

Hauroko
VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

our place



our stories

Term 2, Week 2, 2025

Newsletter - Issue #11

Week: 5th May - 9th May 2025

Kia ora e te whaanau, kumusta, ayubowan,

Attendance - Last week in the newsletter, we shared our school's response to attendance as part of the Ministry of Education initiatives. This week, please find in our newsletter a follow-up to our response with School Responsibilities and also Whanau Responsibilities. The ultimate goal is regular attendance of 90-100% each Term. Irregular attendance is between 80-90%, and it is a concern over time, as the days add up. Please be aware that we are required to follow up on concerns, and more so for students who fall into the 70-80% attendance range. Attendance <70% is critical; outside agencies may become involved, at this level. If you have any questions or require support with attendance, please get in touch with the classroom teachers or Julia.

Hockey - What a fantastic week our teams have had with their first games in Invercargill in the Southland Competition. All three teams had convincing wins, but more than that, we have several children keen to learn hockey, first-timers. We have dedicated Coaches- Rebecca, Nic, and Kate G, Managers - and, parent supporters ensuring transport to and from games. Thank You

Rata Golf Fundraiser - Today, our Year 7&8 students implemented their fundraiser for our Deep Cove Camp to be held next month. They have been involved in the process of planning and today hosted the ambrose golf event. What an amazing amount of support we have received thanks to sponsorships from local people/businesses - THANK YOU. Check out the sponsors we are super grateful for in the newsletter - THANKS! Thank You to our families who have supported us through raffle prizes, baking, organising of teams and playing in the tournament. A shout out to the Tuatapere Golf Course for providing us with this opportunity, we really appreciate your support for our school. The weather certainly improved providing a warm day, with fabulous Year 7&8's hospitality, awesome food, and fun challenges along the way to entertain all.

Totara Luv-A-Pie Fundraiser - The Year 5&6 camp for 2025 is to be held at Borland Lodge in December. The great pie fundraiser is underway. Apologies for the timing, given our golf fundraiser and trail ride in Term 1. We will endeavour to spread out our fundraisers next year. Our goal is to make close to \$2,000 to support us in providing kayaking, archery, abseiling, and rock climbing opportunities with qualified instructors.

NYLD - National Young Leaders Day - Our Year 8's head to Dunedin on Sunday as part of an exciting annual leadership opportunity. NYLD is dedicated to sparking the leadership potential that's inside every young person through practical, inspirational events and leadership resources. The National Young Leaders Days (NYLD) are the largest and longest-running leadership event for primary/intermediate school students in NZ. Most schools send their 'top' school leaders, however, we choose to send all of our Year 8's as we believe this opportunity will benefit any student who demonstrates a willingness to develop their leadership skills. While in Dunedin, our Year 8's are exploring some city sights/sounds and food - Baldwin St, Toitu Otago Settlers Museum, Subway, Pizza and venturing into Dunedin City. Thanks to Kaylene for supporting with transport, along with Sally.

Adventure Southland - On Monday, all 18 of our Year 7's are attending a leadership course in Invercargill at Adventure Southland. First up are team building challenges designed to provide opportunities for our learners to support, promote each other and the importance of teamwork. The challenge ropes course also offers a great setting to build confidence, improve team skills, and develop leadership. This course is offered to all of our Year 7's, as we believe in providing opportunities for our children to grow. Thanks to parents - Scott, Emma and Joe for supporting with transport and assisting Alice.

General - Please remember to read our newsletter via Skool Loop, email or our school website to keep up with the latest news and events. Check notices via Skool Loop and forms that students may take home. Please make sure these are returned within the time frames indicated.

Our Year 5-8 students are expected to increase their responsibility for taking home and returning notices to the office. Classroom teachers do remind students too, but often we are following up over longer periods of time. We require notices returned, so we can organise transport plans and can cater to the number of students in attendance, and for those that might need to remain at school.

Enjoy the weekend and good luck to children in Winter Sport teams competing in Soccer, Netball or Rugby during the weekend. Ngā manaakitanga on behalf of the HVP team,

Julia Waikato,

Principal/Tumuhaki

MIGHTY MATAI

Term 2 Week 2

What's happening in Matai?

Reading & Drama

Matai students have been learning about new spelling concepts such as "r-controlled syllables" & "diphthong ou/ow". This week, Matai got to flex their drama and costume design skills. In groups, students made a costume from *The Paper Bag Princess*. Once they finished, they performed a freeze frame from the story.

Mathematics & Digital Technology

In Mathematics, Matai students have been learning about Position and Orientation. We have been plotting and following coordinates to find specific locations. Students have been learning how to sequence directions using Sphero Indi Robots. This links our current Maths learning to Computational Thinking under the Digital Technologies Curriculum area.

Aotearoa Histories & Visual Arts

In our first week back at school, Matai have been learning about the history of ANZAC day, what this day is about, and why we commemorate it. Matai also learned about symbols of ANZAC Day such as poppies and ANZAC Biscuits, as well as their significance. To finish our learning, we made hand-print poppies to display in class.



*Rātā class sincerely thanks these sponsors for
their support in making the golf tournament
possible!*

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Tier 1

Hauroko Valley Primary School encourages regular attendance. Support will be given to encourage regular attendance. Staff will follow the attendance management plan and policies.

This will be achieved by;

- rewarding regular attendance through value tickets
- end of term attendance certificates

<5 days absent a term
Nationally 53% of students

Tier 2

Hauroko Valley Primary School will support a child to attend school regularly. A formal notification will be made to the parent advising the child has reached Tier 2. Contact will be made with the parent to discuss the absences.

This will be achieved by;

- engaging with the school teacher and principal
- check-in, check out

up to 10 days absent a term
Nationally 26% of students

Tier 3

Hauroko Valley Primary School makes every effort to support students to regularly attend school. A formal notification will be sent to parents advising of the 15 days of absence. A meeting will be organised with the whanau to discuss reasons for absences.

This will be achieved by;

- developing an Attendance and Engagement Plan (this may include multi agencies)

up to 15 days absent a term
Nationally 11% of students

Tier 4

Hauroko Valley Primary School makes every effort to support students to regularly attend school. A warning notice to be sent to parents advising they have reached Tier 4. A meeting will be organised with the whanau to discuss reasons. A variety of agencies may be engaged to support whanau.

This will be achieved by;

- Attendance and Engagement Plan (in place)
- ROCK on support

>14 days absent a term
Nationally 10% of students



Tier 1

Parents encourage regular attendance and do their very best, to ensure their children attend school regularly during term time.

This will be achieved by;

- positively reinforcing regular attendance with children.
- having open communication with the school.
- following the school attendance processes.

<5 days absent a term
Nationally 53% of students

Tier 2

Parents will make every effort to return the child to regular attendance if they have had up to 10 days absence a term.

After a formal notification has been made to the parent advising that the child has reached Tier 2 the parents will engage constructively with the school to enable their child to return more regularly to school.

This will be achieved by;

- engage positively in supports offered.
- return the student to regular attendance

Up to 10 days absence a term. Nationally 26% of students.

Tier 3

Parents will make every effort to ensure students can return to regular attendance if they had up to 15 days off school in a term.

Parents will engage constructively with the school to develop and attend a meeting with the school to develop and Attendance and Engagement Plan.

This will be achieved by;

- constructively taking part in the Attendance and Engagement Plan
- return student to regular attendance

Up to 15 days absent a term. Nationally 11% of students.

Tier 4

Parents will engage constructively and positively in the Tier 3 support to help their child to return to regular attendance.

Parents will engage constructively with the school to develop and attend a meeting with the school to develop and Attendance and Engagement Plan.

Parents will meet with the school and review the plan that is currently in place.

This will be achieved by;

- supporting the Attendance and Engagement Plan
- Attend regular meetings.

>14 days absent a term. Nationally 10% of students.

DATES & EVENTS

Term 2 - Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June

Public holidays: King's Birthday – Monday 2 June &
Matariki - Friday 20 June

Term 3 - Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September

Term 4 - Monday 6 October - Friday 19 December

Public holiday: Labour Day – Monday 27 October

MAY

- Sunday 11th May & Monday 12th May - NYLD Dunedin Year 8's
- Monday 12th May - Adventure Southland Leadership Course Year 7's
- Tuesday 13th May - SBHS Visit for our Year 7&8 boys at HVP 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm
- Thursday 15th May - KSOM & Discovery Learning
- Thursday 15th May - Southland Secondary School Indoor Bowls Champs
- Friday 16th May - Pink Shirt Day - no uniform, wear a touch of pink or pink from head to toe
- Thursday 22nd May - Interschool Cross Country at Thornbury Primary School (information to follow)
- Thursday 22nd May - No KSOM, No Discovery
- Friday 23rd May - Assembly c/-
- Thursday 29th May - KSOM
- Thursday 29th May - Discovery Time

**Friday 30th May -
Teachers Only Day**

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



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School Account

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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.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

FIORDLAND Classic Boat FESTIVAL

23 - 25 May 2025

CREATE YOUR VESSEL FOR THE
CARDBOARD BOAT RACE
THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



RACE IN THE CARDBOARD BOAT RACE

Saturday 24 May 2025 - 9am briefing 10 am racing

For more information email info@fiordlandhistoriccruises.co.nz
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Child's Day - During
School Hours!

@Hauroko Valley

🕒 What's the Advantage of
Music During School Time?

Children are fresher and more focused
No need to squeeze lessons into busy after-
school hours
Keeps learning part of their routine



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Boosts brain development and
memory
Builds confidence and creativity
Strengthens coordination and
listening skills
Encourages self-discipline and
focus



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Fiordland

Classic Boat Festival

CARDBOARD BOAT RACE



Categories:

- * Junior - Under 16 years (Including those who build the vessel)
- * School
- * Workplace
- * Team

Prizes:

- * Judges Choice
- * Most Spectacular
- * Boat that will most likely leave you stranded
- * 1st - 2nd - 3rd (Awarded to overall placings & Junior Category)

Materials

- The entire hull, superstructure and seating of all boats must be made entirely of only cardboard
- PVA Glue permitted - No Tape
- No pre-treated, waxed, or reinforced cardboard
- No wood, plastic, fibreglass, or Styrofoam
- No caulking compounds or two-part adhesives
- No wrapping in plastic or fibreglass
- Biodegradable materials only Nothing is to be left in the Lake water
- We recommend all boats are painted

Safety

- All competitors must wear a personal flotation device (PFD)
- Boats must be free of sharp edges or anything that could cause injuries
- Boats must be designed so crew members can exit easily if the boat sinks
- Propulsion
- Boats must be propelled by muscle power from within the boat
- No prone, surfboard, or swimming positions are allowed

Other rules

- Boats must be built before the race
- Boats must be completely enclosed or permit the crew to remain fully on top of the vessel
- Boats must not have permanently enclosed passenger areas above the occupants' shoulders

Oars from paddle boards & Kayaks may be used
Team member size Min 2 Max 6

When: 24 May 2025

Where: Marakura Yacht Club

Time: Registration 9am

Racing 10am

Other: All PFD's will be checked for safety during registration between 9 & 10 am prior to race start.