

Newsletter - Issue #19

Week: 14th July - 18th July 2025

Welcome back to our learners and families. We extend a warm welcome to Lucas, who joins Kōwhai class.

This year, Hauroko Valley entered three pieces of artwork for the Miharo Polyfest Cultural Art Competition. The first was a totem pole taniwha art made by Mataī with Mrs Harris. The second was our native birds, completed by Tōtara and linocut prints created by Rātā, both completed under the tutelage of talented artist Whaea Andrea. Congratulations to Team Tōtara, who have secured an invitation to the Mīharo Polyfest Arts & Cultural Exhibition. Layla and Della accepted the award on behalf of their class at the evening presentation, receiving the "Māori Culture & Heritage Award, Primary School".

End of Term 2 Parent-Teacher Interviews. Overall attendance 79%. If you didn't get a chance to meet with classroom teachers, please arrange a time. Whenever you have questions to ask or things to discuss, please get in contact, don't leave it until the end of the Term or Year. Ongoing discussions regarding your child's/children's learning are key to continued success for us all.

Livestock Legends - congratulations to our Year 7 boys team that qualified to represent Hauroko Valley and Otago/Southland at the NZ Young Farmers Grand Final for **AgriKids**. We are proud of their teamwork as they problem-solved, collaborated, and had to remember health and safety for every module. They competed at Nationals in the first week of the holidays in Winton. It was a pleasure to attend and see the team in action. Well done to Jake, Dusty, and Angus for their continued skill and knowledge building in their quest to the final. Thank you to their families and friends, as this does require additional support. They were placed 2nd in the Ag Quiz, 2nd in the Ag Modules, and completed the race off with gusto, to finish 6th out of 21 teams from across Aotearoa.

Science and Technology Fair is a focus for our Year 5-8 students in Term 3. This is a formal opportunity where students are required to complete either a Science Investigation or design a Technological Product. This requires a great deal of work, over and above what is allocated within our balanced curriculum. Any students in Years 5-8 are welcome to participate in this; however, there needs to be a consideration of the out-of-school hours that will be required, and parental support to ensure these meet the expectations needed to present projects at the Southland Level. A guideline of this will be sent home with each child interested in pursuing this, this term. Please follow up with classroom teachers if you require further information.

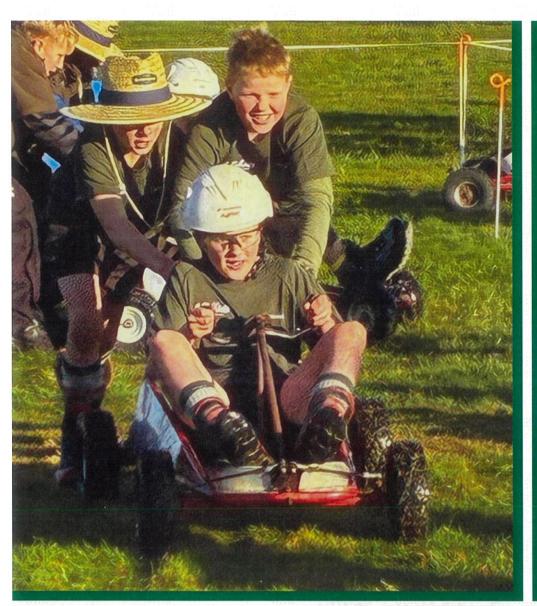
Discovery for our 4-year-olds looking to enrol at Hauroko Valley Primary School, as a great way to transition to school, is held each Wednesday. (Note a change from our usual Thursdays.) It starts at 1.30 pm and concludes at 3.00 pm. The focus is on providing opportunities for learners to lead their collaboration, problem-solving, and exploration through hands-on activities.

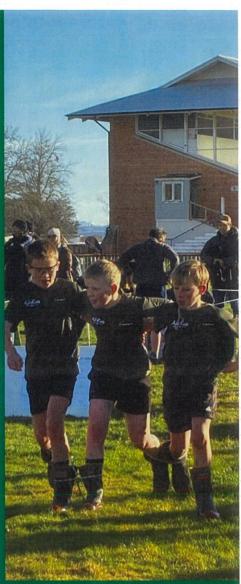
Technology - cooking is on the agenda for our Year 7&8's in Term 3. We have designated this to Alice, so this will be 4 days across the term, most likely a Friday, to avoid clashes on Thursday with KSOM. The first session is Friday, 25th July, so students will be transported to and from Waiau Area School via bus, departing HVP by 8.30 am.

This term features **Poetry Recitals** for our Year 0-3 students, where a poem is selected with the support of classroom teachers and presented to friends and family. Meanwhile, our Year 4-8 students have been busy preparing **speeches** for presentation. This is a highlight on our school calendar, as we pride ourselves on the quality of presentations in both poetry and speeches. Save the date - Friday 8th August.

HVP returns to the **Miharo Polyfest** stage for our presentation on Friday, 22nd August, from 11.20 am. Each week, we are rehearsing waiata in preparation. Our Year 6-8 boys are learning our school haka, while our Year 5-8 girls are preparing a waiata poi. We have a 20-minute package. Our whole school will take a bus to the performance. We ask that you arrange for a pickup of your child after we have finished performing to return the children home. Thanks!

On behalf of the Hauroko Valley Primary School team, Julia Waikato, Principal/Tumuaki









Our Livestock Legends team of Dusty, Jake, and Angus qualified for the 2025 National Young Farmers AgriKids. The team competed at the Grand Final in Winton in early July. They completed several agricultural modules including - a general knowledge quiz where they were placed 2nd! Next up they competed in the Race Off, where teams had to complete tasks, within a set time frame. The final challenges were seven modules, all with an agriculture focus, where the Livestock Legends were again placed 2nd. Overall our boys were placed 6th out of 21 teams from across the motu. Top work team!

LIVESTOCK LEGENDS







Firewise is a fire safety education programme for Years 0-3. Our younger students enjoyed seeing the fire fighters uniform up close, and meeting some of our local heroes.

Students gained valuable knowledge from our experts. We thank Loretta, Joe and Pete for sharing important information with us. We look forward to learning more over the Term.

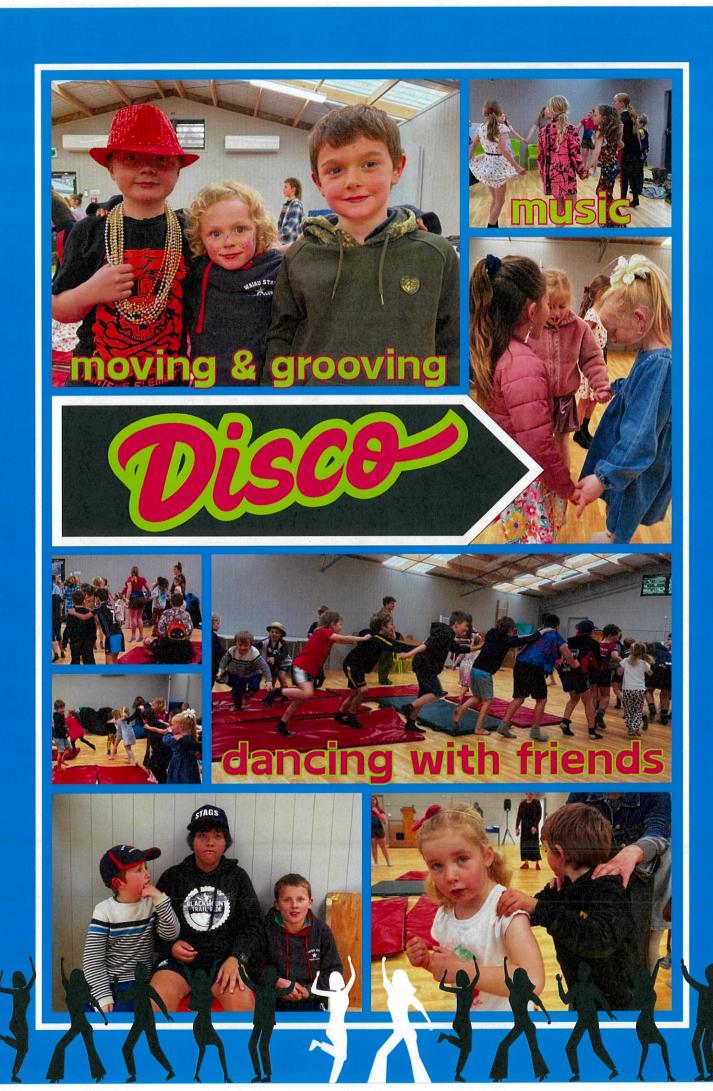
We have several parents that support our local fire brigades from Blackmount, Tuatapere, and Invercargill. We are learning how to stay safe and what role the fire fighters have in our community.













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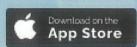
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DATES & EVENTS

Term 3 - Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September

Term 4 - Monday 6 October - Friday 19 December

Teachers Only Day - Friday 24th October
Public Holiday: Labour Day - Monday 27 October
HVP Pet Day - Tuesday 28th October

JULY

- Tuesday 22nd July Mitey Belinda in classes
- Wednesday 23rd July Structured Literacy Professional Learning for Staff
- Wednesday 23rd July Discovery Time 1.30 pm 3.00 pm
- Thursday 24th July KSOM
- Thursday 24th July Structured Literacy Professional Learning for Staff
- Friday 25th July Rātā Assembly 2.30 pm
- Wednesday 30th July Discovery Time 1.30 pm 3.00 pm
- Thursday 31st July KSOM

AUGUST

- Tuesday 5th August Year 5&6 Netty Festival in Winton
- \bullet Wednesday 6^{th} August Discovery Time 1.30 pm 3.00 pm
- Thursday 7th August Year 7&8 Netty Festival in Winton
- Thursday 7th August KSOM
- Friday 8th August Poetry and Speech Presentations
- Wednesday 13th August Discovery Time 1.30 pm 3.00 pm
- Thursday 14th August KSOM
- Friday 15th August HVP Ski Trip
- Friday 22nd August Hauroko Valley Primary School at Miharo Polyfest 11.20am

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:

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





COMMUNITY NOTICES

STREET TALK

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

This Defensive Driving course is designed to help participants identify and avoid, or handle potential hazards that they may encounter while driving.

This course will run over 4 sessions.
(Participants MUST attend all 4 sessions in order).

Cost: \$190 per person (includes a practical driving session).

- --- UNDER 25yrs Reduce Restricted licence time by 6 months.
- --- OVER 25yrs Reduce Restricted licence time by 3 months.

TUATAPERE: 31 JULY & 5, 7, 12, AUG

3.30pm - 5.30pm

Sign up to our Waiting List for future dates.



Contact Southern REAP to sign up: on info@reap.co.nz or phone: 0800 111 117

WWW.REAP.CO.NZ/WESTERNSOUTHLAND





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!





Taking People of all ages with Special Needs
Or Life long Medical Conditions

For a ride in a Big Rig, Classic Car or Hot Rod

VENUE: Southern Field Days Site, Waimumu

9th August 2025. 12pm till 3pm

Food and Drink provided on the day by Rapid Relief Team. Moreish food and coffee & Bees Bites.







Anyone wanting to Volunteer

their Time, Truck or Car to help out on the day please contact Dianne 027 7732700 or lan on 0204 335500 Check out our Facebook Page: Southland Hug a Rig Day

Tuatapere Community Pool AGM Wednesday July 23rd 7:00pm Tuatapere Base Camp All Welcome

Hi Tuatapere and surrounding families

We are holding our AGM soon and would love to see as many new faces as we can to help support the community pool. We are looking for new committee members and also need to fill the position of Treasurer and Secretary.

We hold meetings once a month during the open season (Sep – April) and every 2nd month during the off season (May – August). Have a few working bees through the year to keep the pool building, grounds up to standard and run some fundraisers. We do not expect you to be at every meeting, working bee or fundraiser but the more people on the committee means the work load can be spread much further

A small reminder that if we do not get more community support there is the chance that the pool will close as it is a lot to ask of our small committee to keep doing what they are doing. That would mean no more swimming club, no more school swimming, No more swimming. It would be a real shame to see this awesome community asset close

So please come to our AGM or get in contact via FB or email Tuataperepool51@gmail.com if you would like more information

Thank you, Tuatapere Community Pool Committee,

