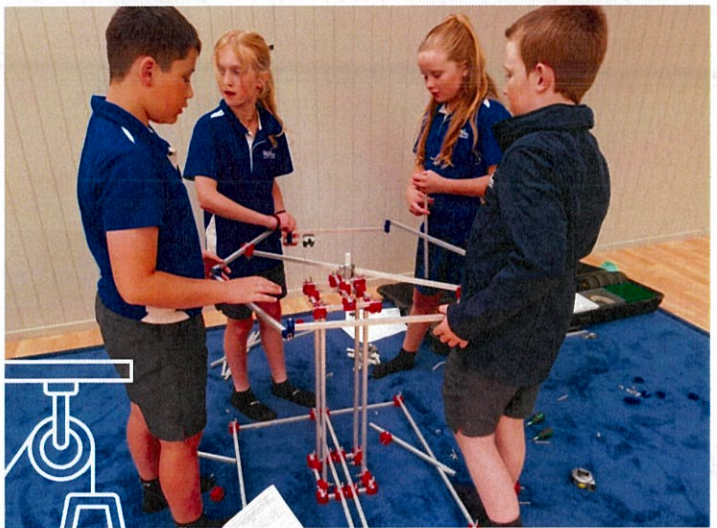
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Radical Rata

EPRO8 TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE



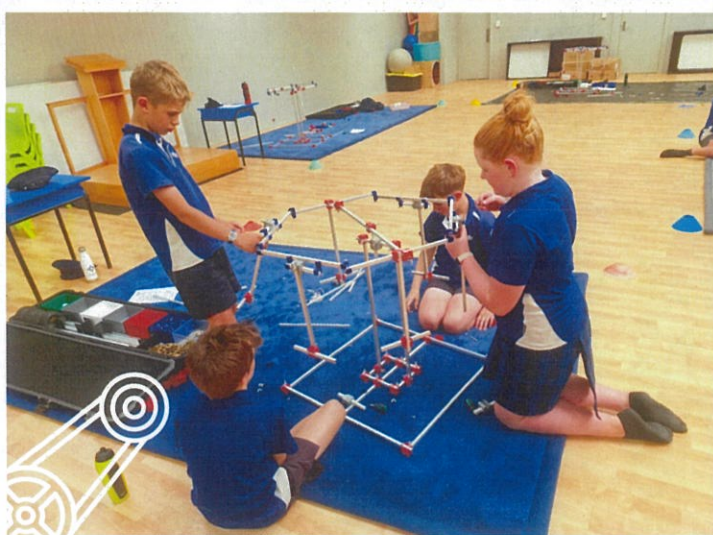
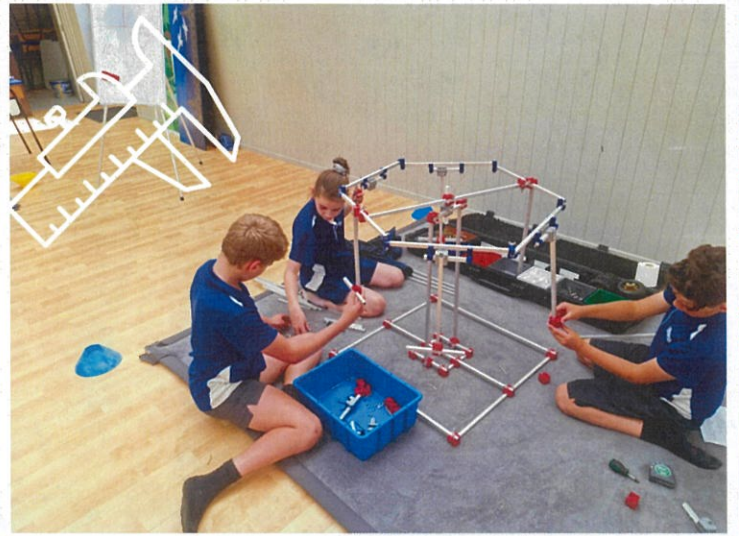
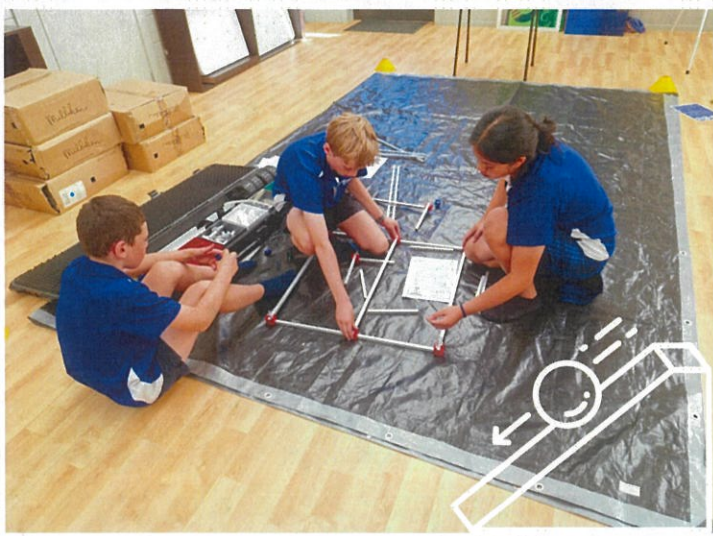
Students in Rata have recently been preparing for the Epro8 Technology Challenge, 2026. This is a first for Hauroko Valley Primary, as we will be sending two teams to compete in an interschool STEM competition on the 28th of April (STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics). The EPRO8 Technology challenge pits students head-to-head in building incredible machines and solving complex mathematics problems using these machines. The two challenges completed by our amazing year 7-8's were "Paint the Room" and "Swing Carousel". In Paint the Room, students had to create a painting machine with very specific parameters. Starting with a 400mm x 400mm x 700mm frame with 4 wheels attached to the base. The painting handle had to be 700mm long and attached to a crank handle mechanism - later replaced with a gear system that would move the paint handle as the wheels turned. The mathematics for this section included calculating the area (in metres squared) of one paint stroke, the total area of the room to be painted, and how many total strokes would be necessary to paint the room.





Science Technology Engineering Mathematics

For the Swing Carousel challenge, students had to create a spinning swing carousel that had a base of 700mm x 700mm, and a stand that was 200mm x 200mm x 700mm. Attached at the top of the stand was a swing arm that could spin freely using an axle. Students had to attach a hexagon frame they assembled themselves to the spinning arm, along with one seat per side. A tricky part of this challenge was figuring out how to make 4 of the 6 seats swing inwards and outwards when the carousel span. Finally, students had to attach a gear mechanism to the lower portion of the carousel with a crank handle - allowing the carousel to be turned. The mathematics involved for this challenge were to calculate the number of completed spins the carousel would make in 10 seconds, 60 seconds, and in one hour. They also had to calculate the width of each side of the hexagon frame they constructed.



SOUTHLAND SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS



Five students from Hauroko Valley Primary School competed in the Southland Swimming Championships on Sunday, 29th March. We are super impressed with these swimmers - Riley, Oscar, Cohen, Hadlee, and Corbin. Results included the following; 50m backstroke, 11-12 year old boys: Corbin 11th, Cohen 14th, and Oscar 16th. 25m backstroke, 9-year-old girls, Riley 10th. 50m breaststroke 11-12 year old boys Cohen 12th, Corbin 14th, and Oscar 16th. 50m butterfly 11-12 year old boys Oscar 9th. 50m freestyle 11-12 year old boys Cohen 13th, Corbin 15th, Oscar 16th and Hadlee 22nd. Final results: Riley 22nd in freestyle. Amazing swimming by these talented students! Thank You Kaylene for organising the crew.

Hump Ridge Track



**Year
7&8
Walk**



Great Walk
 Hump Ridge
 Track
 Rarākau
 Tuatapere
 Te Wae Wae
 South Coast

Hump Burn
 River
 Stony Creek
 Waikoko
 Stream
 Waikōau



beach
 forest
 mountain
 fitness
 walking
 A-Frame



RIPPA RUGBY CARNIVAL 2026

HVP's Year 5 & 6 Rippa Rugby team of Alex Ed, Bill, Memphis, Dara, Alex Eg, Ava, Aoife, Neilina, Della, and Lauren, represented our school at the Southland Rippa Rugby Carnival. They played 5 games first up, Dipton with HVP taking the win 6-5, then a close game with Takitimu. A good win vs Hedgehope. A draw 13 all with Riverton and a loss to Gore Main 11-6. The team showed fabulous teamwork with skills improving across each game. Thanks to Coach Holly and our supporters with transport, as well as assisting with managing children and gear, while also cheering us on the sideline. Thanks to Rugby Southland for organising the carnival to provide opportunities for our students to learn the game of rippa rugbv. Shout out to Emma for superb photos capturing the action of games!

WESTERN SOUTHLAND SWIMMING SPORTS



Fifteen students from Hauroko Valley competed in the Western Southland Swimming Sports at Riverton on Wednesday, 1st April. We had children in each age group from 8 years to 13 years old, including Archie, Eve, Riley, Layla, Hadlee, Cohen, Corbin, Oscar, Ruby, Aydee, Angus D, Isaac, Connor, Carter, and Dusty. Events included 25m for our 8-10 year olds, with 50m for our 11- 12 & 13 year olds. This included freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly options. Everyone enjoyed this opportunity, and there were some stunning results. Refer below for these. To conclude the event, relays were completed, and they were lots of fun, with a couple of our teams challenging each other. Thank you to Hauroko Valley staff and parents for supporting us in hosting a successful event with 68 swimmers from our Western Southland Schools!

WESTERN SOUTHLAND SWIMMING SPORTS

Riley

- 2nd in 9-year-old girls' backstroke and breaststroke

Cohen

- 1st in 11-year-old boys freestyle, backstroke, and butterfly
- 2nd in 11-year-old boys breaststroke

Layla

- 2nd in 11-year-old girls' backstroke and freestyle
- 3rd in 11-year-old girls' breaststroke

Hadlee

- 1st in 11-year-old boys breaststroke
- 3rd in 11-year-old boys freestyle

Oscar

- 3rd in 11-year-old boys backstroke

Corbin

- 2nd in 11-year-old boys' freestyle and backstroke
- 3rd in 11-year-old boys' breaststroke and butterfly

Connor

- 2nd in 12-year-old boys' breaststroke and butterfly
- 3rd in 12-year-old boys freestyle

Ruby

- 2nd in 12-year-old girls backstroke, freestyle, and breaststroke

Angus D

- 1st in 12-year-old boys freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly

Dusty

- 1st in 13-year-old boys freestyle
- 2nd in 13-year-old boys backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly

Carter

- 1st in 13-year-old boys backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly
- 2nd in 13-year-old boys freestyle

HAUROKO ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Principal Awards - named as below, not photographed

Kōwhai - Frank - excellent number work using 100's, 10's and 1's and wonderful writing ideas.

Mataī - Hazel - being a super organized learner and keeping on top of where she needs to be for additional curriculum - music and spelling!

Mataī - Archie - representing Hauroko Valley in the Western Swimming Sports. Awesome work.

Tōtara - Alex Eg - super navigation of the SMART tool for reading, writing, and maths.

Tōtara - Della for being a leader showing initiative, suggesting ideas for Totara and our school.

Rātā - Cohen - for being a standout problem solver at our school EPRO8 challenge and outstanding swimming results.

Rātā - Jack R - consistently asking to clarify & being a thoughtful classmate & reliable, responsible PAL.

Rātā - Mason for being a key person completing EPRO8 challenges at Hauroko Valley, and for supporting all of Western Southland swimming .

Rātā -Jake - being an IT expert specialist to support structured literacy spelling and exercising

HVP Students of the Week



Classroom Teachers Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following learners for demonstrating a range of skills, knowledge, and understanding of HVP School Values, NZ Key Capabilities, or Literacy, Numeracy, Inquiry, The Arts (Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Art), Technology, Science, Aotearoa Historics, or Health and Physical Education learning. Well done on your progress and achievements!



Our School Values

House points can be earned during the day through value tickets. These are issued by classroom teachers.

They are distributed to students who demonstrate any of our values inside or outside the classroom.

We also have term events that provide opportunities for individual students to earn house points.

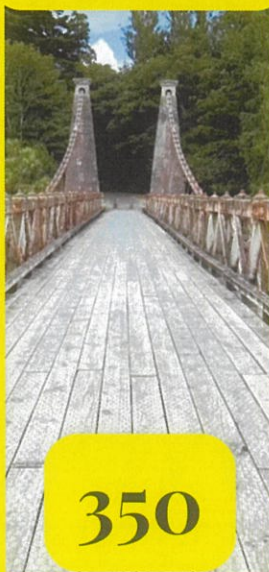
Our first event for Term 1 was the Interschool Athletics. Everyone who participated received 1 point, with 10 for 1st, 5 for 2nd, and 2 for 3rd.

The house events are varied, so not all sports are included. The next challenge will be a house day on ... Points are awarded for working together, dressing up and showing house spirit.



Hauroko School House Points - Interschool Athletics & House Day -

Clifden



350

Orawia



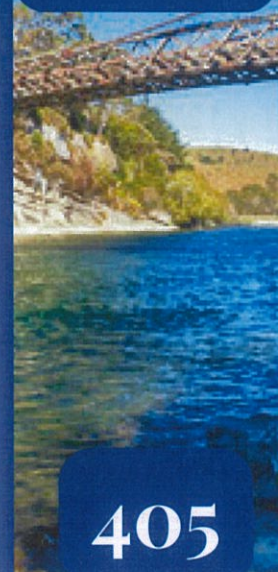
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Takitimu



400

Waiau



405

TERM DATES



Term 2

Monday 20th April - Friday 3rd July

Public Holiday - Anzac Day - Monday 27th April

Public Holiday - King's Birthday - Monday 1st June

Term 3

Monday 20th July - Friday 25th September

Term 4

Monday 12th October - Wednesday 16th December

Public Holiday - Labour Day - Monday 26th October



DIARY DATES

Term 2

NB: KSOM every Thursday apart from Thursday 21st May as Interschool Cross Country at WAS

- Monday 20th April - First Day of Term 2
- Monday 20th April - Board Meeting 7.00 pm
- Wednesday 22nd April - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 24th April - Technology Year 7&8 at WAS
- **Monday 27th April - ANZAC Day/Public Holiday/No School**
- Tuesday 28th April - EPRO8 Challenge Year 7&8 x 2 teams
- Wednesday 29th April - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 1st May - Technology Year 7&8 at WAS
- Wednesday 6th May - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 8th May - Technology Year 7&8 at WAS
- Tuesday 12th May - SBHS Meeting 7.00 pm-8.00 pm at HVP
- Wednesday 13th May - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 15th May - Technology Year 7&8 at WAS
- Monday 18th May - Board Meeting 7.00 pm
- Wednesday 20th May - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 22nd May - Technology Year 7&8 at WAS
- Wednesday 27th May - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 29th May - Western Cross Country at Otautau
- **Monday 1st June - King's Birthday/Public Holiday/No School**
- Wednesday 3rd June - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Wednesday 10th June - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 12th June - Southland Cross Country at Waimumu
- Monday 15th June - Board Meeting 7.00 pm
- Wednesday 17th June - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 19th June - Mid-Year Reports Go Home
- Tuesday 23rd June & Wednesday 24th June - Mid Year Parent-Teacher Conversations
- Wednesday 24th June - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm

SCHOOL NOTICES

Attendance

If your child is sick and staying home or you have something on, e.g. a medical appointment, wedding, funeral, or other, then please let us know. You can contact us through the following ways;

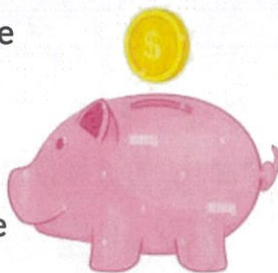
1. Use our school student management system via the HERO Linc-Ed App.
2. Ring and speak with Karen, or leave a message on the school phone at 032266753.
3. Email Karen at office@haurokovalley.school.nz - she will enter the absence, and this advises classroom teachers.
4. Text Karen 0277777520.

Please do so by 9.30 am, as we are legally required to accurately record attendance, and this requires a follow-up with a phone call, email, or text to check in. Thanks!



To see your child's account, download the Hero App.

Register with your email address that we have for you in our records.



School Account

If paying accounts by internet banking, please do so to

Hauroko Valley Primary School

Westpac:

03 1748 0030028 000

Tui Base Camp

Friday Lunch Orders

Sausage & Chips \$6

Fish Bites & Chips \$5

Pies \$7

Chicken Nuggets & Chips \$5

Chips \$3

Bacon & Egg Sandwich \$7

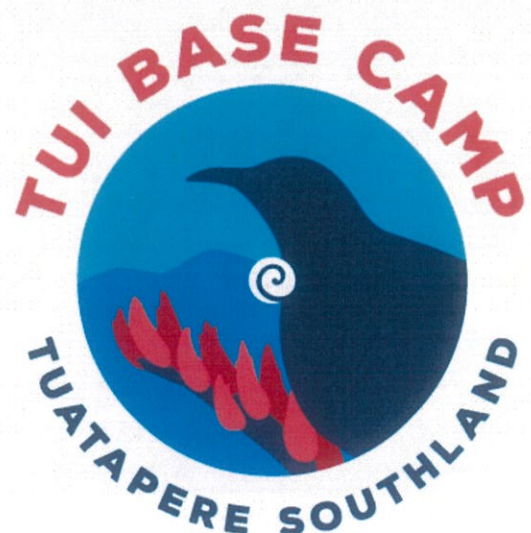
Dagwood \$7

Muffin \$5

Cheese Roll \$3

Scone \$5

Sausage Roll \$6



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Join us these School Holidays



KsOm
KENNEDY SCHOOL OF MUSIC

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE FROM

APRIL 08 **UNTIL** **APRIL 17**

LEARN AN INSTRUMENT - PLAY IN A BAND - DRUM CAMP
THEMED WORKSHOPS - MUSICAL THEATRE
PRESCHOOL OPTIONS ALSO AVAILABLE

SCAN THE QR CODE TO VIEW OUR FULL CALENDAR




 INFO@KSOM.NZ

BENJI CULHANE

HOCKEY CLINICS

Thursday 16th of April
Invercargill Hockey Turf



Year 7-8

- 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Year 9-10

- 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Year 11-13

- 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm

\$40 per person



Come learn off current Black Stick Benji Culhane!

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

@ **ILT STADIUM**
SOUTHLAND

Sun 12th - Wed 15th April



ADVENTURE PARK
BOUNCE HOUSE

\$15 each

School holiday fun sorted!

13 - 15 APRIL
9:30AM - 3PM

ILT STADIUM
SPORTS-TASTIC
HOLIDAY
PROGRAMME

\$60 PER DAY
\$165 ALL THREE DAYS



Tickets available at
www.stadiumsouthficket.co.nz

BENJI CULHANE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

A joint Hockey & Cricket programme for Southland tamariki!

RUN BY BENJI HIMSELF!!!



WHEN

Friday April 17th
10:00am – 3:00pm



WHERE

Invercargill Hockey Turf



WHO & COST

Ages 5 - 13
\$50

Hockey Skills | Cricket Skills | Games | Challenges | Prizes | Fun



45° Fibre

Deep South Fibre Festival

10am Saturday 2nd May 2026
Gore Town & Country Club
2 Bury Street
Gore, NZ



- * Woolcraft
- * Fibre
- * Displays
- * Traders
- * Food carts
- * Devonshire teas

**Family Friendly
People Coming Together**



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KID'S CRAFT

Craft Stations

- * Mermaid Neckless (shells, beads and diamantes) and also a Plaited Headband – using wool
- * Felt Purse (felt template- embroider blanket stitch and embellishments)
- * Needle Felting – Pumpkin or Apple (wool and felt needle)
- * Flax flower using flax as fibre
- * Dance Sticks (wood handle, ribbon and decorations)
- * Pom Pom animals (wool, felt and cardboard)
- * S2 bags to decorate and become the carryall, (Bags, paint pens)
- * Sales table



