

22nd September 2023

HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING DATES

9th October: First day of Term 4
Whakatau @ 10.30am
10th October: Rata Trip to Stardome
16th October: Miro Trip to Auckland Museum
20th October: AG Day
23rd October: Labour Day (School Closed)
28th October: Whānau Fun Fair
3rd November: Gumboot Friday

See more on the [website calendar](#)



Our Enviro Group visited the Helensville Recycle Centre today to collect resources for upcoming projects

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Talofa lava, kia ora and warm greetings Helensville Primary School whānau.

This newsletter marks the completion of my first year as principal of Helensville Primary School. Throughout my tenure I have been faced with many challenges and at times difficult decisions, but nevertheless I have thoroughly enjoyed coming to school every day and serving our Helensville Primary School community.

‘E tutaki ana ngā kapua o te rangi, kei runga te Mangōroa e kōpae pū ana’
The clouds in the sky gather, but above them extends the milky way

This whakatauki speaks to the notion that no matter how gloomy the outlook, there is always something favourable to be found in the background. This proverb caught my eye, and is a great summation of my journey so far.

I would like to take a moment to acknowledge those in our school community, staff and whānau, who have lost loved ones recently. On behalf of the school I would like to extend our deepest sympathies to you all and to your families as you navigate these difficult times. Our doors will always be open to offer any support that you might need.

We have had a very busy and eventful Term 3. There have been so many highlights and opportunities for us to celebrate as a school - AIMS Games, Junior and Senior Cross Country Events, Speech Competitions, the Kelifest Cultural Event and School Trips for some syndicates. The organisation, planning and support for these events has been amazing, and is a true reflection of the spirit of giving that our community has.

Some of the current property work around the school is in its final stages and on track to be completed before the start of Term 4. There are a few other projects that will be started soon, but hopefully they won't be as disruptive and will be completed quickly (fingers crossed). It has been great to see our students finally be able to get out and play on our fields again. While on duty this week I could feel a more positive mood in the school, and one could almost say that there was a summer feel in the air; bring on the good weather!

Take care, stay safe and have a relaxing term break with your family and loved ones.

Richard Bennett
(Principal)

2023 AIMS GAMES

From September 2nd to September 8th, 57 of our Year 7 & 8 students represented Helensville Primary at the 2023 AIMS Games in Tauranga. There were 373 schools and over 11,700 athletes taking part in the games, making them bigger than the Commonwealth Games. While many of our athletes smashed their personal goals, demonstrated exceptional perseverance and sportsmanship, there were several stand-out results over the week.



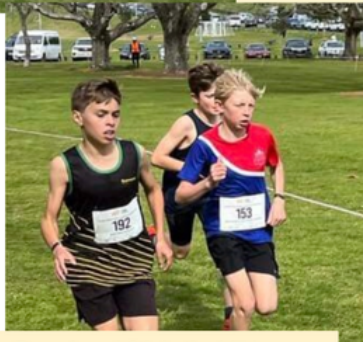
Our 2023 HPS AIMS Team



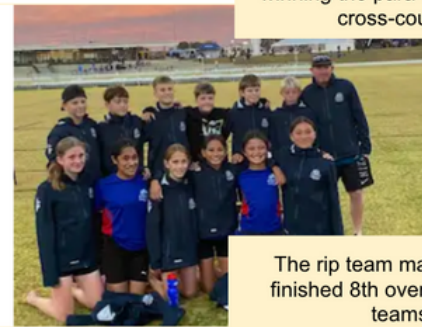
Tilly with her gold medal after winning the para-athletes girl's cross-country.



Ari came 4th in the Y7 Girl's Enduro Mountain Biking.



Ben placed 9th in the Y7 boys cross-country and achieved Helensville's fastest time ever.



The rip team made the final finished 8th overall out of 50 teams.



CONGRATULATIONS

House winner for T3 Wk 9



Values Winners	Awarded for	
Kōwhai tahi - Cooper Rogers	Whakautē / Respect	
Kōwhai whā - Marnie Karaitiana	Kairangi / Excellence	
Mahitahi - Leo Adlam	Kotahitanga / Citizenship	
Rm 12 Jack Hepper	Kotahitanga / Citizenship	Whakautē / Respect
Rm 16 Matthew Shinton	Kairangi / Excellence	
Rm 19 Marley Gear	Kotahitanga / Citizenship	

House winner for T3 Wk 10



Values Winners	Awarded for	
Kōwhai rua - Thanudi Balasuriya	Whakautē / Respect	Kotahitanga / Citizenship
Rm 1 Fletcher Bateman	Kotahitanga / Citizenship	
Rm 1 Harry Coles	Kotahitanga / Citizenship	
Rm 2 Mason Orr	Kairangi / Excellence	
Rm 8 Izzy Godsell	Hihiri / Resilience	Maia / Assertiveness
Rm 16 Noah Blanchette	Whakautē / Respect	

Rimu Speech Finals



- 1st - Yusif Rashedi
- 2nd - Lewis Williams
- 3rd - William Flowers

Also our congratulations go to Yusif for coming 2nd in the North-West Speech Finals yesterday. An amazing achievement.

Auckland Cross Country Team

<u>Auckland Cross Country Results</u>	
Year 7 Girls	
Eden Asiata-Wea	45th
Emily Barry	66th
Charli Stokes	67th
Year 7 Boys	
Benjamin Collinge-Coker	3rd
Year 8 Girls	
Marley Seakens	67
Lakhenzie Sinisa	Injury
Year 8 Boys	
George Brown	41th
Year 8 Boys North West team - 2nd overall	

Eight of our top Year 7 & 8 cross country runners qualified for the Auckland Cross Country Championships at Pukekohe. With over 100 of the top cross country runners from across Auckland in each race the times were quick and the competition fierce. Ben Collinge-Coker came 3rd in the Year 7 Boys race. This is the first time a Helensville Primary student has made the podium at this prestigious event! The school is very proud of all our runners.



Whānau Fun Fair 28th October 2023



Only 5 weeks to go until our annual event is here. This week you will have received your raffle tickets and you can collect more tickets from the office if you need them. Below are details of the fabulous prizes donated by our very generous sponsors. We also have the silent Auction which will go live on our Facebook Page and the Quick Fire Raffle. Don't miss out.

Helensville Primary School Whānau Fun Fair Raffle

Please take this booklet of 10 raffle tickets and sell to family and friends. All tickets are \$5 and go in the draw to win one of these MEGA prizes.

Ticket stub to be returned to the office by 23rd October. More booklets available at the office

Draw 1: Donated by Helensville Glass, FIGG Giftshop, Nido Insurance, Tricky Tree Removal, Earthwood Ltd, Superb Herb.	Apple iPad 9th Generation
Draw 1: North Harbour Ford & Mauda	Ford Mustang, Ranger, or Everest for the weekend
Draw 1: Parakai Springs	1 x Annual Family Pass
Draw 1: Matakana Mega Family Pack	Action Ninja World, Sculptureum, Sheep World, Smiths Matakana
Draw 1: Hello Fresh	4 Week Meal Voucher
Draw 2: Donated by Sharon Kenney Barfoot & Thompson	6 to be won. \$275 Annual Zoo Pass 2A + 4 C
Draw 2: Helensville Mechanical Services	Full Mechanical Service
Draw 2: Paslode NZ	Puffer Vest + AS Colour Duffel Bag
Draw 2: Creative Matters Art Programme	1 x term Child Art Classes
Draw 2: Breville NZ	Air Fryer Chef
Draw 2: Kaipara Coast Gymnastics	1 x Term of Gymnastics
Draw 2: Hillcrest Promotions Ltd	4 x Promo Prize pack to be won.
Draw 2: Oma Rapatei Early Learning Centre Huapai	Celebration Box + \$100 EB Games Voucher
Draw 2: West Coast Surf and Street	Mega Surfpack Promo Pack
Draw 2: Kaipara Coast Leans to Swim	1 x Term of Swimming Lessons
Draw 2: Helensville Dental Centre	\$150 Voucher for Examination & X rays
Draw 3: Auckland Adventure Park	1 x Ultimate Pass voucher
Draw 3: Butcher Baker Helensville	\$50 Dining Voucher
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Draw 3: Norwest Shopping Centre Westgate	\$50 Voucher
Draw 3: Saddlery Warehouse Kumeu	Gift Bucket Horse Riding Supplies
Draw 3: Stardome Observatory	1 x Family Pass
Draw 3: The Riverhead Tavern	\$50 Dining Voucher
Draw 3: Kioi Valley Farm Park	1 x Family pass
Draw 3: Fippin Fun Trampoline Park	4 x Entry Passes
Draw 3: Maritime Museum Auckland	1 x Family Pass, Museum & Ted Ashby Family Sailing Pass
Draw 3: RPM Disc Golf	RPM Discs - 3 x disc starter pack.
Draw 3: Burnings Silverdale	RPM Discs - 3 x disc Adult pack.
Draw 3: Eleventh Hour	Camping Hamper
Draw 3: Helensville Honey	Gift Box
Draw 3: Huski NZ	Beeswax Candles and Wraps
Draw 3: Tasti Products	2 x Short Tumblers
Draw 3: The Lucky Taco	Gift Box Tasti Souks
Draw 3: Morepark Kumeu	Lucky Taco Kit, Sauces and AF Drinks
Draw 3: Woodhill Tree Adventures	Morepark Meat Rubs & Spices
Draw 3: Nutrient Rescue	1 x Double Pass
Draw 3: Parakai Springs	Nutrient Rescue Get Started Pack
Draw 3: Boulder Co. Westgate	1 x Family Pass
Draw 3: Eleventh Hour	\$100 voucher
Draw 3: FIGG Gift Shop Helensville	\$100 Voucher
Draw 3: Hillcrest Promotions Ltd	Backyard Skittles Game
Draw 3: Donated by Liquid Stone Henderson	\$100 Mine 10 Voucher
Draw 3: Donated by LMC Mowing	\$100 Event Cinema Voucher
Draw 3: Parakai Four Square	Gift Basket
Draw 3: Shine On	\$100 Shine On Voucher.
Draw 3: Trilogi NZ	Trilogi Skincare Pack
Draw 3: Class Donation Grocery Hamper	25 x Grocery Hampers to be Won

THANK YOU to everyone that has DONATED, you are AMAZING.

Check out Facebook for **Silent Auctions & Quick Fire Raffles on the Day!**

Helensville Primary School WHĀNAU FUN FAIR

**SATURDAY 28TH OCTOBER
10AM - 2PM**

QUICK FIRE RAFFLES - Find us on stage

Check out the Quick Fire Board on the day to see what time they are firing!



HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Whānau Fun Fair SILENT AUCTION 2023

• SATURDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2023
• 10 - 2PM
• HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

PRIZES TO BID ON

- Renewed local artist Jeff Thomson art work
- Belinda Coles - \$695 Family photo shoot
- Winter Gardenz - \$2,635 (2m x 2m) Greenhouse
- Dana Keates Beauty & Cosmetic Tattoo - \$700 Voucher Powder Brows
- Hillcrest Promotions Ltd - \$500 Company Merchandise Package
- Blush Photography - \$650 Branding Photography Session for small businesses OR a Family Photography Session
- Premier Asthetics - \$400 voucher
- Mega Golf Auction worth \$1200.00
 - Muriwai Golf Club - \$500 4x round of golf + 2 carts
 - Helensville Golf Club - \$340 2 x round of golf for 2 players + golf cart
 - Huapai Golf Club - \$180 2 x People 18 rounds of golf
 - South Head Golf Club 1 x round Golf 4 People \$180.00

HOW TO BID

Go to this Facebook page:
Helensville Primary School Whānau Fun Day Silent Auction 2023

- Comment on the relevant photo(s) with your auction bid amount.
- Online Bids close 7pm, Friday October 27th 2023.
- Highest Bid for each Auction online will be transferred to Silent Auction Sheets hardcopy Friday 7pm.
- Hardcopy bidding sheets will be displayed outside the School Hall at Whānau Fun Fair. Bidding closes at 12pm, 28th October 2023.
- Winners announced at 12.30pm on the stage on the top field.

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