



JUNIOR SYNDICATE Newsletter

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to school and a special welcome to the families of our new children. What a lot of exciting events we have coming up in Term 1!

The children are settling into their new classrooms and we are enjoying getting to know them. We value the interest you take in your child's learning and the way you are supporting your child with the morning class routines as well as following up on the many notices that come home in the Reading Bag.

We also appreciate the commitment being made to help within the classroom.

Kind regards

Natalie, Peg, Mel, Simone, Tracy, Finn, Carolyn, Donna and Sabine



Term 1 Events

- Life Education Classroom visits - 17th - 28th February
- Meet the Syndicate Evening – Tuesday 25th February
- Junior Picnic with Harold – 28th February 12:15-12:45 pm
- School Swimming Sports at Nayland Pool - 5th March
- Parent/Teacher Conferences – Tuesday 10th March
- Butterfly Musketeer visit- Thursday 12th March
- Last day of Term 1 – Thursday 9th April



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Health and Physical Education

The focus for this term is swimming and a note will be sent home when the season has ended. The children will then concentrate on small ball throwing and catching skills. We appreciate the way you are encouraging your child's positive participation by ensuring that they bring their togs to school every day. Junior classes only swim if the pool temperature is at least 20 degrees. It is also important for children to have a clearly named water bottle at school every day. Sensible footwear is necessary such as running shoes with Velcro fasteners that are easy for Junior children to manage or flat sandals that securely strap to the foot. A friendly reminder to check that your child's uniform is clearly named, especially polar fleeces and hats, so that they can be quickly returned when left somewhere. Please remember a Henley School sunhat is a compulsory part of our uniform in Term 1.



Library

We promote respect and care of Library books at Henley School. Children are allowed two books at a time. All books must go home in a protective bag which are available for purchase from the school office, for \$5.50. Books need to be returned weekly (but may be re-issued).

Weekly Timetable:

Monday	Room 19
Tuesday	Room 16
Wednesday	Room 1 and Room 17
Thursday	Room 2
Friday	Rooms 5 and Room 6, Room 18



School Drop off/Pick up

A friendly reminder that both the Henley School and Waimea Intermediate driveways are not to be used when dropping off and picking up your children. Please walk in from the street or the Henley School carpark on William Street. Thank you.





What We Are Studying this Term

Henley Values	Integrity and Respect
Oral Language	Using people's names, speaking in full sentences, looking at the speaker, responding to greetings and instructions, participating appropriately in buddy, group and class discussions
Written Language	Recounting events, Character Description of Self
Reading	Comprehension Strategy: <i>Making Connections</i>
Mathematics	Number, Fractions, Measurement topics, Geometry
Physical Education	Swimming, Small Ball throwing and catching skills
Science	Bring Back the Butterflies, Sun smart
Art	Self Portraits-Painting with Colour mixing
Music	Singing/Waiata
Te Reo	Greetings, Farewells, Commands, Colours, Feelings Manaakitanga-Caring
Social Science	Treaty of Waitangi linked to Class treaty
Health	Understanding Me and Sunsmart
Learning Technologies	Digital Safety

Homework

Reading is the focus for all Junior children, and it is important that they do this daily with an adult. Children will all have a reader from in class most days and alphabet, a rhyme or a blend to practise. They may also have a ring with basic words to read. It is important to find a quiet time that works for you and your child. This maybe at home or in the classroom before school. You can also have fun counting with your child and reading numbers in the environment to develop their Mathematics knowledge.





Meet the Junior Syndicate Teachers



Peg Eder Room 5/Kiwi - Syndicate Leader



Tracy Goddard Room 6/Weka



Simone Busuttil Room 2



Mel Beattie Room 1



Finn Deeley Room 16



Carolyn Wright Room 17



Donna Elkington Room 18



Sabine Reinert Room 19



Jo Bowen Fantail Room (Term 2)



We love having our positive Mrs Doty as Deputy Principal and overseeing the Juniors. Natalie welcomes new children into the Junior Syndicate and liaises with the local Early Childhood Education centres and parents, as their children transition to school. She happily makes herself available to meet with parents of Junior children by appointment. Please communicate with your child's classroom teacher, in the first instance.

Natalie Doty - Deputy Principal

