

# MIDDLE SYNDICATE Newsletter

## Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

A warm welcome back to the school year.

Already your children have settled into their new classrooms, with teachers and pupils enjoying getting to know each other.

Teachers are available to discuss any concerns you have about your child. However, all teaching staff are required to attend Staff and Syndicate meetings on Monday and Tuesday at 3:15 so we ask you to arrange a time outside these hours.

We look forward to meeting you at our Meet the Teacher evening on Wednesday 15 February where we outline class routines and answer any questions.

Nga mihi

Carolyn, Pauline, Sam, Kere, Hannah, Henry and Donna.



## Term 1 Dates for Diaries

### Meet the Middle Syndicate Evening

15<sup>th</sup> February 6:15 p.m. - meet in school hall.

### Swimming Sports- Nayland Pool

1<sup>st</sup> March

### Parent/Teacher Conferences

Thursday 2nd March p.m.

### School Triathlon (Middles and Seniors)

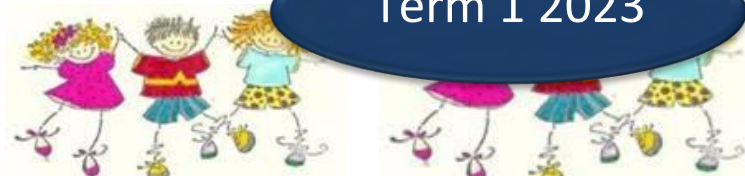
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March

### Last day of Term 1

Thursday 6th April

### Good Friday

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April



# Physical Education

Swimming is our focus for Term 1. We appreciate you supporting your child's participation by ensuring they bring their togs to school on their swimming days. A notice will be sent home when the season has ended. Our Swimming Sports are at Nayland Pool on March 1<sup>st</sup>. **At this stage we are experiencing a low number of parents offering transport for this event. For the event to go ahead we rely on parent support.**

It is also important for children to have a clearly named water bottle at school every day and wear suitable footwear, such as running shoes. A friendly reminder to check your child's uniform is clearly named, this allows items to be returned quickly to its owner. Please remember wearing a Henley School sunhat is a compulsory part of our uniform in Term 1 and 4.



## Walk to School Wednesdays

Also happening this term, we have a school-wide focus encouraging staff and students to make healthy choices. Each Wednesday we are asking children and adults to walk, ride or scooter to school. For some families it may not be possible to walk the entire distance so have suggested they walk the final couple of blocks to school.

### Library

Children may issue three books and while they need to be returned weekly, they can be re-issued. At Henley School we promote respect and care of library books so they must go home in a protective bag. These can be purchased from the school office for \$5.50.

#### ***Classroom Timetable:***

Monday	
Tuesday	Room 7 and Room 8
Wednesday	Room 13, 14 and 15
Thursday	
Friday	Room 9 and 10



## Term 1 Curriculum

**Henley Values:** Respect, Responsibility, Caring, Fairness and Honesty

**Oral Language** – Conversational Talk and Responsive Listening

**Written Language** - Recounts

**Reading** - Making Predictions, Activating Prior Knowledge

**Mathematics** - Number Knowledge, Addition and Subtraction, Measurement- Capacity and Volume

**Physical Education**- Swimming, Triathlon, summer sports

**Art** – Line and Colour

**Te Reo** - Greetings, Farewells, Feelings

**Social Science** – Treaty of Waitangi, Class Treaty

**Health** – Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) and Zones of Regulation Programme

**Learning Technologies** - Digital Treaty, Seesaw, Apps for Education

## Positive Behaviour for Learning

We are in the second year of our school-wide focus: **Positive Behaviour for Learning**. You may hear your child talking about our school values: **Respect- Whakaute**, **Caring- Manaakitanga**, **Fairness- Nga Tapatahi**, **Responsibility- Tūtika**, and **Honesty- Pono**. Our expectation is to see these values happening by **Everyone, Everyday, Everywhere**. All classes have a reward system based on these values, along with our school-wide recognition.



# Meet the Middle Syndicate Teachers



*Carolyn Wright Room 7 -  
Syndicate Leader*



*Pauline Miller Room 8*



*Sam Baxendine Room 9*



*Kere Scott Room 10*



*Donna Stanaway Room 15*

*We are very pleased to welcome  
Hannah Ewers (Rm 13) and Henry  
Davey Wraight (Rm 14) to the  
Middle Syndicate.*



*Hannah Ewers Room 13*

My name is Hannah Ewers. I live in Mahana on a lifestyle block with my five year old son Lenny. We both enjoy a wide range of hobbies which include football, cricket, tramping and biking. Before training to be a teacher I worked as a chef and enjoy spending time cooking at home. I look forward to the year ahead at Henley School.



*Henry Davey Wraight Room 14*

My name is Henry Davey Wraight. Before moving back to the Tasman area (where I grew up), I was a zookeeper for seven years in Auckland and Christchurch. I live with my partner, Marama, our son, Billy (4), and our Jack Russell, Patrick. In my spare time, I enjoy football, snowboarding, fishing, travelling, and exploring the outdoors.

