



HENLEY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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KI RUNGA RAWA - WHĀIA TE ITI KAHURANGI - KIA WHĀI TE TAUMATA

9 December 2021
No: 4 Term 4

Kia ora koutou te whānau
Mere Kirihimete (Merry Christmas)

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As the year draws to a close, I would like to acknowledge various groups that contribute to the success of the school. The spirit of cooperation between children, staff, parents and the Board of Trustees is crucial in developing partnerships for improvement and success. As was the case in 2020, we have had an interrupted year however we have managed to get through despite having to continuously adapt to new challenges and guidelines. We have also managed to get our Middle Syndicate Camps, Market Day, Top Team Day, Athletic Sports and Year 6 Formal Dinner completed in what has been a very challenging Term 4. I am proud of the way we have looked for ways to make events happen rather than simply cancelling them.



I would like to acknowledge Sabine Reinert from Room 19 who is leaving us to start at Tapawera Area School next year. Sabine has been here for over 10 years and now lives near Tapawera so this is a sensible move for her as well as a new challenge. Thanks also to Nicole Heybourn who taught in Terms 3 and 4 in Room 7, Jane Downey who taught in the Richmond Room for Term 4, and to Leah Davis who has been working as a Teacher Aide in 2021 – we have enjoyed your input to the school. Next year we welcome back Reshly Harrison and Samantha Hickman to our staff. We also welcome Hannah Robinson who will join us in the Junior Syndicate. Hannah is a former Henley School student herself and is relocating to us from Hanmer Springs School to be closer to her family.

I would like to wish our current group of Year 6 students all the best for the next step in their education and thank them for their contribution to Henley School. For those other students who may be transferring schools or moving to another region, I wish you all the best too. I thank the Board of Trustees for their on-going support and encouragement in my role as principal. I enjoy the job because it is challenging, yet enjoyable, and also because no day is the same. Our Board members make a significant commitment of time and energy and can be proud of their achievements.

Thanks also to the large number of parents who donate their time to carry out a myriad of tasks around the school such as putting away reading books, photocopying, reading with groups, taking transport, taking singing and music and coaching to name a few. We value these contributions and look forward to your continued support in 2022. Merry Christmas, thanks for your support and enjoy some family time over the festive season.

Kind regards,
John Armstrong
Principal/Tumuaki



2022 TERM DATES

The school term dates for 2022 are as follows;

Term 1 Thurs 3 Feb to Thurs 14 April

Term 2 Mon 2 May to Fri 8 July

Term 3 Mon 25 July to Fri 30 Sept

Term 4 Mon 17 Oct to Wed 14 Dec

School is closed on the following Term 1 days

- Mon 31 Jan - Nelson Anniversary Day

- Mon 7 Feb – Waitangi day (observance)

- Fri 15 April – Easter Friday

REMINDER School closes at

12 noon

on the last day of school for
2021. Tuesday 14 December.

2022 SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

The School Office will be open
before the start of Term 1 2022
from

Wednesday 26 January, 8.30am to
3.30pm

2022 OPEN MORNING AND SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

All classrooms will be open on Tuesday 1st February from 9.00am to 11.00am for families to pop in and meet the teacher. You may also drop off your child's 2022 stationery at the same time if you wish.

For our families' convenience, FOHS (Friends of Henley School) are running a second hand uniform sale at this time.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

As we come to the end of 2021, many of us are looking forward to a break, as we breathe a sigh of relief and enjoy some time with our family and friends.

I must take a moment to acknowledge the immense workload of John, Natalie and Leeanne as they have navigated the way through the overload of COVID information to enable our children, staff, and whanau to stay as safe as possible as they spend time in our school environment. Also, the amazing teachers and support staff who have hit the ground running at every challenge thrown their way. After lockdowns, you are appreciated even more!

This year we were reminded again of the value of being able to send our children off to school, to engage with their teachers, peers and embrace their learning together.

So, stay safe, enjoy your break, eat well, rest well, celebrate and embrace the end of one year and the beginning of another.

Merry Christmas to you all.

Kia Kaha,

Kirstie Van Houtte

Board of Trustee Chairperson



Mrs Miller would like to say a big **'THANK YOU'** to all the 2021 Road Patrollers. You have been awesome and have done an outstanding job. Well done.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Information regarding the uniform is available on the school's website at

www.henley.school.nz

REMINDER – the blue school tops are compulsory in 2022 for ALL Junior, Middle and Senior Syndicate students.

Dot Nieman Leisurewear (34 Forests Road, Stoke - phone 547 6318) is the supplier of the Henley School uniform. The shop will close for Christmas at 11.30am on Thursday 23 December and will reopen on Monday 10 January 2022 for the normal hours of 8.00am to 4.30pm.



Thank you to this year's wonderful Peer Mediators. I have enjoyed working alongside you this year and thank you so much for all your hard work out in the playground making sure children's problems are listened to and worked through with your guidance. Have a great Christmas break and good luck with next year.

You have all been amazing Peer Patrollers for 2021!

Miss Chippendale - Peer Mediator Coordinator.



2022 SCHOOL STATIONERY

OfficeMax is the school's stationery supplier and provides good quality, reasonably priced stationery. Stationery can be obtained by one of two methods as described below;

1. Orders can be placed online by going to the OfficeMax myschool website at <https://www.myschool.co.nz/> Alternatively, there are links to this on the school's website at www.henley.school.nz both on the 'Quick Links' list on the home page and in the Stationery section under the School Information heading.

Once in the website choose the list that your child will require. The list contains the items listed below however you may remove items you already have or add additional items you may want to purchase. Once you have finalised your order and made payment the stationery will be couriered to you. To ensure that your stationery arrives before school starts you should place your order by approximately 18th January 2022.

OfficeMax are offering for the first time, a laybuy option for purchasing your child's stationery so you can order your stationery online and pay for it over six weeks, interest free.

2. If you are not able to place your order online you can phone OfficeMax at 0800 724 440 to order your stationery however you will require a credit card to be able to order this way.

OfficeMax supports the school with a small financial rebate based on the value of purchases made through them by Henley School families.

Alternatively, you may use the stationery list to purchase your child's stationery elsewhere, however, please be aware that the quality of items such as pencils may not be as good, so, over the year you may end up spending more.

Copies of the stationery lists will be posted at the end of the 2021 school year on the office doors and on the school's website on the Stationery page.

The school expects that students will all have their stationery with them on the first day of school (Thursday 3rd February 2022) ready to commence work. If possible, we encourage you to visit your child's class on Tuesday 1st February between 9am and 11am and drop their stationery off at this time.

The school office does not sell beginning of year stationery but will continue to sell 'top up' stationery throughout the rest of the year.

Thank you.