

# Term 3, Week 5, 2025

## *our people*



## *our stories*



## Week: 11th – 15th August

Kia ora e te whaanau, kumusta, ayubowan,

Our cover page features our Year 5&6 speech representatives at Round 2 of the Western Cluster including Otautau Primary, St Patrick's, and Waiau Area School. It was exciting to see our talented writers and speakers shine. Well done to Della, who placed 1<sup>st</sup> and Stanley, who came in 3<sup>rd</sup>. Della heads to Round 3 with her informative speech, "Eggs On The Edge". Stanley entertained the audience with his speech "The Forbidden Fruit Effect".

Well done to our Year 7&8 speakers - Angus and Tori. Angus was placed 1<sup>st</sup> and Tori 2<sup>nd</sup>, so both head through to the Northern Western Speech Final at Aparima College on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> August, from 6.30 pm. I was particularly impressed with Tori stepping in to replace Mason (at short notice) and knocking it out of the park!

A massive thank you to our hosts for our speech cluster final. Boe and Maddi confidently and effectively guided the audience through the evening. Our Guest Judges, Rachel and Paul, were a fabulous duo. A special mention to Grant, our official time keeper. It is greatly appreciated to have talented and willing community members supporting us.

Our Year 7&8 girls rugby game is Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August - Waiau Star vs SGHS @ Holt Park, Otautau 4.30 pm

This week, we have enjoyed celebrating NZMaths Week, during which teachers have provided multiple opportunities to access a wide range of resources to further challenge and engage learners. You might have heard students sharing their Daily Dollar Challenges, Survivor Series, or even The Climb - a times table challenge.

This week has been busy for our teachers as we provide professional learning opportunities. Kirsty attended a Numicon Course, as this is the resource we have selected to utilise within our Junior Classes as a tool to support mathematical learning. Next week Kirsty, Matt, Dale and Julia are heading to view this in action in classrooms at Gore Main School.

Today, 27 students enjoyed the alpine environment at The Remarkables as our ski day for 2025. Thanks to Karen for processing paperwork and supporting the organisation of this Education Outside The Classroom opportunity.

Next week is a biggie with our performance at the 2025 Miharo Polyfest on Friday. Please make sure you know exactly what is happening. A notice should have arrived at home on Monday, 11th August. I have included it via our SMS HERO Platform, FYI. All students will require permission for transportation to this event. NB: All polyfest uniforms have been fitted and distributed to students. These are kept at school safe in classes and transported to our performance. We can't wait for you to hear and see us shine on stage!

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



# MIGHTY MATAI

## WHAT'S ON IN MATAI?

### *Mana panels:*

*Matai have been making terrific progress on their mana panels. They have used block or bubble letters to spell out the mana they have been bestowed by their peers. Students have used a variety of mediums including pencil, paint, crayon, pastel, and felt to colour in their panels. Along with a power pose! They are nearly ready for display in class.*

### *P.E. & Active Southland:*

*We were very fortunate to have Richie from Active Southland back in Matai class. He showed us some terrific cultural games to play. Our favourite was Poi Rākau, a traditional game used for warrior training! We learnt to use Te Reo instructions for left (Maui), and right (Matau), to move quickly and catch hoops before they fall.*

### *Writing:*

*In Writing, Matai have used the Red, White, and Blue sentence to create monster or squishmallow flipbooks we have called "Monster Manuals". Each panel contains an imaginative drawing and a RWB sentence that describes features of their creature's head, body, and tail. Students have really enjoyed publishing their terrific writing in this fun way!*

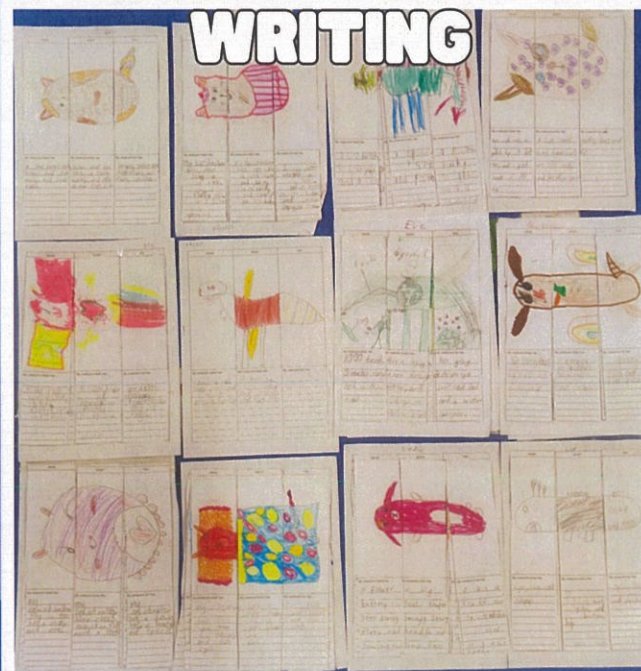
## MANA PANELS



## ACTIVE SOUTHLAND



## WRITING





# TERM 3 WEEK 5

## THERE'S EVEN MORE!

*Last week were the Poetry Presentations & Speech Finals for Matai. All of Matai worked hard to practise their poems with correct pace, expression, and accuracy. They stood up on stage very bravely, and presented their poems with confidence. It was awesome to see their hard work pay off on the final day.*

*Our Year 4 students worked diligently to draft their speeches, make refinements, and present their speeches on topics that interested them. It was a terrific first dive into speeches and they are excited for choosing their new topics next year!*

*Fantastic effort Mighty Matai!*

## Poetry & Speeches

## ACTIVE SOUTHLAND





# POETRY PRESENTATIONS

## YEARS 0-3

Tu meke to our poetry presenters!

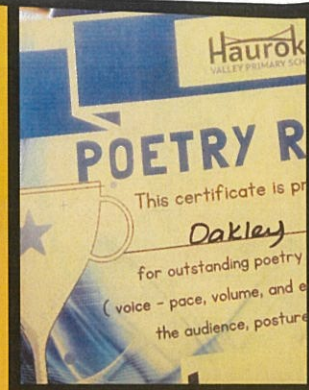
Year 0-1



1st - Lucy



2nd - Dex



HC - Oakley

Year 2



1st - Ada



2nd - Goldie

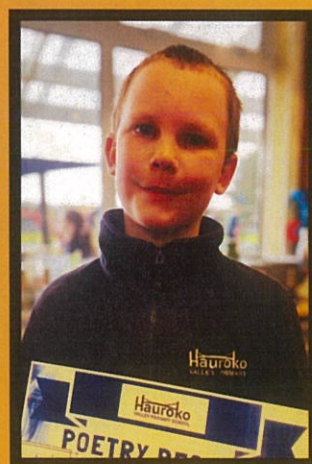


3rd - Lachy

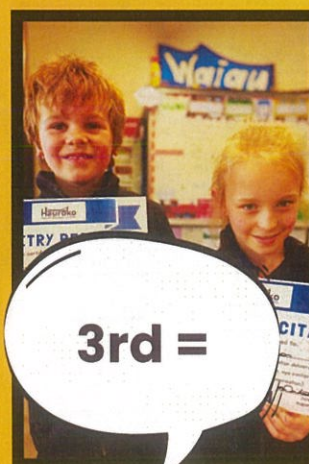
Year 3



1st - Sadie



2nd - Archie



3rd =

Abby & George



# SPEECH PRESENTATIONS

## YEARS 4-8

Our first year speakers

Year 4



1st  
Dara



2nd  
Aoife



3rd  
Riley



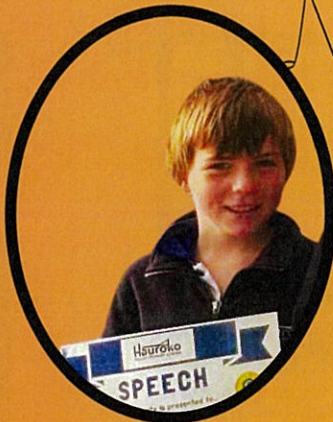
H.C.  
Alex Eg



Year 5&6



1st  
Della



2nd  
Stanley



3rd  
Layla



H.C.  
Corbin

Year 7&8



1st  
Mason



2nd  
Angus



3rd  
Tori



H.C.  
Lola & Boe







# HVP Ski Trip

Several families from Hauroko Valley Primary School headed to The Remarkables on Friday, 15th August, for a ski day. This annual event provides an opportunity for those who enjoy skiing or snowboarding. It is a change of scenery, temperature, and for many challenge outside of the classroom. The Remarkables is about fun, freestyle and families within the alpine environment. There was certainly evidence of this throughout the day! Lessons support learning the basics to then grow and develop skills to navigate a range of trails. Well done!



# DATES & EVENTS

**Term 3 - Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September**

**Term 4 - Monday 6 October - Friday 19 December**

**Teachers Only Day - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

**Public Holiday: Labour Day – Monday 27 October**

**HVP Pet Day - Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

## AUGUST

- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting 7.30 pm
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August - ICAS Spelling
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> August - KSOM
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August - Hauroko Valley Primary School at Miharo Polyfest 11.20 am (spectators - gold coin donation)
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August - Carpet Installation throughout classes, (so some movement of classes for this time)
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August - ICAS Maths
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August - Paid Union Meeting (school as per usual)
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August - Discovery Learning 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August - KSOM
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August - Daffodil Day - wear yellow and bring some coins to add to our collection for the Cancer Society
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August - Matai Assembly 2.30 pm

## SEPTEMBER

- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - Discovery 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September - KSOM
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September - EIS Challenge (Year 5&6 team and Year 7&8 team)



# 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:

03 1748 0030028 000

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



Kōwhai Superstars



As part of our measuring maths, you are invited to bring your favourite Teddy,  
Teddy-bear, or soft toy to school on Tuesday next week, 19 August. I promise they

will be well looked after by all of our Kōwhai friends.



Mrs Woods





# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Adopt a Calf

THE ADOPT A CALF SCHEME IS BACK FOR 2025.

### What

- Student gets allocated a calf in the middle of September. First afternoon Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2025.
- Student can name the calf
- Every Wednesday afternoon at 3:30pm until 5pm student can visit the farm - feed, brush and lead the calf.
- Learn the care and attention of calves on a dairy farm, some stockmanship skills and have fun.
- We will take calves to your local school pet day.

### How

- Please email your interest to [Kaylene@beachvalley.co.nz](mailto:Kaylene@beachvalley.co.nz) with name and contact details incl address and phone number, if you are interested in being a part of this opportunity. Entries are limited and will close on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

### Conditions

- Students and parent/caregivers will be required to abide by our farm a health & safety policies.
- Biosecurity of our farm is very important to us so disinfecting of footwear and gear will be required every visit.
- Failure to turn up to weekly visits may result in loss of opportunity
- There is no limit of student age but we will limit numbers.

We can be contacted on the below details if you have any queries:

Jason & Kaylene Bennett  
Ph 032266904  
Kaylene 0274327156  
Jason 0272326482  
Email: [kaylene@beachvalley.co.nz](mailto:kaylene@beachvalley.co.nz)



## Looking for Hosts

NZ Adventures has been a long-time supporter of Hauroko Valley Primary School.

On the 21st February 2026 their four wheel drive tour comes through Western Southland. They have asked if we could provide bed, breakfast and dinner for the night as a fundraiser for the school.

We are asking for bed and breakfast for approx. 17 couples in the Blackmount/Otahu area going into Eastern Bush if needed from our school families, grandparents and supporters. These hosts and their families along with the NZ adventures clients will meet at the Blackmount Community Centre for a meal on the evening of the 21st February 2026 where we will ask our Tuatapere, Orawia, Lillburn and Clifden families to help provide, cook and serve a meal. Details on catering will come later.

I understand that we are a wee way out from February but if you can mark it in your diary in the meantime and let me know if you can host any of the adventurers and how many. Please call/text Kaylene 0274327156 or email [kaylene@beachvalley.co.nz](mailto:kaylene@beachvalley.co.nz).

I look forward to hearing from you and thank you very much in advance for your support.

### Winton Football Summer 5aside Football Leagues

This popular event will return this year in term 4 so it is time to start rounding up your team members. Adult section is mixed teams, year 9 upwards with some dispensations given for year 8s and junior grades are yr 6-8 and yr 1-5. Cost per adult team is \$150 while juniors are \$10 per player. Format will be similar to 2024 with starting date 9 October and the last day 4 December. Any enquiries can be made to: [5aside.wintonfootball@gmail.com](mailto:5aside.wintonfootball@gmail.com)

Now Playing

SINGING LESSONS WITH ksom

30 MINUTE LESSONS AT HAUROKO VALLEY SIGN UP NOW

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