

Hauroko

VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



TERM 4, WEEK 1, 2023



Newsletter Issue 30

WEEKLY UPDATES

Week: 9th-13th October 2023

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

Welcome Back, It's Term 4!

We've had our first "**Wacky Wednesday**", this is an initiative set to continue throughout this Term. Week 1 showcased the ingenuity of hairstyles amongst our tamariki. The intention is to provide some fun as part of well-being with a touch of wackiness. Next week it is backward Wednesday, wear a part of your school uniform backward, or maybe you have another way to express this day?

Pet Day

Thank you for supporting your child/ren to complete their Pet Diaries. Every student bringing a pet needs to have a Pet Diary for Judging on Friday 20th October. To support this process, we are checking each one and learning more about each learner and their pet. Please bring diaries to share with teachers before the day. Once diaries are completed and checked, they are able to go home or can be kept at school safely until Pet Day. Make arrangements with Mrs Reid, if you need a replacement pet diary.

Scooters, skateboards, and rollerblades make a return during Term 4. These are welcome on Monday and Tuesday for use before school, playtime, and lunchtime on the tennis court. It is essential that all students using these wear a helmet and any additional protective gear.

Reminders

- To keep everyone **sun-safe** we ask for all students to wear their school sunhats from the start of Term 4. These are compulsory. Students without sunhats are required to remain in the shade during play and lunchtimes.
- **Water bottles** are essential for hydration throughout the day. These can be refilled at our water fountains, so please make sure you have yours every day.
- We have a generic **sunblock** in classes, if you have sensitive skin please ensure you have your own sunblock to use if needed.

Board of Trustees Mid-Term Elections

There have been 3 nominations received, Kaylene Bennett, James Deans, and Tim Naylor, for two positions on the board. An election will be held for you to vote for up to 2 candidates. Voting forms will be sent home next week.

Property

It is exciting to see our property projects continuing with progress. The multipurpose building (old school pool) has one of the external doors and louvers placed!! Staff have popped in to see the space, and it is going to be such an asset to our school. The accessible bathroom sees the upgrade of our administration block. This will provide us with a first aid space, two toilets, shower, all of which we know will be utilised by staff and students. The roof is looking amazing on the administration block as the iron sand colour replaces the previous tired and older iron.

Staffing

We've made two appointments of staff for 2024. The first sees the return of Sally and Alice in a job share position. We can also confirm the appointment of Anna Slee to the parental leave position.

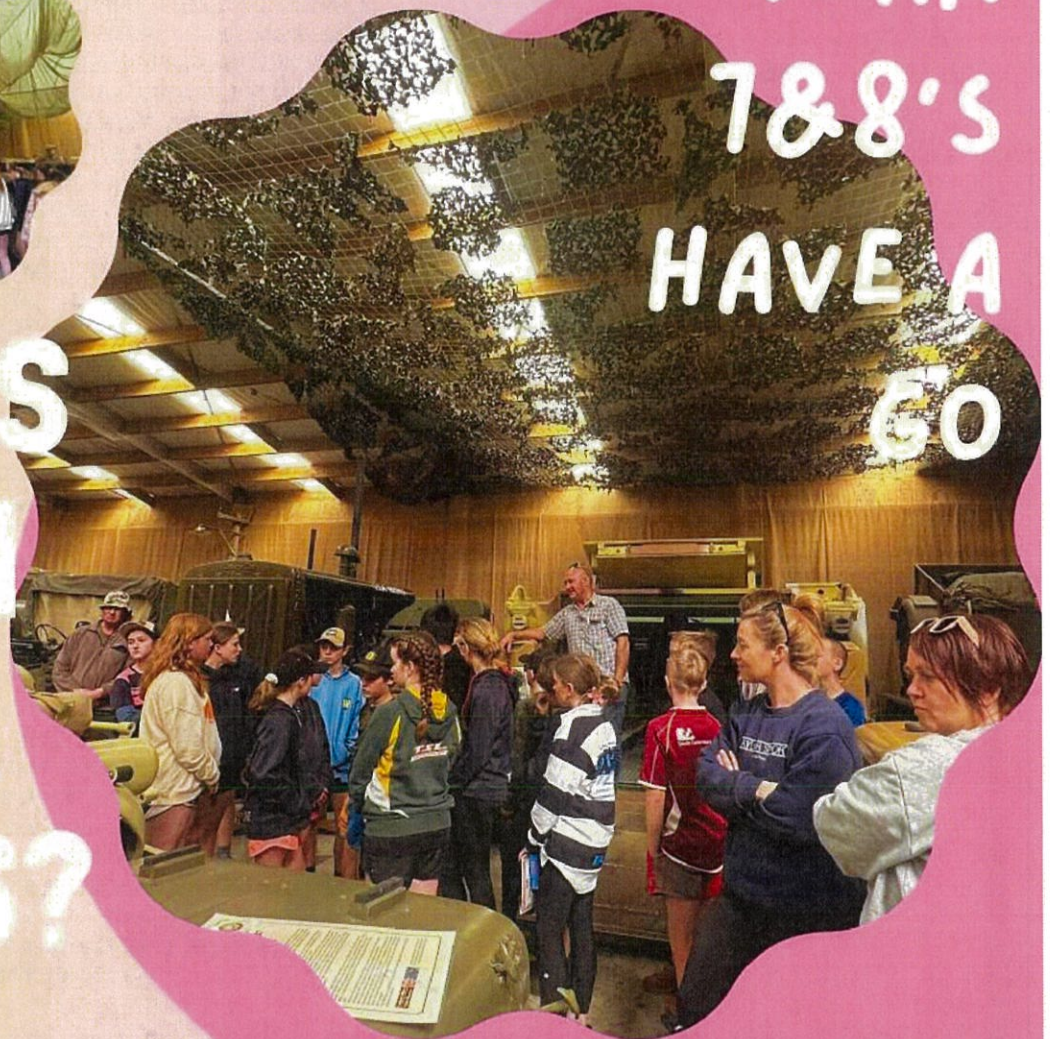
2024

As we look towards 2024 and confirm staff and classes. We ask that if you are moving out of the area, and/or leaving HVP school, then please let us know, so we can factor in this for our classes. This includes year groupings and numbers of students in classes. Touch base with Julia to advise.

Nga mihi,
Julia on behalf of HVP staff

YEAR
7&8'S
HAVE A
GO

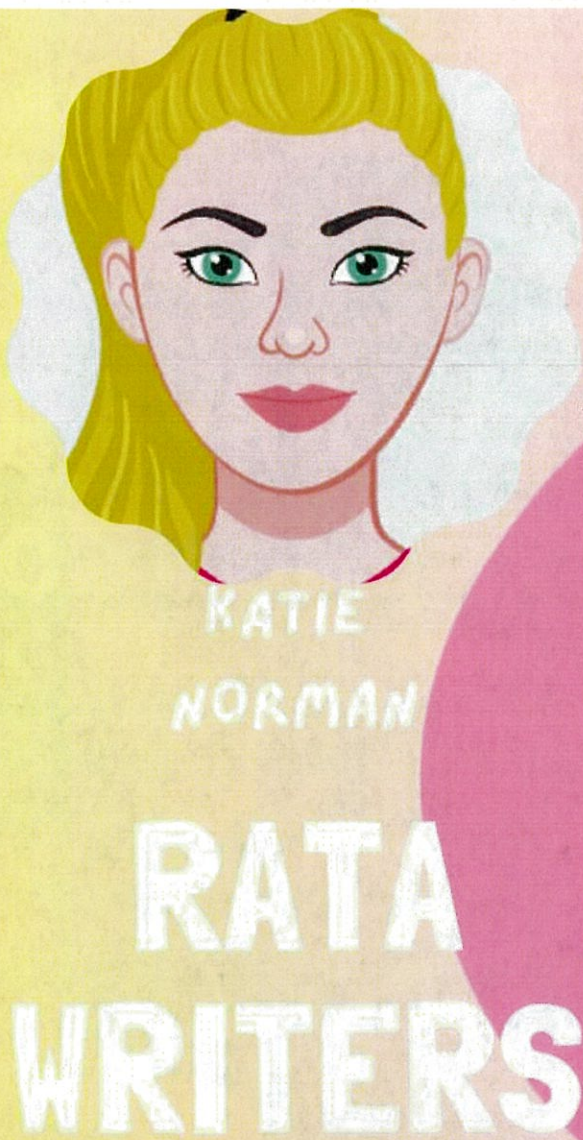
WHAT'S
ON IN
RATA
CLASS?



AT THE END OF TERM THREE THE YEAR 7&8'S WERE LUCKY ENOUGH TO VISIT DUNCAN AND TINA MCGREGOR'S INCREDIBLE MILITARY MUSEUM. DUNCAN AND TINA WERE VERY GOOD FRIENDS WITH THE LATE ANN ROBBIE WHO WAS SO EXCITED FOR US TO VISIT THE MUSEUM. THEIR COLLECTION OF WAR ARTEFACTS AND VEHICLES WAS IMPRESSIVE!

"I ENJOYED LOOKING AND LEARNING ABOUT THE BIG TRUCKS AND IT WAS AWESOME TO SEE THAT SOME HAD ROAD WARRANTS AND ALL OF THEM WERE IN WORKING ORDER. WE WERE ALL SURPRISED AT JUST HOW BIG DUNCAN'S COLLECTION WAS. HE HAD MANY WW2 ARTEFACTS INCLUDING MISSILES AND NUKES. IT WAS A GOOD TRIP AND DAY OUT" – JAKE





KATIE

NORMAN

RATA

WRITERS

THE DEEP SOUTH

GREEN, LUSH GRASS BLANKETS THE HILLS OF THE DEEP SOUTH. OLD DISINTEGRATING FENCE POSTS SCATTER IN LINES, WOVEN THROUGH PADDOCKS. STATE HWY 99 TWISTS AND TURNS THROUGH WESTERN SOUTHLAND. LOW-TIDE APPROACHES THE ARC OF MONKEY ISLAND, FISH RUMBLE AND PLAY IN THE WAVES OF SALT-WATER. THE BIG TOTARA TREE SWAYS IN THE BREEZE, AGED AND WISE. THE LEAVES DANCE ON THE BREEZE AND LAND SOFTLY ON THE BUSH TRACK FLOOR.

THE MIGHTY WAIAU RIVER FLOWS PAST THE OLD PUNT AND UNDER THE HISTORIC CLIFDEN SUSPENSION BRIDGE. THE WIND WHIRLS WEST AND APPROACHES THE MAJESTIC TAKITUMU MOUNTAINS. I GAZE UP. I STARE AT THE WHITE SNOW POWDERING THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN RANGE. SMALL SHARP STONES SCATTER THEMSELVES ON THE PATHWAY LEADING THROUGH THE NATIVE BUSH. ROOTS CLIMB UP THE STEEP HILLS LIKE VEINS, THE ROOTS TWIST AND TURN ALL THE WAY UP TO OKAKA LODGE.

I PLACE MY BROWN, MUDDY SNEAKERS ON TO THE HISTORIC VIADUCT- THE PERCY BURN VIADUCT- USED TO TRANSPORT TIMBER TO THE PORT CRAIG SAWMILL. I STUMBLE ACROSS THE RUSTY BOLTS STICKING OUT OF THE 7KM LONG TRAMLINE LEADING TO PORT CRAIG. THE SOUND OF WATER DRIPPING AND NATIVE BIRD SONG FILLS MY EARS.

BOATS GLIDE ACROSS THE TOP OF THE DEEPEST LAKE IN NEW ZEALAND- LAKE HAUROKO. REMARKABLE FROM ALL ANGLES. SHARP FINS SLICE INTO THE WATER AS A SINGLE WATER SKI BREAKS THE GLASS OF THE LAKE. THE FAMOUS WINDS COME THROUGH READY TO CHOP IT UP AT ANY SECOND.

I SIT BACK AND REFLECT.

I'M SO LUCKY, I HAVE EVERYTHING I POSSIBLY NEED. I LIVE IN THE BEST PLACE ON EARTH. I'VE GOT THE SEA, THE LAKES, THE RIVER AND AMAZING WALKS. WESTERN SOUTHLAND.

A MORNING CALVING

THE SUN PEEKED THROUGH MY CURTAINS, MY ARM REACHED FOR THE ALARM CLOCK. I GRABBED MY MUDDY SIZE 8 GUMBOOTS PULLING THEM ONTO MY COZY FEET. ZOOMING DOWN THE MAIN LANE ON MY TWO WHEELER WITH A BACKPACK FILLED WITH EAR TAGS AND A FOLDER TO ENTER IN THE COWS NUMBER. I NEED TO RECORD IF IT'S A BOY OR A GIRL THAT THEY HAD. COWS ARE LICKING THEIR BABIES THAT THEY JUST DELIVERED AND OTHERS WAITING TO BE MOVED INTO A FRESH BREAK OF LONG, GREEN GRASS. I LOOKED OVER TO MY LEFT TO SEE THE TAKITIMU'S, THE BRIGHT YELLOW SUN COMING UP BEHIND THE TIP OF THE MOUNTAINS. I TOLD MYSELF THAT THIS IS WHAT I LOVE ABOUT OUR FARM. 3 HOURS PASSED BY AND IT WAS TIME TO GET THE COWS AND CALVES IN. DAD AND I OPENED UP THE GATE TO GET THEM OUT. DAD YELLED OUT TO ME AND SAID "SIERRA THERE'S A COW CALVING COME WATCH" I QUIETLY WALKED OVER TRYING TO NOT UPSET HER " LOOK IT'S COMING" I WHISPERED TO MYSELF. THE SLIMY LITTLE GUY WIGGLED HIS WAY OUT AND INTO THE WORLD. IT WAS THE BEST FEELING WATCHING IT BE BORN. 2:30PM FEEDING TIME AT THE ZOO. WELL, THAT IS WHAT I SAY BUT REALLY IT IS JUST FEEDING OUR CALVES FRESH COLOSTRUM AND MILK POWDER TO THE OLDER CALVES. TEA WAS SERVED ON THE TABLE- THAT'S THE DAY DONE. NO CALVES TONIGHT, IT'S 9:00PM, I BETTER GO TO BED AND GET READY FOR THE NEXT DAY!
SLEEP, FARM, REPEAT.

SIERRA
BENNETT



WACKY WEDNESDAY

DAY
BACKWARDS



WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER



Backwards day
- wear your uniform
backwards.
What else can you do
backwards?



HVP Pet Day

When:: Friday 20th October 2023

Where: Hauroko Valley Primary School - classrooms and school field

Timetable

9.30am Set up - all creations will need to be in classes before 10.00am

10.00am Judging in classrooms/Judging on the field for students and pets

11.30am-1.00pm BBQ Lunch (free for HVP school community)

Presentation of Certificates for animals by Home and School Chair/Co-Chair and/or Principal.

Pet Diaries

These are required for all students bringing a pet. Please ensure your child/ren return these to school for safekeeping and for teachers to check, as we have high expectations of content and presentation.

Calves there is a requirement for calves to be distanced from each other, so kept apart from each other.

Dogs are to be on a leash. Please use a doggy bag for poop. They will have an opportunity to do a slalom course.

Horses will be located down the end of the school field. Horse floats can be driven onto the field. They will be roped off for Health & Safety reasons and we ask that only the horse owners/families ride horses and are in the arena.

Lambs - 200 ml is required for the lamb drinking challenge.

Other Animals - goats and pigs we look forward to seeing you.

Small Animals - will be housed in Kowhai's verandah so undercover. Cages or carriers are required for safe transportation and storage of small animals while at Hauroko Valley Primary School.

Creation Categories

Students are welcome to enter 2-5 sections for their year level of the following exhibits. This includes pre-school entries.

1. At least three decorated cupcakes
2. Lego creations
3. Recycled creations
4. Farm Scene
5. Decorated rock

Please ensure names and year levels are included on the entry, however these shouldn't be visible to anyone (for Judging purposes). These need to be placed in the correct classroom and the correct level. Teachers will be in their classrooms to support Judges.

Certificates for creations will be available for collection from exhibits in classrooms following Judging. During Judging, we ask that everyone remains out of the classrooms. This year we would like to have all exhibits available for viewing before eating cupcakes and collecting creations or certificates. We will advise all students when they can enter classrooms.

Exhibit	Kowhai c/- Mrs Erskine	Matai c/- Mrs	Totara c/- Mr Pierson	Rata c/- Mrs Harris
1.	Farm Scenes	Cupcakes (these are not to be eaten inside the classroom)	Recycled Creations	Lego Creations - (Rata to be locked)
2.			Decorated Rocks	

We look forward to seeing you for our Annual 2023 Pet Day.

HAUROKO HAPPENINGS

TERM 4 DATES

OCTOBER

- Saturday 14th October - Election Day, Hauroko Valley Primary
- Wednesday 18th October - Relationships Sexuality Education Community Meeting 3.30pm
- Friday 20th October - HVP Pet Day
- **Monday 23rd October - Labour Day & BOT Meeting 7.30pm**
- Tuesday 24th October - Western Southland Golf Tournament
- Monday 30th October - Touch Module Starts
- Tuesday 31st October - Kowhai at WAS for REAP Movement

NOVEMBER

- Friday 10th November - Southland Science Roadshow Year 4&5
- Wednesday 15th November ERO Partner Visit to Hauroko Valley
- Thursday 16th November - BOT Planning Day
- **Friday 17th November - Teachers Only Day - Assessment**
- **Monday 20th November - Teachers Only Day - NZ Curriculum Refresh**
- Tuesday 21st November - Friday 24th November - Swimming with Johnston Waters
- Wednesday 22nd November - Cybersafety John Parsons
- Friday 24th November - Jonty Carran Tackle 10's Tournament at Otautau Year 7&8 rugby players
- Monday 27th November - Year 4-6 Mitre 10 Tough Kids

DECEMBER

- Friday 1st December - Reports Go Home
- Friday 1st December - Year 8 Graduate Dinner at Brunel Peaks
- Tuesday 5th December - Parent/Teacher Meetings
- Wednesday 6th December - Parent/Teacher Meetings
- Wednesday 6th - Friday 8th December - Year 5&6 Borland Lodge Camp
- Monday 11th December - BOT Meeting 7.30pm
- Tuesday 12 December - Carols in the Caves

SCHOOL NOTICES

A Request From Matai Please

A number of us in Matai have drawn some inspiration to take up knitting after reading the book "Violet's Scarf" written by Colleen Brown, illustrated by Emma Lay.

If you have some 'chunkier' sized knitting needles going spare that you are happy to lend to us, we'd love to make use of them. We'll make sure we photograph your knitting needles so these can be returned to you.

Also, if you have any odd balls of yarn, then we'd greatly appreciate any donations in order to get our creations underway.

On the topic of "Violet's Scarf", Te Hikoi currently has an exhibition around this beautiful story. This includes the original water colours completed by Emma Lay. If you are in Riverton at any stage, I'd highly recommend a visit.

Thanks for your support of our learning programmes.
Mrs Woods and Mighty Matai



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



School Account

If paying accounts by
internet banking,
please do so to

Hauroko Valley Primary School

Westpac:

03 1748 0030028 000



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Out West Tui TRYathlon

Sunday 15th October
10:30am start

(Entries close 1st October to guarantee a T-shirt)
5-16 year old age groups, open and pre-school
 Individual or Team entries
 Competitive or Non-Competitive
 Prize to the school with the most entries!

at the Tuatapere Community Pool
Orawia Rd, TUATAPEPE



For more information check out our facebook page **OUT WEST TUI TRYathlon**
 (find a link to the entry form), email OutWestTuiTryathlon@gmail.com

Tuatapere Community Pool Fundraiser

Western Junior Tennis
COACHING - Wednesdays Term 4 and 1.
 One hour sessions in groups of similar ability, between 3.30pm - 7pm.
 Please follow Western Tennis Association on facebook for updates and registration details.

CLUB GAMES - A great chance to put the coaching into practise! Games at Otautau or Winton. This is not a super serious competition, we car-pool, and depending on how many courts are available, it doesn't take too long.

Please contact Kate 0274139124 or Melissa 0272278010 ASAP if your child is keen, or for more info.



FRIDAY OCT 27TH

TICKETS \$5 **PRE-BUY TICKETS FROM WAI OCELS**

WAIIAU AREA SCHOOL

HALLOWEEN DISCO

TREATS **DRINKS**
LOLLIES **CHIPS**
GLOWSTICKS **POPCORN**

JUNIOR DISCO 6:45 - 7:30PM
SENIOR DISCO 7:45 - 9:00PM

Adopt a Calf

THE ADOPT A CALF SCHEME IS BACK FOR 2023.

What

- Student gets allocated a calf in the middle of September. First afternoon Wednesday 20th September 2023.
- 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 per day.

How

- Please email your interest to 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 close Friday 15th September.

Conditions

- Students and parent/caregivers will be required to sign a health & safety agreement
- 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 numbers or age.

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



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