

# Hauroko

VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



**Term 4, Week 7 2025**





# Newsletter – Issue #34

## Week: 17th-21st October

Kia ora e te whānau, kumusta, ayubowan,

### **Asbestos**

Thanks for your support as we have navigated coloured sand onsite, which is a recalled product and is likely contaminated with asbestos. The sand was purchased for use in visual arts and also for sensory play. We have engaged professionals to test and remove necessary resources. Right now, we are still operating with reduced spaces until we receive further instructions. We will update you when we know more.

### **Community Consultation**

Here is a summary of the 2025 Community Consultation. Thank you for contributing to our planning for next year.

#### **What do you think Hauroko Valley Primary School does well for our learners?**

The school provides a supportive learning environment. All kids seem to know each other and play with each other, and there is a real sense of community. Opportunities to build confidence by presenting from a young age. Encouraging interaction between age groups, building community and self-esteem. HVP sets high standards. Students are opportunity-rich. Our children are encouraged and supported to give everything a go.

#### **What do you think Hauroko Valley Primary could do better to support improved learner outcomes?**

Programmes for wellness, as students require strategies and skills to support them through life's challenges. More opportunities for all learners, in all classes.

#### **What strengths in our community do you think can be reflected in our school?**

Do more of ... family involvement, everyone helping each other, striving for excellence, valuing the past, present, and future, so our students work hard, be respectful, and contribute in a positive way.

#### **What qualities or attributes do you want your children to have as they graduate from HVP?**

Love of learning, willingness to give things a go. Confident, responsible, resilient, respectful. Thoughtful people who demonstrate kindness and leadership. The ability to talk to adults and to like themselves for who they are. An understanding of the wider world - of culture and people from all walks of life. Internet safety.

#### **How can we ensure our students are well prepared for the next stage in their learning, e.g, transition from Year 8 to High School?**

Knowledge of cybersafety and physical safety.

Be an engaged learner. Able to work alongside anyone. Competent in reading, writing and maths, so ready for the next stage. Prepares our students academically for Year 9 onwards to be strong and capable of continuing to develop knowledge. To have a strong voice that asks the right questions to identify and utilise their skills to learn.

Thanks for your contributions, here are our refreshed goals for 2026

#### **#1 - Hauora/Wellbeing**

Strengthen students' well-being and resilience, so they feel positive and ready to take on challenges.

#### **#2 - Success/Perseverance**

Reading, writing and maths programmes are effective, helping every child move ahead in their learning.

#### **#3 - Village & Perseverance**

The curriculum is engaging and flexible, so every learner has meaningful learning experiences and clear pathways to grow and succeed.





# TEAM TŌTARA

Tōtara have been very busy with lots of EOTC trips, including Mitre 10 Tough Kids, Science Roadshow and our weekly Clubs & Socs. We were lucky enough to have Wendy in from the Waiau Bittern Trust where we learnt all about wetlands and how to protect local Bittern. Our Year 5/6 camp at Borland Lodge is coming up so we have been engaging in many team-building challenges and activities. There are still so many exciting things happening before the end of the year that Tōtara are fortunate to be a part of!





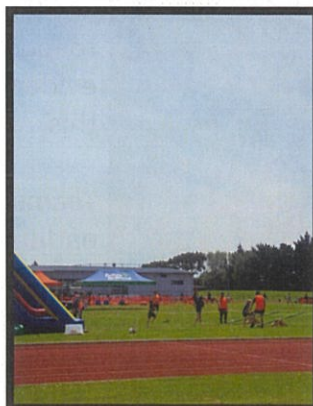
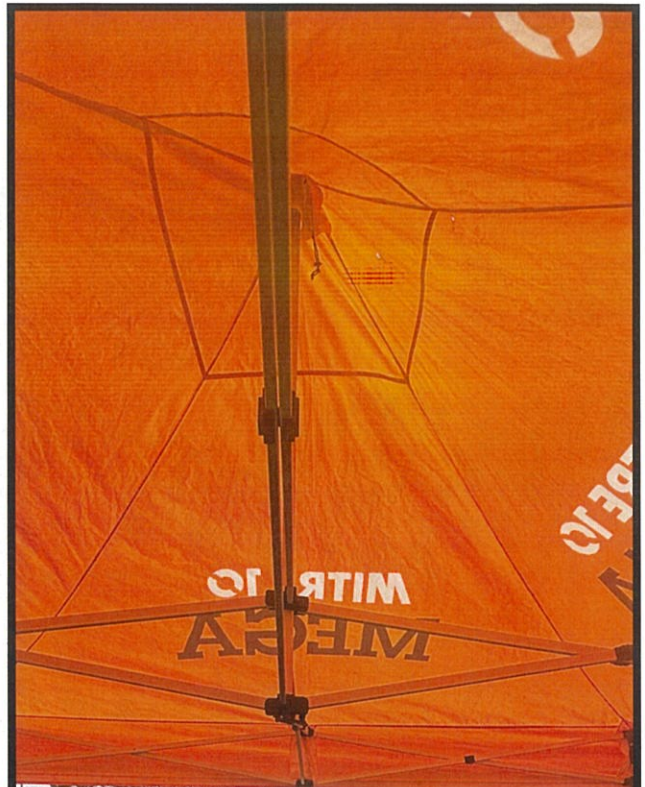
# MITRE 10 MEGA

Students from Years 4, 5, and 6 had an amazing time taking part in the Mitre 10 Tough Kid Challenge 2025. The event featured an exciting obstacle course that included water slides, climbing through nets, crawling under barriers, and splashing through grassy sections.

Every student showed fantastic determination, teamwork, and enthusiasm as they made their way through the course. Laughter, encouragement, and big smiles could be seen all around.

It was a day filled with fun, confidence-building, and unforgettable memories—fun was had by all!





**TOUGH KIDS**





## Year 7&8



Seven teams from Hauroko Valley competed in the Adventure Race, thanks to Southland Triathlon and Multi-Sport Club for organising this event.

Our teams had to navigate an orienteering course at Oreti Sands. Over three courses, they had to bike, kayak, and run to find checkpoints.

One of the challenges, was reading the map to find the checkpoints. Each team had to punch a card, to provide evidence they had reached this.

Teams had to have endurance, perseverance, teamwork in decision making, and problem solving when challenges were harder than expected.

This was a great opportunity for our Year 7&8 children

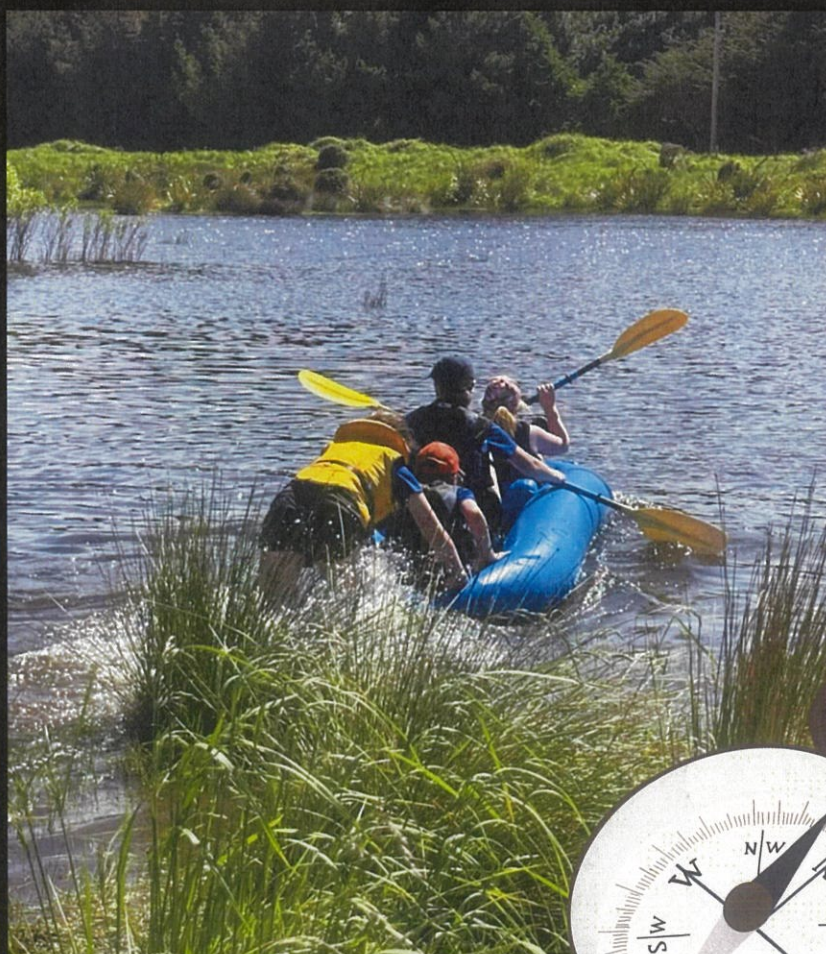
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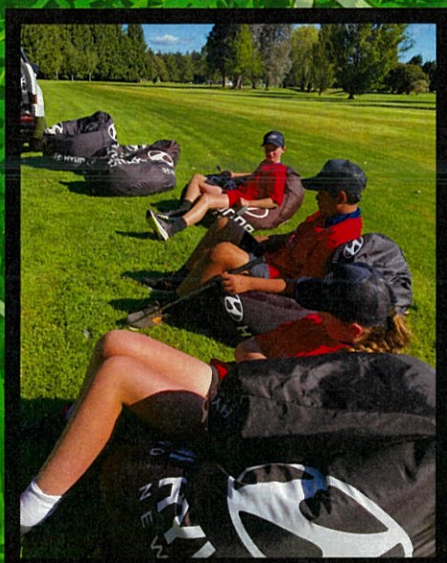
# Adventure Race





# SOUTHLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

## HVP GOLFERS 2025



This year, both of our Year 7 and 8 golf teams qualified at the Western Southland Festival of Golf played at Riverton Golf Course for the Southland Primary School Golf Final. The competition included playing 8 holes, and some skill-based challenges - chuck n putt, putting, and chipping and snag. Points are awarded across the Ambrose comp and for skills.

Thanks to Drummond Primary School for feeding our teams, and to Drummond Golf Course and Golf Southland for hosting the event. Excellent weather; ground conditions were great; the players needed precision with the skills and ambrose.

Hauroko Hunters - Connor, Cassie, Jonty, and Louie were placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the chuck 'n' putt challenge. Thanks to Manager Scott. Hauroko Hawks were placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall across the ambrose and skills. Well done to Carter, Maddi, Mason and Isaac. Thanks to Manager Julia and Coach Terrence.



# DATES & EVENTS

## Week 8

- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Western Southland Touch Module
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Home and School Meeting from 7.30 pm
- ~~Wednesday~~ 26<sup>th</sup> November - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November - KSOM
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November - St John First Aid for all classes
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Food Technology at Waiau Area School
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Tōtara Assembly from 2.30 pm
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Student Reports Go Home

## Week 9

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December & Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Parent-Teacher Meetings
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December - BIG Day Out Year 8's
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Year 5&6 Borland Lodge Camp
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Ki O Rahi Tournament Year 7&8
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December - KSOM
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Food Technology Year 7&8 at Waiau Area School

## Week 10

- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December, Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December, and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Hauroko Valley Primary School Water Safety Skills at Tuatapere Community Pool
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - Final Discovery for 2025 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December - KSOM
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December - HVP Carols in the Caves & Prize Giving

## Week 11

- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Final Board Meeting for 2025 7.30 pm
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December - HVP Swimming Sports & Final Day of 2025/Last Day of School
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Teachers Only Day
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December - KSOM - final lessons for students.



# 2026 DATES

## Term 1

### **HVP Teachers Only Days**

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> & Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

**Public Holiday** - Waitangi Day - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February

## Term 2

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

**Public Holiday** - Anzac Day - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April

**Public Holiday** - King's Birthday - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June

## Term 3

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September

## Term 4

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December

**Public Holiday** - Labour Day - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October



# SCHOOL NOTICES

## Tui Base Camp

### Friday Lunch Orders

- Sausage & Chips \$6
- Fish Bites & Chips \$5
- Pies \$6
- Chicken Nuggets & Chips \$5
- Chips \$3
- Bacon & Egg Sandwich \$6
- Dagwood \$6
- Muffin \$5
- Cheese Roll \$3
- Scone \$5
- Sausage Roll \$5



## School Account

If paying accounts by

internet banking,

please do so to

Hauroko Valley Primary School

Westpac:

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To see your child's account, download the Hero App. Register with your email address that we have for you in our records.



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