



HENLEY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Happy Diwali to all our Indian families and community members here at Henley School.

We have an increasing number of families with a connection to the Indian community in our school. Diwali or Deepavali is an important and ancient Indian festival celebrated throughout India and in Indian communities around the world. Colloquially known as 'The Festival of Lights', Diwali signifies the triumph of light over darkness. It is often referred to as the festival of lights and is one of the most popular holidays in India. Many years ago, I was fortunate enough to be travelling in India during this festival and I remember it as being a very colourful, loud, and fun time. India remains one of my favourite countries outside of New Zealand.

A special welcome to the following students who have started at Henley School recently:
Eli G (Rm 4/15), Macie S (Richmond Rm) and Callum K (Rm 9).

Well done to the following children who represented Henley School at the Nelson Bays Tennis Association Primary School Championship held at the Richmond Tennis Club last week – Lachie M, Max N, Taylor O and Georgia S. A big thanks to Julie N who managed the team on the day. Taylor won the Primary School Open Singles title while Georgia won the Division Two title.



Next week our Middle Syndicate children will be heading off to camp at Bridge Valley. Considerable work goes into organising the camps and I would like to thank the teachers for their commitment in making this outdoor experience a reality for the children. As teachers, we learn a lot more about our class and the individual children. For some children it is their chance to shine and demonstrate skills in other areas. Camps provide opportunities to learn some of the key competencies required to function in society. Thank you to all the parents who are supporting the camp in various ways such as transport, baking or by offering to be a camp parent. The organisation of this camp has been even more challenging in working through the requirements of the Alert Level 2 guidance and the Vaccination mandate requirements. Parent volunteer helpers in school from November 15th 2021 are also required to be vaccinated (this includes providing transport, helping in classrooms and assisting in any events where they may have contact with children). Here is the link to the relevant information <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-response-planning/covid-19-mandatory-vaccinations>



Last week a number of our students took part in the Nelson Primary Schools Gymnastics Festival at the Nelson Intermediate Mosey-Grayson Gymnasium. Congratulations to all those who took part and special thanks to Julia N who managed our competitive team.

Our competitive girls consisting of Annabelle D, Zara N (1st overall), Holly H (2nd overall) and Eliza R (3rd overall) had a great festival.

While we are at Alert Level 2, it would be appreciated that parents continue with the current drop off and pick up arrangements at either our William Street or Gilbert Street entrances. If you have to come on site, please ensure you have

a mask on, scan in and avoid entering the classrooms. Masks should also be worn if you are entering our School Office – we do appreciate your cooperation with these guidelines from the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education.

Finally – Henley School does not need to make any contingency plans for operating under the Vaccination Mandate for teachers as all our teaching and non-teaching staff are vaccinated. It is business as usual for us here.

Ngā mihi nui
John



UPCOMING DATES

Mon/Tues 15/16 November	Middle Syndicate Camp Rms 9 & 10
Tues/Wed 16/17 November	Middle Syndicate Camp Rms 7 & 8
Wed /Thurs 17/18 November	Middle Syndicate Camp Rms 13 & 14
Fri 19 November	Yr6 Orientation Day at Waimea Intermediate – 11am
Tues 23 November	Athletics Day – Whole school – Students only
Thurs 25 November	Senior Syndicate “Top Team Day”
Fri 26 November	<i>Athletics Postponement Day</i>

Loud Shirt Day



Henley School held a “Loud Shirt Day” on Friday 29th October to raise funds for The Hearing House and the Southern Cochlear Implant Programme who help children and adults with hearing loss. We all looked very bright and “loud” and raised \$689.90. Thank you everyone.

SWIMMING POOL KEY HIRE

We are pleased to let our families know that the Henley School pool opens for the 2021 – 2022 season for our families on Monday 8th November. You can hire a key for the season through your myKindo account then call into the office sometime the day after to collect it (between 9.00am and 3.00pm only). To complete your hire of a key through your myKindo account you will need to read the School Pool rules on our website <https://www.henley.school.nz/henley-primary-school-information/swimming-pool-keys/?stage=Stage>

If you don't already have your myKindo account you can use this link to find out more and to register

<https://www.henley.school.nz/kindo/?stage=Stage>

When enjoying the pool this summer please scan in using the QR code

by the pool entrance and ensure that non swimmers observe the current social distancing guidelines.



Athletics day

Tuesday 25 November

This year due to Covid Alert Level 2 Guidelines from the Ministry of Education, Athletics Day will be for the children only. Unfortunately parents and extended whānau are not able to attend Athletics Day.



A FEW GREAT CALENDAR ART SAMPLES FROM ROOM 7



COMMUNITY NOTICES

WAIMEA SWIMMING CLUB– Starting it's summer season on Monday 15th November at Waimea College. Small friendly club offering training up to 4 times a week. Volunteer coaches keep the fees low. All ages, anyone who would like to work on their swimming ability is welcome. For more information about swimming with the club please visit www.waimea.swimming.org.nz or email at waimasecretary@gmail.com

JUNIOR JAMMERS BASKETBALL PROGRAMME – Saxton Stadium, every Tuesday starting 2nd November. Ideal for children aged 5-11 with supported learning needs or lacking confidence in the sports environment. \$20 for 6 sessions. For further details email admin@inclusivesport.org.nz or phone Julie Price, Inclusive Trust Sport Co-ordinator on 021 062 6750.

ACTIVE8KIDS MULTI SPORT – Saxton Stadium, Fundamental Sports Skills Programme. Ideal for children aged 5-11 with supported learning needs or lacking confidence in the sports environment. For further details email admin@inclusivesport.org.nz or phone Julie Price, Inclusive Trust Sport Co-ordinator on 021 062 6750.

DEAF KIDS NELSON – Christmas party for hard of hearing children and their families. For more information, please contact Rachel Summers on 021 02 4400.

HAVE A GO AT PLAYING TENNIS – Sunday 14 November 9-10am for Henley School students at the Richmond Tennis Club – 18a Gladstone Road. To register contact Kolie van Zyl on 027 829 3306 or email kolievez@yahoo.com

LOVE TENNIS – Richmond Tennis Club, 18a Gladstone Road, 21 November, 10am -4pm. For more information visit www.lovetennis.kiwi