

Newsletter - Issue #32 Week: 3rd - 7th October

Kia ora e te whānau, kumusta, ayubowan,

Included in this week's newsletter is a few reminders for our Year 5-8 students, who are bringing their own device for use at school. There are also guidelines to review how we use digital technology at Hauroko Valley. Please make sure your children know what the expectations are, as part of safe and responsible use.

Western Southland Festival of Golf

Two Year 7&8 teams, including Carter, Maddi, Isaac, and Mason, and Connor, Cassie, Louie, and Jonty, competed at Riverton's Golf Course for the annual Western Southland Festival of Golf. They competed in an Ambrose golf tournament while also participating in skill-based golf activities. This year, we were aiming to qualify for the Southland Champs, so it was awesome to have both teams place 1st and 2nd! Our two teams go through to the Southland Champs at Drummond Golf Course on 20th November.

Book Fair

Thank you for supporting our book fair. All books purchased contribute towards reward points for us, so we can choose some books for our library and some prizes for our school values draw. We enjoyed seeing the extensive choices of fiction and non-fiction books that our children have selected.

Native Plants

It was perfect weather for planting. All 80 of our learners headed to the school's back paddock to plant 154 natives to enhance our outdoor space. This was placed within the deer fencing, we have recently had erected in the zone. The environment team (Ilyssa, Alfred, Boe and Jack) did an outstanding job supporting Josh from 360 Landscaping in placing all the plants. Thank you to Lynley for supporting our team with this process. They then upskilled in how to prepare the hole and plant for planting, while also placing the weed mat and plant protector. Our children were proud to plant, with several intending to come back and visit to see its growth.

Food Technology

The Year 7&8 students made sushi, dumplings, and fried bread, All cultural foods from around the world. This is the first session for our senior students. The plan for Food Technology this term is a mix of options, including 1. cultural foods that are easy to prepare and popular to eat. 2. visiting Last Light to see how Craig creates a garden-to-table menu. 3. designing their own pie fillings and having these tested by a local pie connoisseur. 4. A high tea, preparing a menu of sweet and savoury treats for our grandparents. They also finished off today, by pie tasting and evaluating a range of options found in Southland - Tui Base Pies, Fat Bastard Pies, Jimmy Pies, and a few random options.

NZ Science & Technology Roadshow

Our Year 4 & 5 students are heading to the NZ Science and Technology Roadshow in Invercargill next week. This includes opportunities to engage with science and technology. The trip involves a swim and a slide on the hydroslide at Splash Palace. For our Year 4 students this is the beginning of getting out and about for Education Outside The Classroom. Thank you for supporting transport for our learners.

Year 8 Leavers Dinner

Next Friday evening, we look forward to holding our Year 8 Leavers Dinner in our multi-purpose building. Last year was a lovely evening for our leavers and their families. Even better this year, given the MPB is finished! Our staff can't wait to hear the speeches each individual shares about their memories while attending HVP.

Hauroko Valley Primary School team, Julia Waikato, Principal/Tumuaki



Magic Monday = Science experiments Each Monday Köwhai class create some magic with science experiments.

Bubble fun - using straws, dishwash liquid and water. We blew bubbles on our tables. Lots of fun discovering how we could make big bubbles, more that one bubble, put our fingers into bubbles, moving bubbles around the table and making a bubble around toy animals.

MandMs - We each got a pack of MandM's. We placed 6 different colours onto our plate, then added water. We watched the colours from the MandMs move around but not mix into each other.

Moving Colours - Using coffee filters, we coloured in the bottom. Using a peg we dipped into the water and watched as our colours moved up the paper. Then we drew more pictures and used pipettes to drop water onto our pictures to see what would

Digital Technology

At Hauroko Valley Primary School, we are supporting our learners to use digital technology responsibly. Please make sure that your child knows there are responsibilities for everyone. These are important, so we can keep everyone safe.

- Students are to use devices when invited to e.g, access the curriculum.
- Students are required to use their school account provided by HVP when at school. Personal or home accounts are to be used at home.
- Students go online or use the Internet only when a teacher is present.
- Students are to use their own devices, or school devices, not those that belong to others.
- Students will lock their devices away in a designated area of the classroom during break times or when not in use.
- Students are not to use the Internet, email, mobile phones, or any other ICT equipment to be mean, rude, or unkind about other people.
- If anything upsets a child, is mean or rude, or a child finds something that is not acceptable at school, students will: not show others, close the lid or turn off the screen, and let a teacher know straight away.
- Children must not bring any ICT equipment/devices to school (other than their approved BYOD). This includes things like mobile phones, iPods, games, cameras, USB drives, and software.
- Learners will ask their teacher's permission before putting any personal information online.

Bring Your Own Devices

These posters are guidelines to what responsibilities students have in regard to Bring Your Own Devices for our Year 5-8 learners.

Please re-read these and ensure your Year 5, 6, 7, and 8, child or children know what they are expected to be responsible for when bringing their own device for use.

You can see what Hauroko Valley Primary School is responsible for, which fits alongside.















Hauroko is responsible for...



















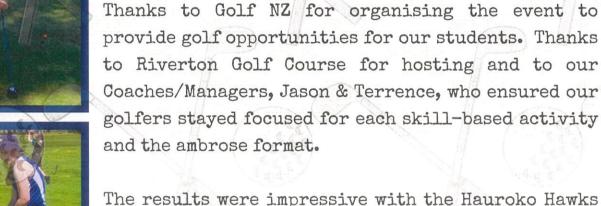


The Western Southland Festival of Golf was held at the Riverton Golf Course on Monday, 3rd November.

We entered two teams, Hauroko Hunters & Hauroko Hawks. Hauroko Hunters - Connor, Cassie, Louie, and Jonty. Hauroko Hawks - Carter, Maddi, Isaac, and Mason.



They played six holes of Ambrose golf and performed several skills-based golfing activities, including chipping, putting, pitching, and chuck and putt.





The results were impressive with the Hauroko Hawks placed 1st, and the Hauroko Hunters 2nd. Both teams have qualified to attend the Southland Golf Championships at Drummond, later on this Term.

-The Wild Zone-











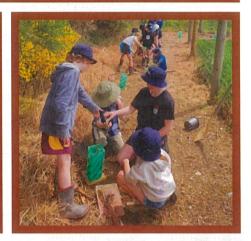


Finally, perfect weather conditions for our whole school to head outdoors to plant 154 mixed native plants in our "Wild Zone". There were several varieties supplied thanks to 360 Landscape. Josh introduced us to pittosporum, cabbage tree, flax, kowhai, manuka, and broadleaf. We had to ensure weed mats and plant protectors were placed around each of our native plants for support. Everyone, now has planted a tree that they can visit to see how it's growing. We are excited to be part of creating a special outdoor space, a place for native birds & insects, and opportunities for us to experience learning in nature.















-Native Planting-

DATES & EVENTS

Term 4 - Monday 6th October - Tuesday 16th December

Week 6

- Monday 10th November Western Southland Touch Module
- Tuesday 11th November Science & Technology Roadshow Year 4&5
- Wednesday 12th November Year 4-6 Bittern Education at HVP
- Wednesday 12th November Discovery 1.30 pm 3.00 pm
- Thursday 13th November KSOM
- Thursday 13th November Board Planning Day
- Friday 14th November Kōwhai Assembly 2.30 pm
- Friday 14th November Food Technology Year 7&8 at Waiau Area School
- Friday 14th November SBHS and SGHS Visits for Year 8 students
- Friday 14th November Year 8 Leavers Dinner 6.00 pm at Hauroko in MPB

Week 7

- Monday 17th November Western Southland Touch Module
- Wednesday 19th November Mitre 10 Tough Kids Year 4-6
- Wednesday 19th November Adventure Race Year 7&8
- Wednesday 19th November Discovery 1.30 pm 3.00 pm
- Thursday 20th November KSOM
- Friday 21st November Jonty Carran Tackle 10's Tournament in Otautau

Week 8

- Monday 24th November Western Southland Touch Module
- Monday 24th November Home and School Meeting from 7.30 pm
- Wednesday 26th November Discovery 1.30 pm 3.00 pm
- Thursday 27th November KSOM
- Thursday 27th November St John First Aid for all classes
- Friday 28th November Food Technology at Waiau Area School
- Friday 28th November Tōtara Assembly from 2.30 pm
- Friday 28th November Student Reports Go Home



DATES & EVENTS

Week 9

- Monday 1st December & Tuesday 2nd December Parent-Teacher Meetings
- Tuseday 2nd December BIG Day Out Year 8's
- Wednesday 3rd December Thursday 4th December and Friday 5th
 December Year 5&6 Borland Lodge Camp
- Wednesday 3rd December Ki O Rahi Tournament Year 7&8
- Wednesday 3rd December Discovery 1.30 pm 3.00 pm
- Thursday 4th December KSOM
- Friday 5th December Food Technology Year 7&8 at Waiau Area School

Week 10

- Monday 8th December, Tuesday 9th December, Wednesday 10th
 December, Thursday 11th December, and Friday 12th December Hauroko Valley Primary School Water Safety Skills at Tuatapere
 Community Pool
- Wednesday 10th December Final Discovery for 2025 1.30 pm 3.00 pm
- Thursday 11th December KSOM
- Friday 12th December HVP Carols in the Caves & Prize Giving

Week 11

- Monday 15th December Final Board Meeting for 2025 7.30 pm
- Tuesday 16th December HVP Swimming Sports & Final Day of 2025/Last Day of School
- Wednesday 17th December Teachers Only Day
- Thursday 18th December KSOM final lessons for students.

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.



Riverside Speedway

We are holding our annual ILT Foundation Fireworks Extravaganza on the 8th of November 4pm at Riverside Speedway - Sandy Point Road, Invercargill. As part of this we offer free tickets for kids from 5-12 years old with an adult. Please see the school office for these.

This year we are celebrating our 30th year of fireworks.
We have a whole bunch of entertainment for the kids including:
Free Bouncy Castle
Free Face Painting
Colouring Competition
And more...

COMMUNITY NOTICES

MEASLES UPDATE

We have just received an alert from the Ministry of Education around the increase in measles cases which seem to be slowly moving around the country. See below.

Health New Zealand is alerting schools to an escalating risk of measles as it responds to a measles outbreak following confirmation of 13 new cases of measles since 20 October.

This escalating risk is a concern, especially for education settings where measles can spread rapidly. In New Zealand, our measles immunisation rates are too low to prevent outbreaks from happening when measles is circulating in our communities. Our low immunisation rates contribute to this lack of community protection.

Measles is highly contagious and serious – about one in three people may need hospital care. It spreads when an infected person breathes, coughs or sneezes.

Measles is circulating and is very contagious. There is now measles in Northland, Auckland, Manawatu, Nelson and Wellington, and we expect further cases across New Zealand.

Watch out for symptoms - fever, cough, runny nose, sore eyes, and a blotchy rash

Anyone with measles symptoms must stay at home and should seek urgent advice by ringing their doctor or Healthline on 0800 611 116.

Anyone who is closely exposed to a measles case must stay at home. Heath New Zealand will provide individuals with advice on a case-by-case basis (including when they can leave quarantine at home). Health New Zealand is actively working with the schools that currently have measles cases.

People are considered immune to measles after having two doses of a measles vaccine from 12 months or older, or if you have had measles before. For more information on measles immunity visit: Measles immunity – Health New Zealand.

It is encouraged that families and whānau check their own and their child/childrens' immunisation status through My Health Record: My Health Record - Health New Zealand

Anyone born between 1969 and 2004 may have only received one vaccine dose and might not be fully protected. It's safe to get extra doses. A free vaccine can be booked online or via the Vaccination Helpline on 0800 28 29 26. If you have concerns please contact your doctor.

