

*Whanau fence posts,
-the stories of our people and place-
Supreme Winners at Miharo Cultural Art
Exhibition 2023*



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WEEKLY UPDATES

Week: 7th-11th Aug 2023

Nau mai hoki mai e te whānau, kamusta, ni hao. 你好。

Well done to those in Rata class that completed a Science Fair Investigation. This is a huge undertaking, as involves utilising the Scientific Method correctly including ensuring one variable and fair testing at least three times. 19 exhibits have been completed and presented to the Southland Science Fair Judges. We are proud of each of your experiments and the work involved. Thanks to families for supporting at home with investigations. Also, a huge thank you to classroom teachers, as I know this has involved several hours both in-class time and also out of hours. Fourteen of our children have been invited to attend the Southland Science Fair Prize Giving tonight to receive certificates/prizes, this is phenomenal, so well done.

Congratulations to the Waiau Rivercare Group for being recipients of the Community Service Award from the Tuatapere Community Board. The Southland District Council Community Service Award is to recognise individuals and groups who have provided significant and outstanding contributions to their local area through leadership, volunteering, or community service. We are proud of the involvement of our tamariki who are part of the WRG's Kaitiaki Guardians of the River Project.

Congratulations to our visual arts creative Mrs Harris, who has coordinated the completion of Hauroko Valley Primary School's tukutuku panels to represent each house. Rata class won the Primary Waihopai Runaka Māori Culture & Heritage Award for their Whare Tukutuku panels. Our whare panels tell the whakapapa of each house, who we are, where we come from. Each panel has a special story that accompanies it and tells the story of the board. Ngā whare whā, Kōtahi Kainga- Four whare (houses) but one village.

At Miharo, Hauroko Valley also entered a selection of our Whanau fence posts with a story from 10 of our families, about their post and Whakapapa. Our whanau fence posts won the Primary Kaitiaki Award AND the Johnny Peninsula Supreme Award!! Miharo!! Our whanau fence posts are a selection of our school fence posts that are due to be relocated and updated. Each fence post represents a school whanau, their story and what is important to their family, and where they are from. Students from 10 families, worked together with siblings to form a story to match and tell the story of their post. If you get a chance to visit the Miharo gallery over the next couple of weeks, it's well worth a look, with truly impressive displays from Southland Kindys and Kura.

In Term 4 of 2023, we look forward to adding to our collection of fence posts for those families that haven't had the opportunity to complete one. It is exciting to see your family's story represented to share our school's collective narratives. Now to find a space for these to be visible for us to share with others.

Nga mihi,
Julia on behalf of the HVP Staff



Tukutuku Panel CLIFDEN HOUSE

Our board represents the Clifden community and our school house. At the top of our Tukutuku panel, we have the Clifden caves. Like the caves, we are steadfast and strong as a house. The border around the cave represents a tight knit, supportive community. We work together to navigate and grow. In the middle section of the Tukutuku panel we have the historic suspension bridge. This is a landmark of the Clifden area and also a symbol of strength and innovation. The bridge was formed as a solution to cross the mighty Waiau river and it represents our house as problem solvers and critical thinkers. The last section of the panel represents the farming community, as it is a very important part of our district and for many of our school families. We have the sheep and cow and also the tractor forks. Like the farming community, our house cares for the land and environment. Lastly, we have the wind of Lake Hauroko at the bottom, this runs through all four Tukutuku panels because it signifies that although we are 4 separate whare, we make up one village.

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Tukutuku Panel ORAWIA HOUSE

At the top of the board, we have the whero and the ma connecting together as one, this represents the people of the Orawia district coming together to work as one just like the students in our house. A unified approach is always stronger and we support each other to succeed.

At the centre of our board, we have the Orawia War memorial, a prominent landmark of the Orawia community. The steps that form the memorial represent learning and growth and how we are always trying our best to do better. Building on one step at a time. The two sets of steps come together at the top to form the top of the monument. One side represents Orawia kura and the other represents Clifden kura and when they come together at the top it represents our kura-Hauroko Valley. This is the whakapapa of our school, our history and how we came to be. It tells our story. The bottom of the board represents the Orawia awa and how we flow together as a team. The very bottom section represents the howling wind from Lake Hauroko- this is on all 4 whare boards. We compete against each other to make each other stronger so that the village (school) is always striving to do our best.

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Tukutuku Panel TAKITIMU HOUSE

At the top of our Tukutuku panel, we have a border which represents our people and how we are a tight knit community much like the people who live at the base of the Takitimu mountains. We live in an isolated part of the world and working together to achieve and support each other is crucial. In the middle of the board we have the Takitimu mountain range, this represents the strength of our house and that we aim to achieve high. We have the summit of the maunga as we always aim for the top. No mountain is too high, we will climb and encourage each other to succeed. Below the maunga we have the Blackmount farming community who are supportive of each other much like the people in our school house. They represent longevity and a foundation for learning, being innovative and creative to form the best environment for farming and for us, the best environment for learning. Lastly, we have the wind from Lake Hauroko. Lake Hauroko is known in Maori as "sounding of the wind." We too, roar like the wind to show our house pride.

Tukutuku Panel WAIUAU HOUSE

The Waiau Tukutuku Panel proudly represents the strength of the mighty Waiau awa. We see ourselves as the awa- strong, steadfast and flowing in one direction to succeed. Through our awa, the native fish and tuna weave their way through, they represent the obstacles that we have to overcome to our achieve goals. The top corner of the panel has the Waiau Rivercare top- like the Rivercare group, we care for our community and people and we fight for what is best for our school and people. The large white crosses represent the 'hands of care' because we pride ourselves in looking out for one another and caring for each other. The Waiau, which translates into ' river of swirling currents' curves down our Tukutuku Panel. This represents how things are forever changing but as problem solvers, we are always adaptable much like the awa. We are the kaitiaki of the awa and the kaitiaki of our community. We are the future.

The wave that follows the river, represents how we are always striving to achieve and that our house is a force to be reckoned with. We will stop at nothing. We are strong, we have mana and we are a team.

At the bottom of our Tukutuku panel, we have the winds of Lake Hauroko representing the connection of all four school houses, linked all together as one mighty village.

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RATA WHARE PANELS



Miharo Polyfest Awards! Wow what a night! Rata class won the Primary Waihopai Runaka Māori Culture & Heritage Award for their Whare Tukutuku panels.

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Rata Writers



Sophie Parris



Hugo Gray



Paetyn Hays

Check it out!

- Three outstanding pieces of writing published in the latest Toi Toi.
- Exceptional writing- well done Hugo, Sophie + Paetyn!!

HAUROKO HAPPENINGS

TERM 3 DATES

AUGUST

- Southland Science Fair Prize Giving - 11th August
- HVP School Ski Trip - 14th August
- ICAS English - Sitting dates 14th-18th August
- Southland Netball Tournament Year 5&6 - 15th August
- Southland Netball Tournament Year 7&8 - 16th August
- Western Cluster Speech Finals at HVP - Thursday 17th August, 5.30pm
- BOT Meeting - Monday 21st August at 7.00 pm
- ICAS Science - Sitting dates 21st-25th August
- ICAS Spelling Bee - Sitting dates 21st-25th August
- HVP Polyfest - Friday 25th August - 11.20 am-11.40 am

SEPTEMBER

- ICAS Mathematics - Sitting dates 28th August-1st September
- Week 7 - Speech Area Finals in Dipton - 31st August
- Week 9 - Southland Speech Grand Final at St Johns- 12th September
- SMAC Maths Year 8 - Wednesday 20th September - 5.45pm

Timetable

8.50 am School Day Starts

8.50 am-10.00 am #1 Literacy or Numeracy Block

10.00 am-10.10 am Whole School Movement

10.10 am-10.30 am Morning Tea

10.30 am-11.25 am #2 Literacy or Numeracy Block

11.25 am-11.35 am Feed & Read or Fitness & Feed

11.35am-12.20am #3 Literacy or Numeracy Block

12.20 pm-12.40 pm Structured Literacy

12.40 pm-1.30 pm Lunch

1.30 pm-3.00 pm #4 Block includes Inquiry (Science, Technology or Social Sciences),

Health & Physical Education, Visual Arts, Dance, Drama, Music, Library, Discovery Time (Years 1-3), French (Years 7&8), Te Reo Maori/Polyfest

3.00 pm - School Day Ends

SCHOOL NOTICES

Friday Lunch Orders

Sausage & Chips \$5
Fish Bites & Chips \$5
Chips \$3
Chicken Nuggets & Chips \$5
Ham & Salad Sandwich \$5
Bacon & Egg Sandwich \$5
Muffin \$4
Cheese Roll \$2.50
Dagwood (ham or roast beef) \$6
Sausage Roll \$5
Mince, Chicken, Venison Pie \$6



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Applications are open until midnight 24 September 2023.

How to apply

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- call 03 357 9732

