

24th February 2024

HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING DATES

21st Feb - 5th March: Yr3-6 swimming
Mondays @ 9am: Tū Maia Hui & 12pm Pacifika
Wednesdays @ 9am & 10am: E Tū Taurira
Thursdays 3pm: Creative Matters Art Class
7th February @ 6.30: PAG Meeting
28th February: Norwest Tag Yr 7&8
1st March: Kahui ako o Kaipara Wānanga
6th - 8th March: Bike Ready Yr 5&6.
7th, 14th, 21st, 28th March: Tech Rooms 10,11,12
8th, 15th, 22nd March, 2nd April: Tech Rooms 14,15
11th - 16th March: St Johns in School
29th March: Good Friday (school closed)

See more on the [website calendar](#)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora, talofa lava and warm greetings to you all.

The great start to our school year has continued, and already we are almost approaching the midway mark for the term. I had the privilege of attending a conference this week as part of my leadership professional development. This leadership programme involved visiting Paihia (Treaty of Waitangi grounds), Opononi Area School where we experienced an amazing whakatau put on by the staff and students, and also spending time at Manea - Footprints of

Kupe (Cultural Encounter) where we were fully immersed in the story of Kupe. This was my first time up in Paihia and it was a hugely emotional and inspirational experience, not only for me but for everyone who attended.

‘O le ala i le pule o le tautua’

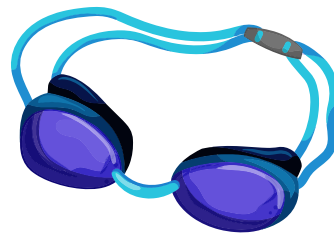
The pathway to leadership is through service
(Samoan Proverb)

There were many great takeaways from this conference that I will be wanting to integrate into our school’s teaching and learning programs, and I will be discussing these points with the senior leadership team. Also, with reference to the Samoan proverb above, these new learnings will ultimately support me in servicing the school community better as principal.

School swimming sessions being held down at Paraki Springs pools have been going well, aided of course by the great weather of late. The importance of children knowing how to swim, or at least having basic water safety skills can not be emphasised enough. On behalf of the school we would like to say a massive thank you to Cara and Ali from the swim school for organising and supporting this, to all the instructors there for their time and patience, and also to We Care Community Trust Ltd for providing the funding for the buses so that this learning opportunity was possible for our tamariki.

Take care, stay safe and have a great weekend everyone.

Richard Bennett
(Principal)



Students benefit from having goggles for all their lessons. These can be purchased at the pools for \$17



Swimming continues now with Miro and Rata. The children are all involved in swimming skills and water safety.

The staff have worked super hard to ensure all our tamariki are safe and get the most out of the lessons provided, going above and beyond. Thank you everyone!!



Matua Glen Savage is off on Study Leave to further pursue his Reo journey. We congratulate Glen on being awarded this prestigious award and wish him well. We will be seeing him around the school as he continues to support our tamariki with cultural capabilities.

Ka kite ano Glen Arohanui



Congratulations Rose Cinjee on your upcoming nuptials!! We wish you all the best on your wedding day. We hope it is as memorable and awesome as you hope and have planned.

All love best Rose Arohanui



Raine Terry leaves us on maternity leave next week. Thanks for all you have done for us. We wish you and Robert all the best with your upcoming arrival. We hope to meet your new addition soon.

Arohanui Raine



Our Enviro Group have been hard at work this week as we finally began to lay our Friendship path at the front of the school. Last year each child painted a rock to be laid on the path. Aren't they doing an amazing job with it?

It is going to take a lot more concrete than we thought, so if anyone happens to have a bag or two of quick set concrete at home or would like to donate a bag, we would be eternally grateful.



CONGRATULATIONS

these students have been awarded values vouchers
for ALL our Values.

Elise Powell

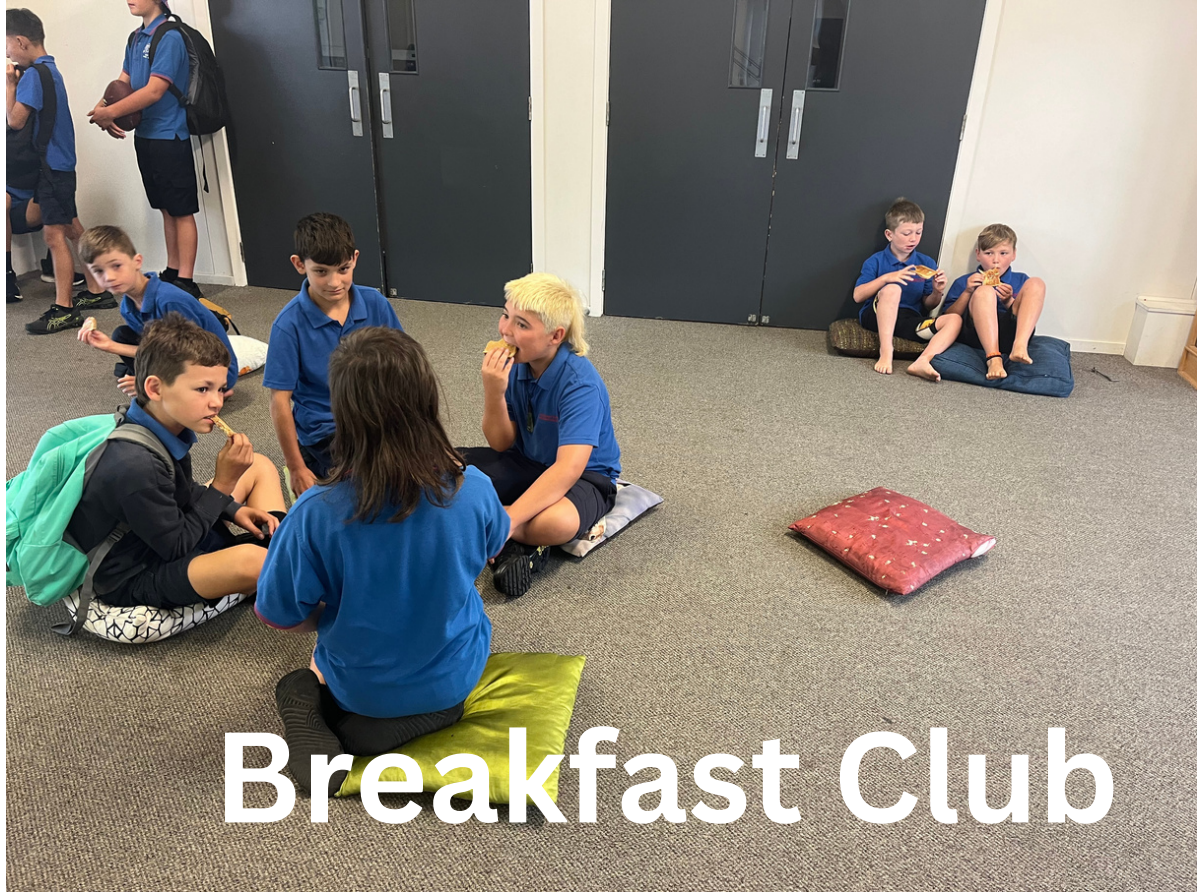
Elmi Klooper

Nienke Vorster

Elaine Wihongi Johnson

They will be having a reward with the SMT soon!!





Breakfast Club

Thanks to the wonderful helpers we have for our Breakfast Club that runs every morning.

Suzanne Harris

Tamara Chamberlain

Patrice Philp

Nicki Bojsen Moller

Letita Bateman

Justene King

Claudine Brazendale

Sarah Jaques

We would also like to thank Kick Start, South Kaipara Good Food for their donations of food and to the parents who are providing Milo.

Any further support for our Breakfast Club would be greatly appreciated

Nau mai haere mai tamariki

Welcome to our new students

Leith Rushton. Areia Tarawa- Tehaar
Ryan Kumar. Abigail Bateman
Aezon Lee Renetana Ropata

Whānau Fun Night Tuesday 5th March - 5 - 7pm



\$6 Beef Nachos



\$6 Vege Nachos



\$2 Drinks, Juicies



\$3 Sausages



\$5 Bacon Butties

GF, DF Nachos available

Cash and Eftpos available (no paywave/credit)

Or B.Y.O. Picnic.

Come and play some games
Meet the teachers & HPS whānau

Bring a picnic blanket and shade



PATHS

ANNOUNCEMENT

We had an amazing turn out for our PATHS AGM on Tuesday evening 24 committee, as we farewelled our 2023 committee and elected our 2024 committee.

We sadly farewell Chrissie Wood, Leigh Harland and Andy Calder as they have stepped down from the committee. Leigh and Andy will now be on our FOOTs team instead and don't worry Chrissie has said that she is still available for Quiz Nights!!

We thank Chrissie, Andy and Leigh for all of their time and dedication they have given over the years.



Our 2024 Committee:

Co-Chair: Hillary Steedman and Sophie Gear

Secretary: Deanne Hattaway

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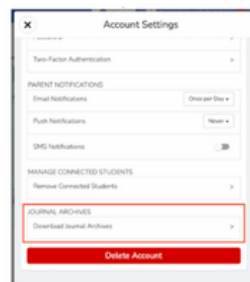
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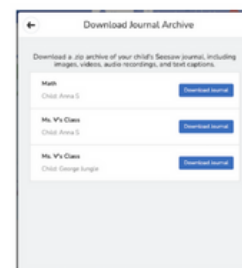
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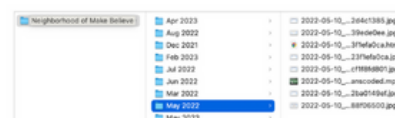
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Come and join us for the 2024 Kaipara Netball GIVE IT A GO DAY!
Sunday 10 March, 9am - 12pm.

If your child is in Years 1-8 and has been wanting to give netball a go, come along for a fun morning of practical games and activities. We are excited to welcome two NORTHERN MYSTICS players for the morning who will be helping to host the session!

Please register your child here
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/285421>
and they can join us for a free sausage sizzle after the session.

Follow us on Facebook - Kaipara Netball Centre





**NORWEST
HOCKEY**



REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THE WINTER SEASON!

Junior grade Hockey, School Years 3-8

To Register Contact

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Visit skgf.org.nz to register
(or pop into our hub at 10 Awaroa Rd)





WIN A VOUCHER!



Order **eZlunch** for delivery dates
12 – 23 February to enter the draw!

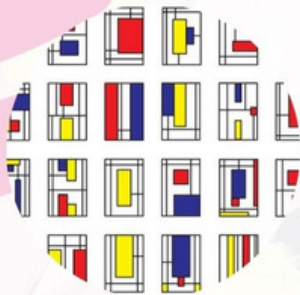
Every order goes in the draw for a chance to win. Three chances per order. Winners will be drawn on Friday 23 February 2024 and will be notified by phone or email. No correspondence will be entered into.

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