

24th March 2023

# HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## UPCOMING DATES

**27th March-6th April:** Swimming - Yr3-6  
**27th March:** Kaipara Summer Sports- Y7/8  
**28th March:** Kaipara Summer Sports save day  
**@6.30pm:** PAC Meeting  
**3rd April:** Y7/8 Immunisations  
**4th April @6pm:** PATHS Meeting  
**5th April:** NW Tennis -Y7/8  
**5pm:** Parent Fono in staffroom for Pasifika families  
**@ 6pm:** Positive Puberty Parent Meeting Y5-8  
**6th April:** Last day of term  
**24th April:** Teacher Only Day  
**25th April:** ANZAC Day  
**26th April:** First day of Term 2 and Whakatau

See more on the [website calendar](#)



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora, talofa lava and warm greetings Helensville Primary School community.

It has been so good to see our students and school participating in a range of activities out in our community recently.

Swimming started last week, with our students heading down to Parakai Pools for sessions with the amazing instructors there. This can be very challenging for our school, teachers and Parakai Pools to organise, especially regarding the logistics around this. So having said this, I would like to say a massive kia ora to everyone for their efforts here to ensure that our tamariki don't miss out on this important learning opportunity. I can not emphasise the importance of these water safety lessons enough, so we are very fortunate to be able to tap into this great community resource.

On Monday, our Year 5 & 6 students participated in our sports cluster tabloid summer sports day, which involved all the schools in our community. Upon their return, we could see they had heaps of fun, and were buzzing from the experience. A big thank you to our teachers and staff who supported the running of the day. Next week our Year 7 & 8 students will have their turn, and I am sure that they will represent the school well, and as always uphold our school values while they are there. Good luck and have fun!

A few weeks back, our school had the privilege of hosting our first Kahui Ako Kapa Haka Waananga, led by Matua Hone Tobin (Massey High School) and organised by Ben Bradley (Kaukapakapa School). This day was absolutely beautiful, with all our schools coming together and strengthening our bonds by learning Waiata and Kapa Haka special to our rohe. Everyone in attendance found it hugely enjoyable, and mentioned that they can not wait for the next one.

Lastly, the Pasifika team at school are looking forward to hosting our first Pasifika Parents Fono in a long time. This will happen in the last week of this term - Wednesday 5th April 5:00pm to 6:00pm in the Staffroom. Thank you to those parents who have replied already, if you haven't then please come along and help celebrate our journey together.

Take care and have a great weekend everyone.

**Richard Bennett**  
**(Principal)**

## **WELCOME TO OUR NEW STARTERS...**

Quade Mulligan in Kōwhai Āwhina Toru and Boston Brown in Room 2



### **GIANT BUBBLE MIX RECIPE** (as seen on Whānau Fun Night)

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- **WATER** – 1.5 litre / 6 cups
- **DETERGENT** – 125mls / ½ cup (The brand can make or break the recipe. UK Fairy Liquid is best, but the most readily available next best is Palmolive Original Dishwashing Liquid.)
- **GUAR GUM POWDER** - 1/2 slightly heaping teaspoon (this is a natural food thickener and can be found at health food stores / bulk bin shops and some Pak n Saves)
- **BAKING POWDER** – 1 tbsp.
- **GLYCERINE** – 1 tbsp

#### **METHOD:**

1. Mix all the ingredients together in a bucket / large bowl.
2. Rest the mixture for at least 24 hours (optional but recommended). Occasional stirring during the rest period can help make sure all ingredients dissolve together.

Photography by Mrs C (Room 1)



After a disruptive few years, our year 5's and 6's were finally able to enjoy the return of Summer Sports Day. This day was a celebration of our Kaipara school's sporting community where students were able to play a variety of summer sports in mixed school teams which we had learnt and played in our Physical Education lessons. The sports included T-Ball, Kickball, Scatterball, 3 Bats, Longball and Non-stop Cricket.

The weather was great throughout the day and we were really proud of our students, who showed and upheld the school values to the highest of standards, actively participated and just enjoyed the whole day. It was also great to see our parents turn out for support and this was deeply appreciated. Overall the return of this longly awaited Summer Sports Day was a fantastic hit which was enjoyed and celebrated by everyone involved.



# CONGRATULATIONS

## House winner for T1 Wk 7

Values Winners	Awarded for	
M.T Milhan Mataio-Ropati	Kairangi / Excellence	
Rm 1 Elaine Huang	Kairangi / Excellence	Whakaute / Respect
Rm 12 Lakhenzie Sinisa	All Values	
Rm 18 Antonio Radich	Kairangi / Excellence	
Rm 19 Imeta Smith	Whakaute / Respect	Kotahitanga / Citizenship
Rm 20 Jiya Kumar	Whakaute / Respect	

Congratulations to those below for working so hard at Mathletics and achieving a GOLD AWARD

**Benjamin Shinton  
and  
Lloyd Brown**

**Mathletics**

## House winner for T1 Wk 8

Values Winners	Awarded for	
Rm 1 Sadie Pengelly	All 6 values	
Kōwhai Tahī -Ollie Blair	Kairangi / Excellence	
Rm 3 Seth Norman	Kairangi / Excellence	Whakaute / Respect
Rm 18 Keenai Sinisa	Whakaute / Respect	
M.T Ari Brenchley	Kotahitanga / Citizenship	
M.T Max Cook	Kairangi / Excellence	



**Stay up to date with what is happening both at school and within our community...**

"Bring some money to school next Wednesday to support the Rata Bake Sale and get something delicious for morning tea! Baked goods will be priced at \$2 and \$3 - all money raised will support our Garden to Table projects."

Thank you from Rata!

Wednesday  
the 29th  
march  
cost 2-3\$  
each

# HUGE SALE

Rata Team are holding a bake sale to raise money to get us started on our Garden To Table project.

**Rata bake sale**  
we are using Garden to table healthy recipes to make yummy cakes for you to buy

*Thank you!* HONEY CAKES  
FEIJOA CAKES  
CARROT CAKE MUFFINS  
APPLE AND CINNAMON MUFFINS  
BEETROOT AND CHOCLATE MINI CAKES

Poster designed by students in Room 4

# Active Challenge

Monday 27th - Friday 31st March

Walk, bike, scooter to school. You can even park a road over and walk to help lower the number of cars at our school gates. Then collect a leaf from our student leaders to enter the daily draw.



Daily Prize Winners



Spot Prizes

# NETBALL 2023

Is your child interested in playing netball next term? Registrations close on

**Monday 27th March**

Registration forms and more information can be found at the office



order online, delivered fresh to school  
**ezlunch.co.nz**

In the last week of term lunches will be available on Thursday 6th April as we are closed on the Friday.

**Jasmines for Sale**  
Proceed go to our Garden to Table Programme  
**\$10 each**



Contact the office

# Sports Shirts



Available to buy from the school office for \$50 each in sizes: 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 & S



**WELL WOMEN & FAMILY**

Te Ha Oranga—Helensville  
24th April 9am-3.30pm  
Book Online or call below

## Women's Health Check

Women's Health & Contraception Services.

Well Women & Family are here for you, working in the community to engage with women of all cultures and ethnicities.

Our services include:

- FREE or low cost cervical screening
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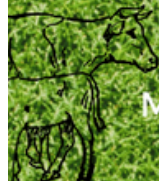
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**Physical Address:**  
Unit 14 / 49 Sainsbury Road  
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# South Kaipara Schools Group Day AGM

Monday 1st May May, 7.30pm  
at Waitoki School  
Everyone welcome!





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