

Hauroko

VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



*our people. our place.
our stories*

Principal Post

21st-25th September

Kia ora e te whānau, kumusta, ayubowan,

We loved spending time in Tuatapere as part of Making Our Mark! It was a wonderful afternoon for our Year 1-7 learners to get out into our community, visit local businesses and organisations, and say a heartfelt thank you to the people who live and work in Tuatapere. Our learners covered much of the town, and we hope our small gesture of appreciation made a difference. Sorry if we missed you – we'll just have to keep making our mark! Thank you, Tuatapere, for being such an important part of our school community.

Well done to Della and Angus, who again impressed with their extremely well-written speeches and high-quality presentations. We are incredibly proud of your achievement. Our goal is always to have a student reach the Southland Speech Grand Final – this year, we had two! A fantastic achievement to celebrate.

Congratulations to our Year 7 SMAC Maths team who attended the Southland SMAC Maths Competition at JHHS. Layla, Jackson, Cohen and Oscar impressed with their mathematical knowledge and problem-solving skills, tackling as many challenges as possible within the time provided. Thank you, Jasmine, for supporting the crew with transport and attendance!

A huge thank you to DJ Pierson for providing a great mix of music for our disco. We're also grateful to our Year 7 & 8 Events Team for organising the decorations, theme and fun! The limbo and conga line were definite highlights, with plenty of laughs, dancing and great energy throughout the afternoon.

Two Year 6 girls, Lauren and Della, inspired the talent show. It was a wonderful opportunity for several brave students and staff to share their talents, with a fantastic range of acts including magic tricks, Highland dancing and drumming, singing and drama, making for very entertaining performances.

We have entered all the Term 4 dates we currently have. It's our final stretch of the year and, as always, a busy one! Our Year 7 & 8 students will need to keep track of important dates and ensure they are well prepared for events such as their Dunedin EOTC, Technology, Adventure Race and Hump Ridge Track etc....

Preparation for the Hump Ridge Track needs to happen at both home and school. We provide a couple of practice walks, but Year 7 & 8 students will need to complete additional walks before camp. We strongly recommend walking in the footwear they will use on the track and carrying a pack to get used to the extra weight. Please note that on the final day, there is no guarantee the helicopter will be able to collect packs, so students need to be prepared to carry their own pack out.

Thank you all for your ongoing support of our school. We truly value the difference our whānau and community make in the opportunities and experiences we can provide for our tamariki.

We wish you all the best for the holidays. A time to refresh, recharge, and enjoy quality time with family and friends.

On behalf of the Hauroko Valley team,
Julia

**ALWAYS OUR BEST/
TONU TO TATOU PAI**



KSOM or Kennedy School of Music is a private company based in Invercargill who is on site at Hauroko Valley Primary School each Thursday. This gives any students from 5-13 years an opportunity to learn an instrument - drums, ukulele, vocals/singing, percussion, guitar, keyboard. (Sometimes, they even have spaces for adults).

Lessons are scheduled for Thursday mornings and students pop out of class and return after their session. It enables those that want to learn music to receive tuition without the travel time and also the additional costs of transport. A small transport cost is included and spread across each student, and no travel time, just a couple of minutes.

Lessons are generally 15 to 30 minutes, so children are only out of class for a short time. For those children wanting to develop a skill, grow a talent or build patience, discipline and enjoyment in music - get into it today!

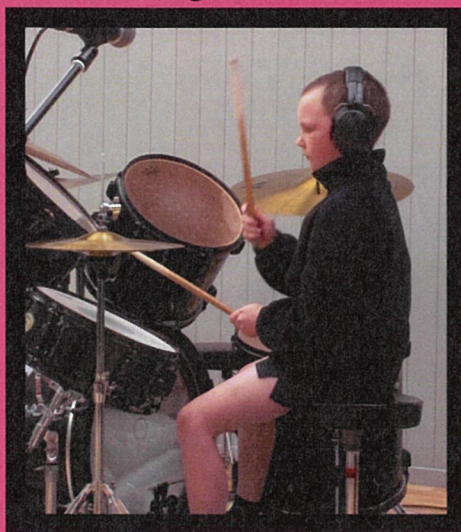
This year's students impressed us with their concert; it was polished and showcased a range of talents by individuals and groups in vocals, drums, keyboard, bass and guitar.

If you would like further information, please contact KSOM directly. info@ksom.nz



KSOM.

Kennedy School Of Music





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Making Our Mark



visiting local businesses



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giving to those who



IF IT'S A WET DAY WE STILL PLAY OUTSIDE



The Southland wet and cold muddy weather doesn't stop our creative juices flowing during our free lunchtime play activities. At lunchtime, if the rain bell rings to indicate it's time to go inside, generally students are disappointed. At Hauroko Valley Primary School, this doesn't stop us! Why? Because we can pop on wet weather gear, including a raincoat, overalls or overpants, and gumboots, then continue to play.

Students are digging trenches, rivers, and ponds in the sandpit, stomping around muddy puddles on the school field, heading into the back paddock to hide amongst greenery, and running around the tracks and playing games with friends.

This has been game-changing for our learners. Physical activity is a regular part of our children's lives, both at home and school.

The WILD ZONE

Our Health & Physical Lead Sally has been on a quest with our learners, families and staff to create a space for free play that enables our children to utilise the back paddock in everyday learning experiences.

Through the support of Richie Crean from Active Southland, an application was put forward to the Te Manawa Fund. This is a Sport New Zealand funding scheme that supports play, active recreation, and sport projects for children and young people.

This was successful and enabled us to complete Phase 1: fence the back paddock, mow to maintain tracks, and include shelter through native tree planting. Phase 2 involved purchasing a storage shed, portable outdoor shelters, and wet weather gear - jackets, overalls, and gumboots.

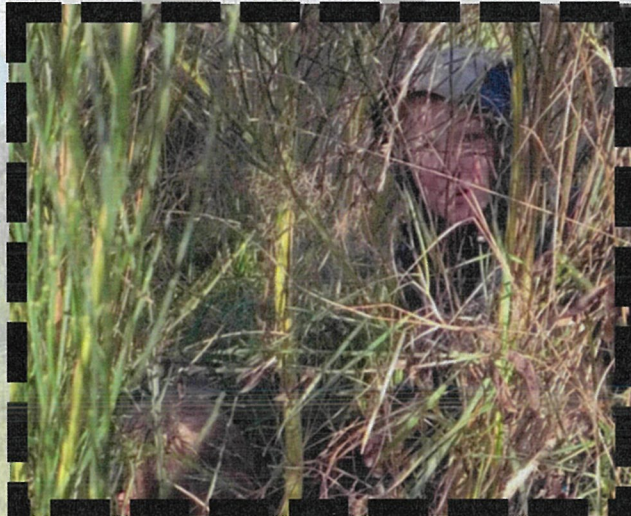
The space and the opportunity to play in "The Wild Zone" has been welcomed by many students. They have access at lunchtimes multiple times a week to play. Staff also have access to utilise this space with their class for Education Outside The Classroom learning.

Ask your child

- What activities do they enjoy engaging with in The Wild Zone?
- How do they use the wet weather gear?
- Who do they play with in The Wild Zone?
- What else would they like to play with in this space?

We are excited to be moving into Phase 3 - incorporating more native planting and natural play structures to provide additional shelter and play spaces for our tamariki.

This space has become a special place for our children, and they are proud to be leading with student voice and action. It is about tuakana-teina relationships, problem solving, collaboration and sparking joy through engaging in fun free adventures with others.



HAUROKO ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Principal Awards

Kōwhiri - Liam, you show enthusiasm for learning and enjoy sharing this. We are so proud of your work. Ka pai!

Matai - Dex, for approaching your learning with perseverance. Your can-do attitude makes us proud. Tino pai!

Matai - Ada, you connect positively with others and help make Matai a welcoming place for everyone. Ka rawe!

Tōtara - Abby, for eagerly sharing your learning, ideas, and thinking. Your enthusiasm and confidence make a positive difference to our learning whānau. Miharo mahi!

Tōtara - Neilina for stepping up to leadership opportunities with confidence and a can-do attitude. You lead by example, support others. Ka pai!

Tōtara - Aoife for thinking for yourself, sharing your ideas boldly and embracing learning in your own unique way. Keep making your mark! Ka pai tō mahi!

Rata - Jackson, for continuing to grow in confidence in yourself and as a learner. Keep making your mark!

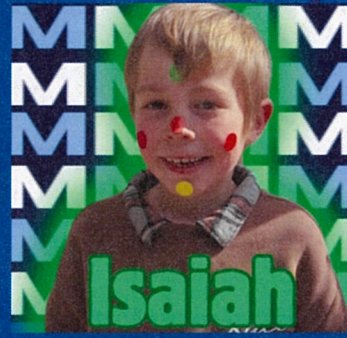
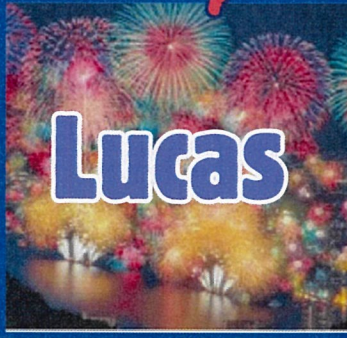
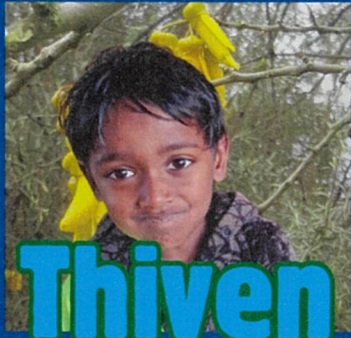
Rāta - Aydee, your initiative and reliability make a real difference to our school whānau. Tau kē!

Rāta - Dusty, your approach to others and your learning with honesty, confidence and a genuine sense of who you are. Tino pai!

Rāta - Jake, for your curiosity, thinking, and eagerness to contribute, which enriches the learning of those around you. Ka pai tō mahi!

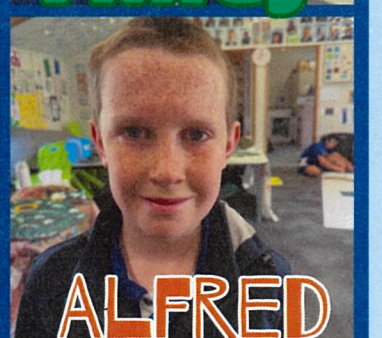
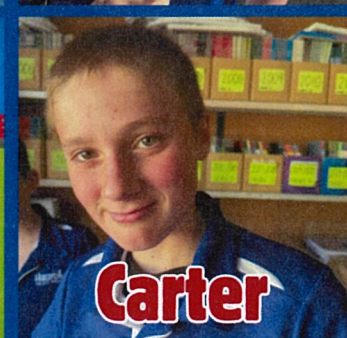
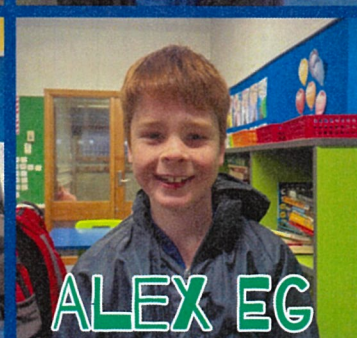
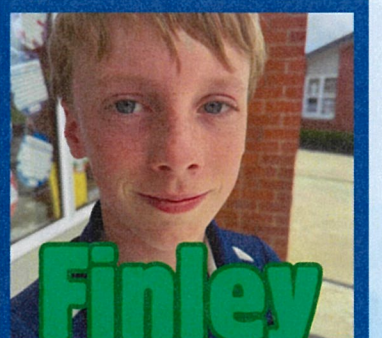
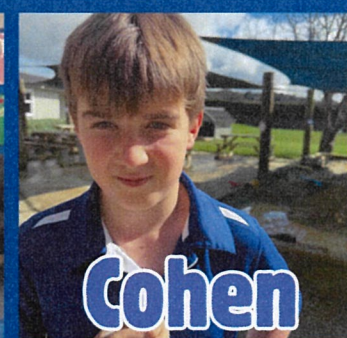
Rāta - Cohen, for leading with confidence and capability, and for speaking so thoughtfully to express your thanks to others, on behalf of Hauroko Valley. Kei runga noa atu koe!

Hauroko Valley 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!





Hauroko
VALLEY PRIMARY

AMBROSE GOLF FUNDRISE

FUNDRAISER FOR HUMPRIDGE TRACK CAMP

23RD OCTOBER 2026 10:30 TEE OFF
\$200 PER TEAM OF 4

THIS INCLUDES:

GREEN FEES, BBQ LUNCH, HOMEMADE BAKING,
CADDY FOR HOLES 1&2, FREE ENTRY INTO NOVELTY
HOLES, ONE FREE TICKET INTO THE
RAFFLE HAMPER DRAW

To enter go to Hauroko Valley
Facebook page or email
s.dobson@haurokovalley.school.nz



Western Primary & Intermediate School Venue: Holt Park, Otautau

Games will be played between 4 pm and 5.30pm on Mondays

****Times may change subject to team entries****

Grades: Mixed only Year 1/2,3/4,5/6,7/8

Fees : \$26 per player

Format: Six weeks of competition

No Games on Monday 26th October because of Labour Day

First Games: Monday 19th October 2026

Last Games: Monday 30th November 2026

Catch up day: Monday 7th December 2026

Entries Close: Thursday 24th September 2026

Year 1/2		Y 5/6	Y7/8	Y 7/8
Hauroko Hounds		Hauroko Heroes	Hauroko Hawks	Hauroko Hurricanes
Madison Wilson		Riley Van Dam	Ruby Chamberlain	Dusty Pont
Dex de Vries		Memphis Hays	Cohen Hays	Angus Blair-Edie
Louie Kaiser		Aoife Gow	Flynn Cade	Oscar Van Dam
Lucy Case		Dara Legg	Hadlee Bennett	Carter McGregor
Charlie Case		Bear de Vries	Lola Gow	Layla Pont
Liam Gow		Tanner Hays	Griffin Greer	Grace Hewitt
		Eve Jordan	Jake Gray	Caitlin Parris
		Grace Jordan		Finley Clarke
6	0	8	7	8
TBC		Coach Blayne	Coach Dean Hays	Coach Jayne Blair-Edie
Manager: Anna		Jasmine Van Dam	Manager Kaylene	

TERM 4 DATES

Week 1

- Monday 12th October - Term 4 Starts
- Wednesday 14th October - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 15th October - KSOM - Kennedy School of Music Lessons
- Friday 16th October - Year 7&8 Blackmount Walk

Week 2

- Monday 19th October - Western Southland Golf Festival in Riverton
- Monday 19th October - Science Road Show & Splash Palace Years 4-6
- Monday 19th October - Board Meeting 7.30 pm
- Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st October for Year 8s EOTC to Dunedin.
- Wednesday 21st October - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 22nd October - KSOM
- Friday 23rd October- Rātā Golf Fundraiser at Tuatapere Golf Course

Week 3

- Monday 26th October - Labour Day Public Holiday No School
- Tuesday 27th October - Hauroko Valley Pet Day
- Wednesday 28th October - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 29th October - KSOM
- Friday 30th October - Lake Hauroko Walk Year 7&8

Week 4

- Wednesday 4th November - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 5th November - KSOM
- Thursday 5th November - Technology at Waiau Area School

Week 5

- Wednesday 11th November - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Wednesday 11th, Thursday 12th and Friday 13th November Hump Ridge Track Year 7&8
- Thursday 12th November - KSOM

Week 6

- Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th Massey University in for Healthy Active Learning
- Wednesday 18th November - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 19th November - KSOM
- Thursday 19th November - Adventure Race Year 7&8
- Friday 20th November - Jonty Carrans Tackle 10's in Otautau - Girls - Year 7&8 and boys TBC
- Friday 20th November - Year 8 Leavers Dinner.

Week 7

- Teachers Only Days x2 - Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th November
- Bannockburn Camp Year 5&6 Wednesday 25th, Thursday 26th, and Friday 27th Nov

Week 8

- Wednesday 2nd December - Discovery Learning 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 3rd December - KSOM
- Thursday 3rd December - Technology Year 7&8
- Friday 4th December - Year 8 BIG Day Out

Week 9

- Tuesday 8th December - Parent-Teacher Meetings
- Wednesday 9th December - Discovery Learning 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Wednesday 9th December - Parent-Teacher Meetings
- Thursday 10th December - KSOM
- Thursday 10th December - Technology

Week 10

- Monday 14th December - Board Meeting 7.30 pm
- Wednesday 16th December - Last Day of Term 4. No Discovery.
- Wednesday 16th December - HVP Production & Prize Giving at Tuatapere RSA Hall
- Thursday 17th December - Year 8's Wayne Egerton Art (half of the group TBC)
- Friday 18th December - Year 8's Wayne Egerton Art (half of the group TBC)

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;

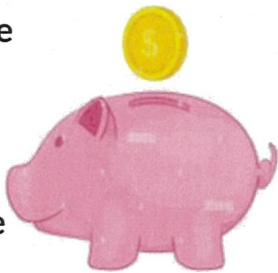
1. Use our school student management system via the HERO Linc-Ed App.
2. Ring and speak with Karen, or leave a message on the school phone at 032266753.
3. Email Karen at office@haurokovalley.school.nz - she will enter the absence, and this advises classroom teachers.
4. Text Karen 0277777520.

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



TERM 3 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

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Mon 28 - Wed 30
September

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Cost: \$60 per day | \$165 for all three days

ZERO EFFORT. MAX PARENTING POINTS.



Tues 29 September -
Sat 3 October

Adventure Park ft. Bounce House

Sessions: 10am, 11am, 12pm,
2pm, 3pm & 4pm daily

Cost: \$15 General Admission

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK:

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Join us these
School Holidays

SEPT 28	BOOGIE BEATS Music and Movement Ages 0-5 year olds 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	OCT 05	BOOGIE BEATS Music and Movement Ages 0-5 year olds 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
SEPT 28	BAND IN A WEEK Perfect for Confident Players Ages 9 year+ 4pm - 5pm Everyday	OCT 06	BAND IN A WEEK Perfect for Confident Players Ages 9 year+ 4pm - 5pm Everyday
SEPT 29	RETRO DISCO Explore a Variety of Instruments Ages 5-14 year 9am - 4pm	OCT 07	HONKY-TONK HOEDOWN Explore a Variety of Instruments Ages 5-14 year 9am - 4pm
SEPT 30	BAND SESSION AM Perfect for Confident Players Ages 9 year+ 9am - 12pm	OCT 08	KEYBOARD CAMP Keyboard Workshop Ages 5-13 year olds 9am - 12pm
OCT 01	KEYBOARD CAMP Keyboard Workshop Ages 5-13 year olds 9am - 12pm	OCT 09	DRUM CAMP Drum Workshop Ages 5 year+ 9am - 12pm
OCT 01	BAND SESSION PM Perfect for Confident Players Ages 9 year+ 1pm - 3:30pm		
OCT 02	GUITAR HEROES Guitar Workshop Ages 7 year+ 9am - 12pm		

SCAN HERE

KSOM
KENNEDY SCHOOL OF MUSIC



2026/2027 TUATAPERE Community Pool OPENING

The pool will be open for use from
SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2026
OPENING DAY 11.00AM – 2.00PM

Come along on opening day to purchase your key
and get your tag activated.

2026/27 PRICING LIST:

- Family Key \$200
- Buddy Key \$200
- Senior Citizens \$170
- Access tag \$15

\$10 OFF KEY
if paid on opening day

Payment plans can be
organised.
Contact Minessa or
Kaitlyn directly.

CONTACT TO PURCHASE A KEY:

Kaitlyn Mullally 027 304 1102 or Minessa Erskine 027 311 2112
or via Tuatapere community pool FB page
or Tuataperepool51@gmail.com

Waiau Swimming Club

We warmly welcome returning and new swimmers to the 2026/27 swimming season. Catering for all levels. A supportive club.

Season Start

Sessions begin on Tuesday 13 October and Thursday 15 October 2026. Please attend on your preferred evening so we can assess swimmers and organise groups before regular sessions begin the following week.

Session Times

- Little pool and width swimmers: from 3:30 pm
- Half-length and individual-length swimmers: from 4:00 pm
- Multiple-length swimmers: from 4:30 pm

Coaching Support

If you are interested in helping with coaching, please contact Nic Mitchell 021 815 531. All assistance is greatly appreciated.

Enquiries

For any questions, please contact Kaylene on 027 432 7156 or kaylene@beachvalley.co.nz.



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MŌRENA,

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- » 5 mistakes to avoid during an epic meltdown
- » The rejection reset
- » Navigating co-parenting with confidence
- » Tiny talk, big impact!
- » Bali bliss: ideas for your next family holiday
- » Get hooked on books!
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