



Term 1, Week 2 2026



HELLO 2026

Hauroko
VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

*our place. our people.
our stories*



Term 1, Week 2, 2026 9th - 13th February Principal Post

Kia ora e te whānau, kumusta, ayubowan,

What a fabulous first full week back it has been! Our classes are looking organised, settled, and engaging in learning. It has been wonderful to see students reconnecting with one another and with staff as we begin the new term together.

A very warm welcome to Annie and Liam, who have joined their siblings and Kōwhai class. We are delighted to have you both as part of our school community.

Important reminders for Term 1

- School hours: 8.50 am start, 3.00 pm finish
- Full and correct school uniform (unless otherwise advised)
- A school sun hat (required at playtimes, lunchtimes, and during outdoor Health, PE, or Sport)
- A named water bottle (we are a water-only school)
- Fruit or vegetables for our daily fruit/veggie break

Congratulations to Aydee, Ilyssa, and Layla, who proudly represented Hauroko Valley at the 2026 Otago/Southland AgriKids Competition over the weekend. Competing as Wild West 3, they were placed 6th out of 35 teams!! Aydee secured the best competitor on the day, for supporting others—an outstanding achievement!

Our Year 7 and 8 students competed in the Southland Secondary School Triathlon today. Congratulations to each for their individual achievements and to the teams for their teamwork!

- Year 7 individuals: Hadlee, Cohen
- Year 7 mixed team: Oscar, Jack M, Layla
- Year 8 individuals: Flynn, Angus, Dusty, Carter
- Year 8 teams: Griffin, Jake & Lola; Aydee, Isaac & Finley; Tori, Mason & Ilyssa

Next week, our Year 7 & 8 students will take part in a sleepover as part of our **Have A Go** Programme. This initiative focuses on leadership development and personal growth. The programme will be led by Sally, with the Blackmount Community Centre serving as our base. Activities will include team-building challenges, a walk, a swim with challenges, and the Fiordland Climbing Wall.

The **Life Education Bus** returns to HVP on Friday, 20th, and Monday, 23rd. Each class will participate in one session per day, focusing on Health Education, with this year's overarching theme being Identity and Resilience. Kōwhai & Matai: Feelings and Emotions. Tōtara & Rātā: Self-Management and Goal Setting

We are a peanut-free school, which means nothing can come to school that has peanuts listed in the ingredients. Foods that have the statement 'may contain traces of nuts' are fine to be in the lunchboxes. Thanks in advance for your continued support in checking the foods/ingredients of the foods you are sending to school.

Finally, Kōwhai class will be moving back into their usual learning space, ready for Week 3 soon. This area offers more space, natural light, increased storage, and greater flexibility for our tamariki and kaiako. It is wonderful to see another project successfully completed.

It always amazes me how we can pivot to accommodate changes, both students and staff. Ngā mihi, Julia, on behalf of the Hauroko Valley Primary team



All about Kōwhiri

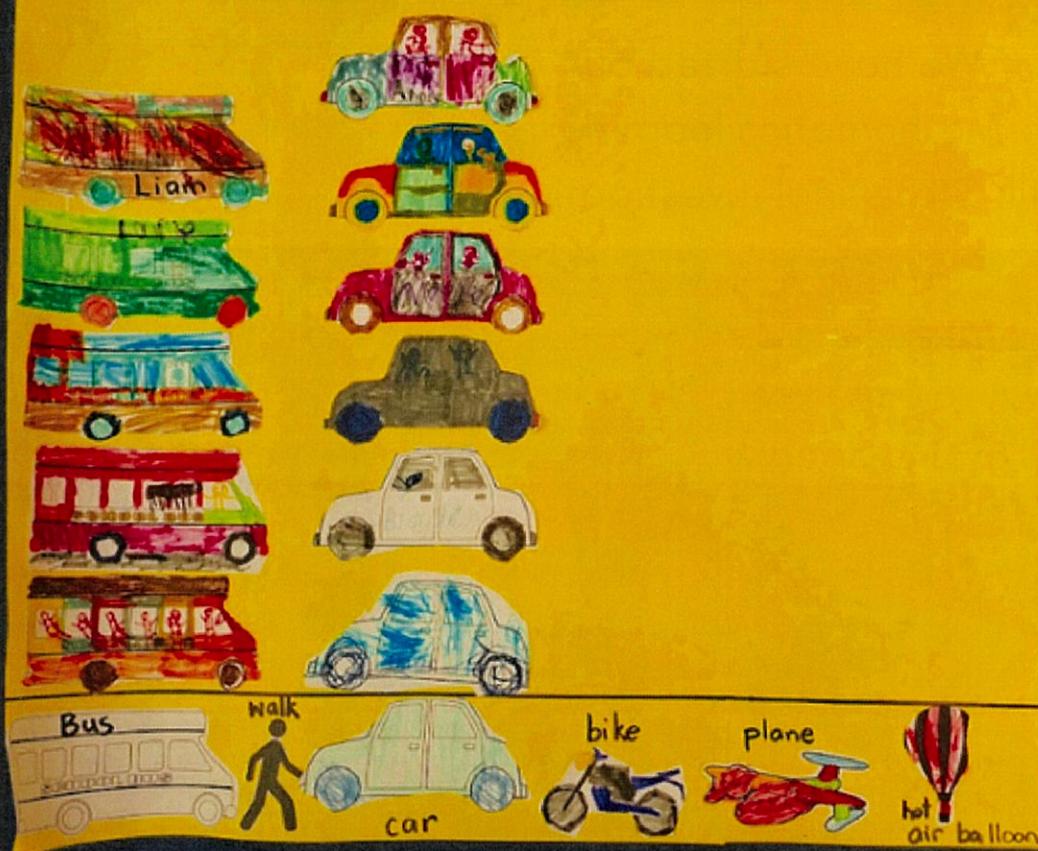
We have started our Mathematics learning with Statistical investigations



We have measured how tall we are to start the year and are looking forward to see how much we grow in 2026.

We read the story 'Our Teacher Miss Pool', no one comes to school in a hot air balloon like Miss Pool did! But lots of Kōwhai children come to school by car and bus.

How do you get to school?



- Most come to school in a car.
- 5 Kōwhai children come to school by bus.
- No one in Kōwhai class walk to school. It would take too long!
- It would be fun to come to school on a bike, or in a plane or hot air balloon just like 'Our Teacher Miss Pool' in the book.

WHAT is your FAVOURITE COLOUR?



It is fun to hunt around our classroom and find objects that are the colour/s that we like!

HVP Stock Scheme

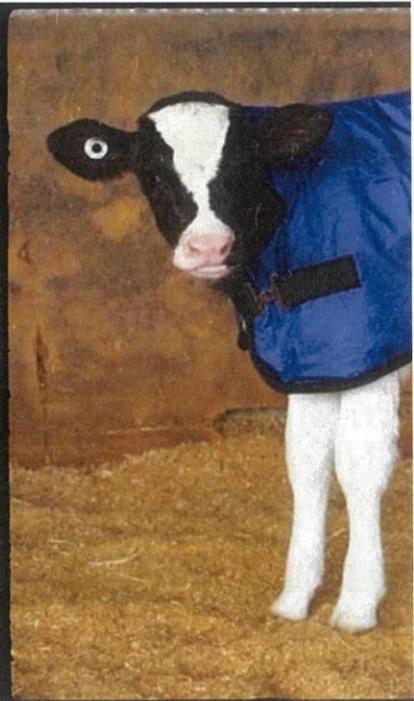
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Each year, our Home and School team fundraises through the stock donation scheme. Families can donate or graze a calf.

If you would like to get involved, touch base with James 0274126461.



On behalf of Hauroko Valley Primary School we **THANK** the following families who have donated or grazed a calf to support us. All fundraising directly benefits our children, in so many ways. **THANKS**



Donated

Goodwright, Patterson,
Deans, Harris, Bennett,
Kelly, Sanford, Hopcroft,
Gow, Ridley, Jordan,
Pieper, Slee, Hays

Grazers

Parris, Gray, Deans, Harris,
King, Sanford, Hopcroft, Gow,
Ridley, Macpherson,
Blair-Edie, Diack, O'Brien,
Naylor, Pont, Clarke,
Chamberlain, Robertson,
Patterson, Bell, Legg

Thank You!

STUDENT LEADERS

Introducing our 2026 school leaders
Jake, Finley, Angus, Isaac and Lola.



HAUROKO ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Principal Awards - named as below, not photographed

Kōwhai - Maeve for superb focus and fluency in structured literacy reading.

Matarā - Zara for demonstrating all of our school values by standing up and supporting others.

Matarā - Bear for being focused to complete dictation sentences for structured literacy spelling.

Tōtara - Ava for excellent diligence in structured literacy spelling.

Tōtara - Dara for demonstrating focus in structured literacy spelling.

Rātā - Layla for impressive Structured Literacy Stage 4 results.

Rātā - Flynn for scoring 100% in a structured literacy spelling test and sharing new knowledge of a concept.

Rātā - Aydee for actively seeking leadership opportunities.

Rātā - Carter for sourcing new knowledge and imparting this with others in Year 7&8 for a spelling concept.

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 Histories, or Health and Physical Education learning. Well done on your progress and achievements!



TERM DATES



Term 1

Monday 2nd February - Thursday 2nd April

Public Holiday - Waitangi Day - Friday 6th February

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

Week 3

- Monday 16th February - Board Meeting 7.30 pm
- Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th February - EOTC Year 7&8 Have A Go
- Wednesday 18th February - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 19th February - KSOM
- Friday 20th February - Year 7&8 Technology at Waiau Area School
- Friday 20th February - Life Education Bus

Week 4

- Monday 23rd February - Life Education Bus (double session for Rātā)
- Wednesday 25th February - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 26th February - KSOM
- Thursday 26th February - Weaving Wellbeing Workshop Year 7&8
- Thursday 26th February - Matai Assembly from 2.30 pm in the MPB
- Friday 27th February - HVP & WAS Athletics at Waiau Area School

Week 5

- Wednesday 4th March - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 5th March - KSOM
- Friday 6th March - Western Athletics at Takitimu Primary School

Week 6

- Wednesday 11th March - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 12th March - KSOM
- Friday 13th March - Year 7&8 Technology at Waiau Area School

Week 7

- Monday 16th March - Board Meeting 7.30 pm
- Wednesday 18th March - Kōwhai & Matai Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 19th March - KSOM
- Friday 20th March - Year 7&8 Technology at Waiau Area School
- Saturday 21st March - Southland Athletics Championships

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;

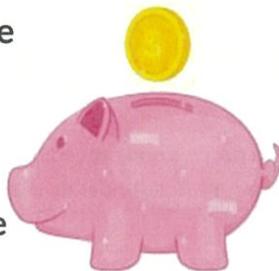
1. Use our school student management system via the HERO Linc-Ed App.
2. Ring and speak with Karen, or leave a message on the school phone at 032266753.
3. Email Karen at office@haurokovalley.school.nz - she will enter the absence, and this advises classroom teachers.
4. Text Karen 0277777520.

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

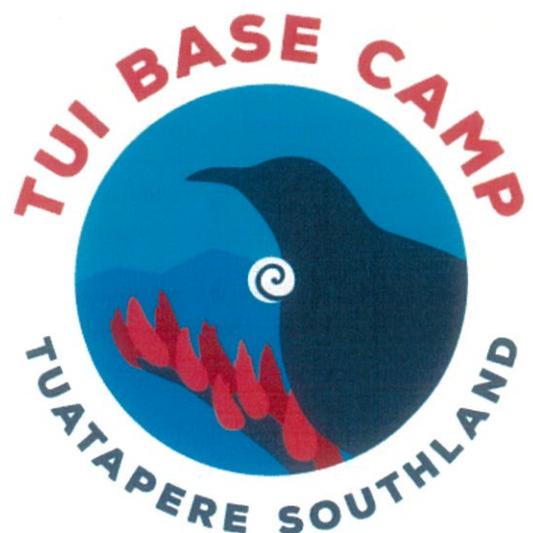
Dagwood \$7

Muffin \$5

Cheese Roll \$3

Scone \$5

Sausage Roll \$6



POLICIES/PROCEDURES

Our School's Policies and Procedures are managed online by SchoolDocs. They are maintained and updated regularly to make sure they comply with the Ministry of Education requirements and follow the Ministry's best-practice guidelines.

To familiarise yourself with SchoolDocs, go to the Parents and Whānau section on the SchoolDocs site – it has a brief description of SchoolDocs, and important information about parent involvement, communication and reporting, community conduct expectations, and social media guidelines. There is also a Quick Links for Parents and Whānau topic with links to the most relevant policies and procedures.

Policies are reviewed at regular intervals. Reviews are open to the board, staff, parents/caregivers/whānau. Reviewers can rate policy content as well as its implementation, and they can offer comments on both.

In Term 1, we are reviewing the following policies;

Term 1 policies	Review opens 26 January
• Alcohol, Drugs, and Other Harmful Substances Policy	Board review
• Sun Protection	Board review
• Digital Technology and Online Safety	Board review
• Cellphones and Other Personal Digital Devices	

Use Username: haurokovalley and Password: 3938



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ABOUT THE REVIEW PROCESS

The SchoolDocs review process allows the school community to provide feedback on policies and procedures, and ensures information stays up to date. See the **Current Review** tab at the top of your site for more information about what's under review each term.

Policies under review have a **Start your review** button. Reviews open at the start of each term, and anyone in the school community can submit a review.

Currently under review

Start your review

Select your role at the school and follow the instructions to provide feedback on policies under review.



Staff member
Board member
Whānau
Student

The review schedule indicates policies that are particularly important for the board to review, but all reviewers are welcome to submit feedback.

Reviewers can provide feedback on the **content** and **implementation** of policies that are under review.

Content feedback is for suggesting how policy information could be improved for schools.

Implementation feedback is for letting your school know how well the policy is being implemented.

When you've entered any comments and ratings, you can submit your review. You can also choose to be emailed a copy of your feedback.

Submit review



WHAT HAPPENS TO REVIEW FEEDBACK?

Your feedback is sent to the SchoolDocs team, and to designated staff and board members at your school. The SchoolDocs team uses content feedback to make changes to policy information for all schools.

UNIFORM TOPS



Polar Fleece Top

Polyester fleece with full zip and 2 side pockets. Hauroko Valley Primary School logo is embroidered on the front.
www.uniformnz.com



Polo Shirts

Short sleeve royal blue moisture-wicking cotton polo shirt, with a contrast panel and school logo on the left chest.
www.uniformnz.com



Merino Jumper

Optional - 100% merino jumper in navy blue with ½ zip.
This is available from True Fleece. Contact Karen for further details for ordering, as we purchase this as a group to get a discount



Thermal Long Sleeve Top

Thermal long sleeve navy quick drying and lightweight top for under polo shirts or sports tops.
Any store that has navy.



Sports Tee

The crew t-shirt is a top used when we are representing Hauroko Valley as our sports uniform.
www.uniformnz.com



Sports Singlet

This is our school's sports singlet. It can be worn for athletics, cross country and other sports when representing HVP.
www.uniformnz.com



Raincoat

The Hauroko Valley Primary School raincoat is lined. Hauroko Valley lettering is on the back of the jacket. www.uniformnz.com
There is also the option of a black or navy puffer jacket or similar to wear to and from school. Available at various stores.



Year 7&8 Jacket

NB: Only for Year 7&8 students. Soft shell jacket with bonded inner fleece. Water repellent, wind resistant, concealed hood and shaped back tail. Side and chest zip pockets. www.uniformnz.com

Most of our school uniform can be purchased from www.uniformnz.com (apart from the skort)

Please note, no brands e.g: CCC Canterbury shorts are not part of our uniform.

We also have second hand uniform options through Nikki. Please contact Nikki via 0275062673

NB: This jacket is just for our Year 7&8 Senior Leavers.

UNIFORM BOTTOMS

Hauroko Valley Primary School uniform is available to view at the school office.

Black shoes are available for purchase from a variety of stores online and elsewhere.



Shorts

Shorts - polyester satin-backed microfibre. Mid-thigh length, elastic waist & 2 hip pockets. Suitable for male and female students. NB: Any branded shorts are not our school uniform.
www.uniformnz.com



Skort

Hauroko Valley Primary Skort. Royal Blue/White Check, with a small white pinstripe. Poly/Viscose fabric. Looks like a skirt, has shorts underneath. Half elastic waist at the back. This can be purchased through Poppet.
www.poppetclothing.co.nz



Cargo Pants

Heavy Duty Easy Care Polyester/Cotton Side Cargo Pockets
 Elasticated Waist and Drawstring
 Double Reinforced Knee.
www.uniformnz.com



Warm Up Pants

This is for sports wear when representing Hauroko Valley. 100% Polyester peached finished outer trackpant. PU Coating for showerproofing. Single Jersey lining marle colour. Elasticated waist with drawcord. Two side zip up pockets. Zip from knee to hem and elasticated hem. www.uniformnz.com



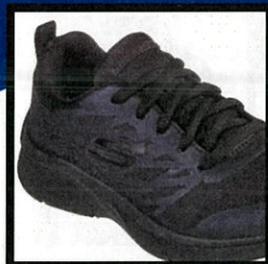
Socks

Plain black or navy socks below the knee. White, black, or navy ankle socks. Available from various suppliers.
 NB: No branding on socks.



Stockings

Long navy blue stockings for winter. These can be cotton or merino. Available from various places.



Footwear

Hauroko Valley Primary School footwear includes only black shoes - sandals, leather shoes, and/or black sneakers. Available to purchase from sports or shoe stores.



Jacket

This year, we are offering students the opportunity to wear to/from school a warmer jacket during the colder months e.g. puffer jacket. This needs to be black or full navy and is for wearing to and from school and while outdoors..

If you have any questions to support purchasing of our school uniform, please contact our school office 03-2266753.

Our socks are plain navy, black or white. No coloured socks, or socks with brands on.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

INVERCARGILL

ROCK 'n' ROLL CLUB Inc.

CHILDREN'S LESSONS

18th FEBRUARY 2026

5:30-6:30PM

Runs for 6 weeks

Held at the Invercargill Working Men's Club

\$50 PER CHILD

Send our Facebook page a message or Wendy on 027 379 7227

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ROCK 'n' ROLL CLUB Inc.

ADULT BEGINNERS LESSONS

18th FEBRUARY 2026

6:30-7:30PM

Runs for 6 weeks

Held at the Invercargill Working Men's Club

\$50 PER PERSON

Send our Facebook page a message or Wendy on 027 379 7227

IN-CONFIDENCE

Become an Oranga Tamariki Foster Caregiver in Southland

Help make a Difference in a Child's Life!

Are you ready to provide a safe, loving, and supportive home for a child in need? Oranga Tamariki is looking for caring individuals and families who can help children in care to grow, heal, and thrive.

We are currently seeking caregivers who can offer:

- A safe and nurturing environment
- Emotional and physical support to children in need
- A commitment to helping a child reach their full potential

As an Oranga Tamariki caregiver, you'll receive training, 24/7 support, and a financial allowance to assist with the care of the child. You'll also join a network of compassionate individuals dedicated to making a lasting, positive impact in the lives of children.

Who can become a caregiver?

- People with a genuine desire to care for children
- Families, singles, and couples
- People with different life experiences, backgrounds, and cultural connections

Every child deserves the chance to grow up in a loving, stable home. Could that home be with you?



Contact us today to learn more about joining the Southland caregiving whānau.

Call: **Isla Hardy**
 Email: isla.hardy@ot.govt.nz
 Website: orangatamariki.govt.nz

Together, we can make a brighter future for children in Southland!



