



# HENLEY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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**7 March 2024**  
**No: 3 Term 1**

Kia ora koutou te whānau  
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to the following students who have started recently: Chase B (Rm 16), Melina B (Rm 2) and Kobi S (Rm 2).

I wish to extend a special thank you to everyone who attended Parent/Teacher Conferences. Our staff find these incredibly valuable in gaining additional information and it enables them to both build a deeper relationship and cater for individual needs more effectively. Your time and partnership with the school helps to enhance your child's learning experience. A big thank you to the staff also, for the additional time they put into these conferences.



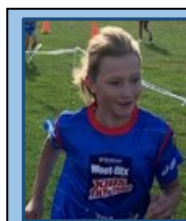
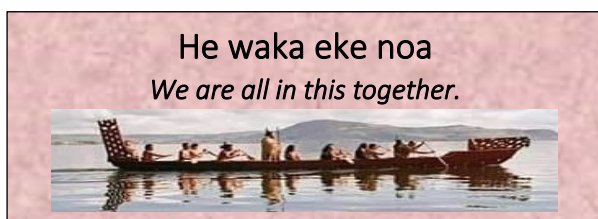
A huge thank you to everyone who supported our students and staff to travel to Nayland Pool on Wednesday for the whole school swimming sports. We know it is a lot of organisation for parents to provide transport and we are grateful to have your support with this as well as the spectators who encourage, cheer and keep an extra eye on our young people. Nayland Pool allows us to be all together in one location due to the number of students at our school. Congratulations to all students who participated, and thanks to Cade, Gary and the staff for making this event happen. Thanks also to Hannah and the Friends of Henley School (FOHS) for organising the baking table and Juicies.

As many of you will be aware, the Government has introduced a requirement for all students in Years 0-8 to be taught one hour each day for Reading, Writing and Mathematics. This is already happening in our school. This requirement is worked out on an average of teaching one hour per day across a five-day school week. Please note this requirement does not mean that students will be taught these subjects in uninterrupted 60-minute-long blocks as we know that this is developmentally inappropriate for many of our learners and for our students to remain engaged in their learning they still need variety in what they do. The 'hour a day' is both broken down into shorter learning sessions where appropriate and also integrated with other curriculum areas such as Social Sciences, Health or The Arts. For our youngest students, it is also incredibly important for them to develop their oral language skills, and therefore much of their learning is integrated.

In order for our students to learn, we continue to have a focus on them having regular attendance at school. Regular attendance is defined as attending school greater than 90% of class time and missing no more than one day each fortnight. We ask that whenever your child is well, that they attend school please. If you are unsure whether to send your child, please phone us and we can discuss individual circumstances. The Waimea Campus Attendance Support Co-ordinator is Mrs Caroline Clarke, and she is working across Henley, Waimea Intermediate and Waimea College to help with the focus on regular attendance.

Finally, good luck to those students participating in this weekend's **Weetbix Tryathlon** – I look forward to seeing many of you on Sunday at Tahunanui Beach.

Kind regards,  
Ngā mihi nui  
John Armstrong  
Principal



**THIS SUNDAY**  
**Tahunanui Beach**  
**10 March 2024**  
**Click on the link below**



<http://www.tryathlon.co.nz/locations/nelson>

## UPCOMING DATES

<b>Sun 10 March</b>	Weetbix Tryathlon – Tahunanui
<b>Wed 13 March</b>	Interschool Swimming Sports – Nayland Pool
<b>Wed 20 March</b>	Senior Syndicate Trip – Whitebait Connect
<b>Thurs 21 March</b>	Senior Syndicate Trip – Whitebait Connect
<b>Thurs 21 March</b>	Newsletter
<b>Mon 25–Thurs 28 March</b>	Life Education Bus – Whole School
<b>Tues 26 &amp; Wed 27 March</b>	Class & Individual School Photos



### MEMO FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Kia ora, welcome to the 2024 school year.

The Board of Trustees and staff at Henley School are committed to providing the best opportunities for all our tamariki and empowering all learners to reach their potential.

This week we are emailing home a statement which includes a request for the School Donation of \$100 per family. You can choose to pay through your myKindo account either in one lump sum or small regular payments. Some families may also wish to donate more to “pay it forward” for another family, you are welcome to do this too.

Unfortunately, Henley School is not eligible in 2024 for the School Donation Scheme and as a result, receives significantly less funding.

Donations make a big difference to our ability to go the extra mile for our students and we are exceptionally grateful to those who are able to give.

We rely on the support of our community to provide many of the extras that we believe are essential to learning but cannot always be covered by the Government Operations Grant such as; library books, sports and music equipment and the upkeep of the school pool.

Our Henley School community is strong and we would like to thank you for all the ways you give to our school with helping in the classroom, volunteering on school trips and getting involved with the Friends of Henley School group.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Kirstie Van Houtte  
Chairperson Henley School Board of Trustees



## School Photos 2024 Tues 26 & Wed 27 March

This year there will be individual portraits as well as class photographs. Further information will be given in the next few weeks.

### Naming of Uniform Garments

As the season is slowly changing and layers are being used and removed during the day, could you please make sure all items, **especially fleeces and hats** are named.

Thank you.



### Henley School Board of Trustees

#### Casual vacancy for a parent representative



A casual vacancy has occurred on the school board for an elected parent representative.

The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection.

If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Requests for a by-election should be sent to:

Tracey Aindow  
Henley School Board of Trustees secretary  
office@henley.school.nz

#### Caroline Clarke - Attendance Support Co-ordinator



Caroline works across the Waimea Campus, working with students and their families at Henley, Waimea Intermediate and Waimea College. Caroline analyses data so we can identify and support students to attend school more regularly and to encourage families to prioritise attendance.

At Henley, our goal is to ensure that every student attends school regularly in order to gain the greatest benefit from their education. Ongoing days off school have a significant impact on a student's learning.

**If a student misses a week of school each term, by the time they are 16 they will have missed a year of schooling.**

Please reach out to the school if your child is struggling to attend school regularly so that we can make a plan together. Henley School Ph 544 8904.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**MUDDY BUDDY ADVENTURE FUN RUN** – Sunday 17 March 2024, Tasman School. Visit [www.tasman.school.nz](http://www.tasman.school.nz) for more information.

**PRETTY CRAFTY EASTER MARKET** – Sunday 17 March, Richmond Town Hall, 9 Cambridge Street, 10am-2pm. Please bring cash as stalls do not have Eftpos.

**WE WILL ROCK YOU** – Nelson Youth Theatre. 10-19 April. Bookings: [www.theatroyalnelson.co.nz](http://www.theatroyalnelson.co.nz)

**THE LION KING (JR)** – Nelson Youth Theatre. 14-20 April. Bookings: [www.theatroyalnelson.co.nz](http://www.theatroyalnelson.co.nz)

# Henley School Swimming Sports

## March 2024



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