

# HENLEY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Kia ora koutou katoa

It is such a pleasure to have our students back this term after a well-deserved break. We held our first assembly this week on Monday morning and we were so impressed by the respectful listening and the responsible way the children self-managed, every student present was awarded an extra 5 minute free play as they left the hall.

Welcome to the following students who have started at Henley so far this term: Lilly C (Rm 1), Zoe C (Rm 4), George H (Rm 1), George S (Rm 2), Miles L (Rm 3), Elsa H (Rm 1), Aaliyah S (Rm 1), Libby P (Rm 1), Leon P (Rm 2) and Yuann I (Rm 2).

Our staff had a busy Teacher Only Day on Monday 24th April. They spent time exploring the Aotearoa New Zealand Histories Curriculum, planning with the new curriculum for the Term 3 Social Science unit, Positive Behaviour for Learning Professional Development and looking at how we can support our students with building their knowledge of Mathematics basic facts. Later this term, every child in the school will participate in learning some basic facts as part of our Maths Magic school fundraiser. More information will be shared with you closer to the time.



This year ANZAC Day fell on the day before the children returned to school, I am sure you took time to reflect and talk about the significance of this day. Many classes read stories and made ANZAC biscuits last week. Three classes went on an excursion to the Richmond War Memorial in Oxford Street, they were able to look at the wreaths that had been laid and learn about what this special place is about.



Special thanks to the parents of Junior Syndicate children, who attended a before school meeting on Tuesday morning this week, to learn more about the Better Start to Literacy Approach which our Junior Syndicate classes are implementing this year. If you have any questions regarding this information, please see your child's classroom teacher.

We are fortunate to be well supported by the NZ Police at our school pedestrian crossings. Recently we have had a local Police Officer present to support safety at these crossings. Please remember the yellow lines are 'no stopping' areas and are there for everyone's safety. When you drop off and pick up your child, make sure you stop in a designated park or stopping area. Let's keep everyone safe.

On Friday we will take some time to talk to the students about the coronation of King Charles III, which is taking place on Saturday 6th May. With New Zealand being a member of the Commonwealth, we believe it is important for the children have some knowledge around what this event signifies.

He aroha whakatō, he aroha puta mai – *If kindness is sown, kindness you shall receive.* 

Ngā mihi nui Natalie Doty Acting Principal



UPCOMING DATES	
Mon 8 May – Thurs 11 May	Life Education Bus – Junior and Senior Syndicates
Mon 8 May – Fri 12 May	Middle Syndicate Swim Magic
Mon 15 May	Board of Trustees - 5.30pm, Tasman Room
Thurs 18 May	Newsletter
Fri 19 May	Pink Shirt Day
Week 4	Rippa Regionals – date to be confirmed

PB4L

**Positive Behaviour For Learning** 

One main part of being a PB4L school, is role modelling our school values everywhere, by everyone, everyday. Staff and students are constantly using and hearing the values: caring, respect, fairness, honesty and responsibility, and it's a pleasure to see these values both in and out of the classroom.



In one minute's silence, you can imagine bullets zipping through the murky, smoke-filled Turkish air. Fear rising of young men missing their homes. (Nirvana)

In one minute's silence you can hear bullets flying and people screaming, sobbing in despair as their comrades fall to the ground, never to take another breath. (Tara)

As soon as they step onto the sand, bullets come dashing at them as they run up the beach trying to claim ground as the war begins. (Dian)

# **ROOM 4 ANZAC WRITING**

(Snippets from their poems)

Remember the heroes who sacrificed their lives so we could have our today. Lest we forget. (Zoey)

In one minute's silence, you can imagine soldiers trying to catch their breath so they can face their enemy. (Maggie)
In one minute's silence clambering for, you can imagine young soldiers cover as the first few bullets shatter the peace of the early morning. (Jisu)

In one minute's silence, you can hear war planes soaring over you and alarms going off telling you to take cover. (Mikey)

### In One Minute of Silence - an Anzac Tribute

In one minute's, silence, you can imagine explosives flying. Soldiers crying over the deceased, and mothers sobbing over letters from homesick sons. Men and boys wondering if they will live another day. Scar-like trenches cover the bumpy ground.

In one minute's, silence, you can smell the salty sea air as you sail past nearby countries. You can smell gunpowder as you fire your next round of bullets and mould from the damp wooden crosses covering the peninsula.

In one minute's, silence you can hear bombs exploding and guns firing repetitively, cries and screams from the wounded, and the Turkish yelling in an unknown language.

In one minute's, silence, you can imagine men carrying weapons into a living nightmare. Cold soldiers wearing blood-stained jackets and solid boots take the impact of the endless effort.

In one minute's, silence, you can smell unwashed heroes wearing the rancid smell of war like a suit.

In one minute's, silence, you can imagine cold, lonely soldiers being reunited with loved ones after an abominable war, finally feeling safe. That is why we have a minute of silence today and show our respect to the soldiers who fought for our freedom.

by Sophie Quinn - Rm 3

# In One Minute of Silence - an Anzac Tribute

In one minute of silence, you can imagine men defending their land feeling exhausted, soldiers charging into no man's land with courage. You can imagine guns firing rapidly and bullets plummeting through the air.

In one minute of silence, you can imagine screams of horror from young soldiers fighting for their lives, bombs hitting the ground with force.

In one minute of silence, you can see blood-stained clothes lying on the ground, and abandoned guns. Bullets whistled through the air and bombs exploded. In one minute of silence, you can smell the smoke from fires and the smell of fear.

Lest we forget.

by Mac Campbell - Rm 3

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**2023 SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE** – Over 3 events in the month of May. Sat 13th, Sat 20th and Sat 27th May. Runners must pre-register using this link <a href="https://webscorer.com/register?pid=1&raceid=309896">https://webscorer.com/register?pid=1&raceid=309896</a>

FREE CAR SEAT CHECKS ROAD SAFETY WEEK 15-20 May 2023 – Make sure your Childs car seat is safe – bring it in to Baby On The Move Nelson for a free check. To book a time call 03 547 2555. Bookings essential.

RAISING BODY CONFIDENT KIDS – Emma Wright's Parent Seminar. Thursday 18th May 7pm at Nelson College for Girls Main Hall. Tickets \$20 plus booking fee. Tickets on sale at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/emma-wright-raising-body-confident-kids-tickets-601103575977

YIKES - Before and After School Care. Semi-rural in Richmond. Free pick up/Drop off. Enquires: ph 021 803 411. www.yikesnelson.com