



TERM 2 2022 MIDDLE SYNDICATE NEWSLETTER

Kia ora whanau!

It's great to be back with your children after the holiday break and to welcome our new students and families to our school and syndicate. We have had a fun start to Term 2 with our daily swimming lessons at the Aquatic Centre and have appreciated the many parent helpers who walk with us.

All classes are observing good hygiene practices as we look forward to a more settled term with a range of exciting learning experiences ahead.

Our curriculum focus for the term is Technology. Classes will also be busy creating pieces of art that will be available to order online in Term 3 as calendars, cards, sketch pads and diaries. These make wonderful Christmas gifts, while also supporting teachers to use the profit to purchase games and equipment for their class.

Keep in touch, we try to be readily available to answer any questions you may have. Please remember we are here to help, and if you have any questions or concerns you can call the office to make an appointment with the classroom teacher

Nga mihi,

(Kind regards)

Sam, Andrea, Pauline, Carolyn, Reshly, Kere, Donna and Leeanne

Footwear Reminder

Wearing appropriate footwear to school is important to ensure your child is comfortable when participating in Physical Education and training for our up-coming cross-country.



Winter Uniform - As the days become cooler, the children will be wearing their Henley School fleeces and beanies for warmth. Please ensure these are clearly named so they can be returned to their owners if found.



Reading Books



We promote respect and care of books at Henley School and remind parents that children will be given reading books to take home if they have a reading bag to protect our books. With the cost of books increasing to over \$10 per book, and a limited reading budget, it is important we work together to ensure our children have the resources they need. If your child requires a book bag, they are available for purchase from the school office.

Teacher Aides

We are lucky to have a dedicated team of Teacher Aides in our syndicate who support us and our tamariki with their learning. They often go above and beyond!

Thank
♡ You!



Kim Christie sharing her homemade Anzac biscuits.

CLASSROOM LEARNING THIS TERM

Henley Values

Oral Language

Written Language

Reading

Mathematics

Physical Education

The Arts

Technology

Te Reo

Social Science

Key Competencies

Ngakau tapatahi- Fairness

Explorative and Informational talk

Recounting events, Persuasive, and letter writing

Visualising and Making Connections

Number knowledge- multiplication and division.
Geometry- shape, position, and orientation

Swim Magic, cross-country, winter sports

Printmaking and Calendar Art

Physical Technology Week 2-6 Designing and
Making a Game

Digital Technology Week 7-10

Greetings, Numbers, Pepeha

Matariki celebration

Managing Self and Relating to Others

Term Focus: Technology

This term we are challenging the children to design and construct a game that:

1. Can be played by two or more players
2. Is competitive-has a winner
3. Is age appropriate
4. Has clear playing instructions
5. Is durable
6. Is cheap to make

Children will be given an opportunity to bring to school their favourite game to share with their class. Together, they will analyse the specific features and attributes of their game before they begin planning their own. Class teachers may require cardboard, boxes, and other materials for use with this topic.



Swim Magic - This programme provided the chance for our children to progress at their own pace while working in small groups with qualified instructors. Not only were they learning an essential life skill, but they had fun while doing so.



Thank you parent helpers!

Science Experiments



Dates for your Diary

- Wednesday & Thursday 18/19 May - Class Photos
- Friday 20 May - Pink Shirt Muffi Day
- Wednesday 1 June - School Cross Country
- Friday 3 June - Teacher Only Day- school closed
- Monday 6 June - Queen's Birthday- school closed
- Thursday 9 June - St. John Muffi Day
- Friday 24 June - Matariki Holiday- school closed
- Friday 1 July - Reports emailed home
- Wednesday 6 July - Parent-Teacher Interviews



Art in the Middle Syndicate