



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, Jana, Finn, Carolyn, Donna and Sabine



Term 1 Events

Life Education Classroom visits - *9th - 19th February*

Meet the Syndicate Evening – *Tuesday 16th February 6pm*

Junior Picnic with Harold – *19th February 12:15-1pm*

School Swimming Sports at Nayland Pool - *4th March*

Parent/Teacher Conferences – *Tuesday 9th March*

Good Friday – *Friday 2nd April*

Easter Monday and Tuesday – *5th and 6th April*

Last day of Term 1 – *Friday 16th 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 encourage 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 also 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. This allows them to be returned quickly to your child. 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 is available for purchase from the school office for \$5.50. Books need to be returned weekly (but may be re-issued).

Weekly Timetable:

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| Monday | Fantail Room, Room 19 |
| Tuesday | Room 16 |
| Wednesday | Room 1 and Room 17 |
| Thursday | Room 2, Room 6 |
| Friday | Room 5, 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.



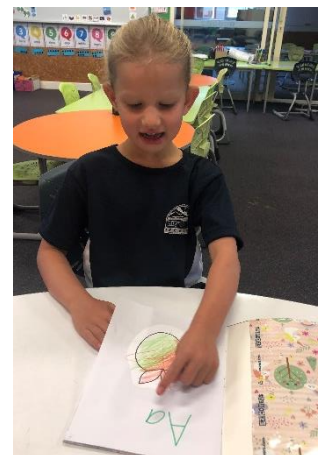


WHAT WE ARE STUDYING THIS TERM

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| Henley Values | Respect, Diversity, Community and Participation |
| 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, Statistics, Fractions |
| Physical Education | Swimming, Small Ball Throwing and Catching Skills |
| Science | Hands-On Experiments |
| Art | Portraits-Painting with Colour mixing |
| Music | Singing/Waiata/ Percussion instruments- Tone Colour, Tempo, Dynamics |
| Te Reo | Greetings, Farewells, Commands, Colours, Feelings Manaakitanga-Caring |
| Social Science | Treaty of Waitangi linked to Class Treaty |
| Health | Zones of Regulation and Sunsmart |
| Learning Technologies | Digital Safety |

HOMework

Reading is the focus for all Junior children, and it is important that your child does this daily with an adult. Children will all have a reader 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 Busuttill Room 2



Mel Beattie Room 1



Finn Deeley Room 16



Carolyn Wright Room 17



Donna Elkington Room 18



Sabine Reinert Room 19



Jana Maguire Fantail Room



Natalie Doty - Deputy Principal

Mrs Doty is our lovely Deputy Principal who oversees the Juniors. Natalie welcomes new children into the Junior Syndicate. She liaises with the local Early Childhood Education centres and parents, as their children transition to school. She is available to meet with parents of Junior children by appointment. Please communicate with your child's classroom teacher in the first instance.

