



# HENLEY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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11 March 2021  
No: 3 Term 1

Tēnā koutou katoa.

Tēnei te mihi atu ki a koutou

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome to the following new students who have started at Henley School recently: Lilah R (Rm 2), Katie H (Fantail Rm), Aadi A (Rm 4) and William B (Rm 5).



Last week was certainly an interesting week for us here at Henley School. On Monday we had to implement the Alert Level 2 systems and procedures. On the same day we had heavy rain and minor flooding right at the busy 8.30am-9am period. Then, towards the end of the week, we had significant earthquakes and tsunami events that required our attention. All of these events create uncertainty and a level of anxiety in the community and that is understandable.

Thankfully, we have now moved down Alert Levels to Alert Level 1. Last week was a timely reminder to us once again to continue to be vigilant and follow the guidelines. At Alert Level 1, there is still a risk of COVID-19 returning to the community. You are encouraged to continue tracking where you've been and who you've seen to help with contact tracing, if required. Staying at home if you're sick is especially important at Alert Level 1. The risk of COVID-19 being spread in the community is much greater when there are no restrictions on gatherings or going out. If you or your child/ren have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, stay home and call your doctor or Healthline on 0800 358 5453 to see if you need a test. Finally, a big thanks (once again) to all the staff at Henley for implementing and adapting to the Alert Level changes.

Considerable planning has already been done in case we move to Alert Level 3 in the future. As part of this planning, we are keen to know the approximate number of students we could expect to have on site (most children would be expected to be isolated in family 'bubbles' at home during this time). An email will be sent out soon with a link to a survey for us to capture this information. This allows us to plan for the number of teachers we would need to have on site to teach in the event of moving to this level. At Alert Level 3 we would also be running a 'distance learning programme' as we did in 2020. Hopefully we won't need to activate this plan but it is best to be prepared – if we don't end up using it for COVID it could be utilised for other scenarios such as natural disasters.

Finally – best wishes to all of the Henley School competitors in The Nelson Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon this weekend at Tahunanui Recreation Ground. I look forward to seeing you there on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March. All competitors are allowed to wear the Official t-shirt and their medal to school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March where we will get a group photo of the children who competed.

Ngā mihi nui

John

## UPCOMING DATES

Fri 12 March	Morning tea for parents new to Henley School
Fri 12 March	FOHS (Friends of Henley School) second hand uniform sale – 8.30am to 9.00am – Hall Meeting Room
Mon 22 March	Board of Trustees meeting – 5.30pm – Richmond Room
Thurs 25 March	Newsletter
Thurs 1 April	Henley School Triathlon for Years 3 to 6 – 1.30pm
<b>Fri 2 April</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
<b>Mon 5 April</b>	<b>EASTER MONDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
<b>Tues 6 April</b>	<b>EASTER TUESDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED (Easter Tuesday is observed by all New Zealand schools)</b>
Thurs 8 April	Newsletter
Fri 9 April	FOHS (Friends of Henley School) second hand uniform sale – 8.30am to 9.00am – Hall Meeting Room
Fri 16 April	Last day of school for Term 1

Do you have any surplus ice cream containers at home? We would love them at school please!



## EASTER 2021



New Zealand schools are closed for the following days over Easter.

Friday 2 April – Good Friday  
Monday 5 April – Easter Monday  
Tuesday 6 April – Easter Tuesday



## MEMO FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Kia ora, welcome to the 2021 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.

Today we are sending home a statement which will include a request for the School Donation of \$100 per family. You can choose to pay this in one lump sum or small regular payments which can be made at the School Office or direct into the school's bank account.

Unfortunately, being a decile 8 school, we receive significantly less funding than schools of deciles 1-7.

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 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



### Waimea Kahui Ako presents An Online Safety Information Evening

With Rob & Zareen Cope – Parents & Filmmakers

**MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH – 7.00pm to 8.30pm**  
**Brightwater School, 106 Ellis Street, Brightwater**

- Understand the harms our kids are facing online in relation to pornography, predators and social media access.
- Learn practical solutions to keep your children safer online.
- Get advice on healthy ways to approach these tricky topics.
- Learn what to do when your child has been exposed to something harmful.
- This talk also includes an online safety plan tailored to suit your family's needs.

To find out more about Rob and Zareen's work, visit [www.ourkidsonline.info](http://www.ourkidsonline.info)

## 2021 STATEMENTS

Statements are being emailed home this week for each student. The statements will show one or more of the following:

- 2021 School Donation request (shown on the statement of the eldest child of each family only)
- Any unpaid sports subs or event costs from prior to 2021
- Any unpaid charges for new entrant stationery
- Any unpaid charges for Henley School Portfolios

If you have any queries regarding the statement, or statements you receive, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

**We would appreciate prompt payment of any overdue charges.**

The school is happy to receive payment of any outstanding charges by instalments if you wish.

The school welcomes payment of the School Donation. If you wish, you may pay by instalments of \$25.00 per term. Remember, you can claim a third of your donation back from IRD.

Thank you.

**Thank you to  
Andre Keefe for  
facilitating the  
donation by  
Panasonic NZ of  
a 42" television  
to the school.**



**It is very much  
appreciated.**

## COMMUNITY NOTICES COMMUNITY NOTICES COMMUNITY NOTICES COMMUNITY NOTICES

**AMERICAS CUP** – the Nelson Yacht Club is the region's official ETNZ Fan Zone during the 36<sup>th</sup> America's Cup. There are free events for the local community, supported by Nelson City Council and the Rata Foundation as well as a host of local and national businesses. For more information visit <https://www.nelsonyachtclub.org.nz/etnz-fan-zone/>

**TASMAN HOCKEY** – boys and girls are needed for teams in all grades, the season begins in April and May (grade dependant) and training starts soon. Play is at Saxton Field on the artificial turfs. Uniforms and goalie gear is provided. Games are on Wednesdays and Fridays (grade dependant). For inquiries please contact the secretary at [tasmanhockeyclub@gmail.com](mailto:tasmanhockeyclub@gmail.com)

**NELSON YOUTH THEATRE** – April School Holidays – MOANA JR (21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> April) CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG JR (26<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May) LITTLE WOMEN THE BROADWAY MUSICAL (26<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May) – for more information visit [www.theatroyalnelson.co.nz](http://www.theatroyalnelson.co.nz)

**BRIDGE VALLEY HOLIDAY CAMPS** - Our Holiday Programmes for children and youth are coming up in the April school holidays. This camp will be 'Time Warp' themed, and we will be visiting different decades each day! **Ultimate Time Warp Camp** (ages 11-13): 19<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Includes all our most extreme activities at camp such as high ropes, laser tag, luge and abseiling.

**Junior Time Warp Camp** (ages 8-11): 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> April. This camp includes our classic Bridge Valley activities such as rock climbing, zipline, archery and more. Register on our website soon to secure a spot! [www.bridgevalley.co.nz](http://www.bridgevalley.co.nz)