



The Hay Park Spark

Tuesday 5th August 2025



Kia ora – Kia orana – Malo ni – Malo e lelei – Talofa lava –
Namaste – Xin chao – Fakaalofa lahi atu – Hwan young hap ni
da sindhi – Nī hāo – Bula vinaka – Salaam – Hello

Dear Parents and Carers

Kia orana! This week we welcome Henry and his family to our Hay Park School whānau.

We have some staff changes this term. Recently we farewelled Ashleigh, our lovely SWiS (Social Worker in School), who is moving overseas. We thank Ashleigh for her enthusiasm, being a great listener, a hard worker and committed to our tamariki accessing all the support available to them. We are fortunate to have Sachie starting with us later this term. Like Ashleigh, Sachie likes to be involved in the school. Sadly Mrs Bleckmann has also left. We thank her for all her care, commitment and contribution to our school, our tamariki and our whānau. We are lucky to welcome back Mrs Rakhee Ghadiali (Mrs G). Mrs G will be working Fridays, alternating between taking junior drama and working in Room 1.

Below is a summary of our mid year achievement data. It is a collation of the individual information you got about your children's progress in their mid year reports. Children who are At have already reached the end of year expected level and those Above have exceeded the expectation. Children who are Below, are on track to be at or above the expected level by the end of the year. Some of our children who are well below at this stage will meet expected levels by the end of the year. So far this year our Māori and Pasifika girls are progressing well. We have 75% of Māori girls achieving at or above expectation in reading, 62.5% in writing and 50% in maths. We have 44.5% of Pasifika girls achieving at or above expectation in reading, 66.5% in writing and 70.5% in maths.

All Students Mid 2025	Well Below	Below	At	Above
Reading	13%	24%	56%	7%
Writing	14%	29%	54%	3%
Maths	5%	26%	65%	4%

Nominations for school board elections close on Wednesday 6 August (this Wednesday) at 12pm. We have already received some nominations. If you would like to be considered for our school board, please get your completed nomination form to the office before 12pm on Wednesday.

Like many other areas in the public service, there will be paid union meetings for teachers this term. Current inflation is 2.7%, but teachers, like nurses, have only been offered 3% over three years - 1% per year. It's not enough to meet the current costs of living. Our nearest meeting is on Wednesday 20 August, at 1.30pm. More information will be sent out shortly.

Our school production, The Hidden Sky, is coming up in Week 9 this term. There will be a matinee on 10 September and an evening show on 11 September. We'll let you know when tickets are available. Tickets go very quickly, so please don't leave it until the last minute, as you may be disappointed.

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School Calendar

August 6 School board election nominations close at 12pm
 August 7 Tibbo Class Assembly
 August 8 Tuakana Team SPEC
 August 12 Netball Zones
 August 14 HPW Assembly
 August 15 Teina Team SPEC
 August 18-22 Tongan Language Week
 August 21 Te Aho-White Class Assembly
 August 22 Tuakana Team SPEC
 August 28 HPW Assembly
 August 29 Teina Team SPEC
 September 4 Patmore Class Assembly
 September 10 School Board Elections
 September 19 Staff only day - [School Closed](#)

Report an Absence

3 ways to report an absence:

- Use Skool Loop Parent APP
- Phone: 625 9531 - Press 1
- Email office@haypark.school.nz

If your child is unwell, late or unable to attend school, please inform us by 8.30am on the morning of the absence. You can either phone or text to leave a message 24/7 with your child's name, room number, and reason for absence.



As many of you know, we have Chromebooks for learning in Y4-6. Being part of Ako Hiko, a Manaiaikalani Outreach cluster, enables us to do this. We are supported by Manaiaikalani and ask that you support us to help them. Recently I sent out an email with a Whānau Questionnaire about your child's reading. For those of you with more than one child at our school, please choose one child. We really appreciate you filling out the six questions - five multi-choice and one short answer. Please email me if you would like me to send the link to you again. My email address is shereec@haypark.school.nz

Just a reminder, if you have any questions or concerns, please let us know. The first step is to let your child's teacher know as soon as possible. The sooner we know of a possible issue, the sooner we can follow it up.

We have a Staff Only Day on the last day of term, Friday 19 September. There will be no school for the children that day. All staff will be doing first aid training.

Finally, a huge thank you to all the parents who make sure their children are at school on time. School starts at 8.45am. Children should be at school by 8.30am. This gives them time to prepare themselves for the day and complete their SODA (start of day activities). If children are even five minutes late they can miss out on important information, especially at the start of lessons, and valuable learning. Every parent wants the best for their children. Making sure they are at school on time is an important part of this.

Meitaki ma'ata
Sheree Campbell



CLASS AWARDS

Jackson Class: Bella

For her enthusiasm to learn and read her sight words. You are starting to take responsibility for your learning. Way to go Bella.

Keep up the amazing work you are doing! Ka pai!



Tibbo Class: Mila

For showing great leadership in our new Tibbo Class. You have shown a positive example in class and you are willing to offer help to your peers. You continue to show resilience by having a positive attitude and giving everything a go especially in maths. Ka pai!



Flox Class: Crystal

For always showing the Hay Park Way. You are such a positive and responsible member of Flox Class. I love how you consistently try your best and put so much effort into all your work. Thanks so much for being a wonderful role model! Keep up the great mahi! Kai pai, Crystal.



Te Aho-White Class: Ahmad

For showing resilience and having a positive attitude with your reading. I am so proud of the progress you are making and the way that you help support others in the class. Keep up the great work! Tino Pai!



Binney Class: Falcon

For sharing interesting and entertaining ideas during our discussions about inventions and narrative writing. Your enthusiasm has a positive influence on your peers. Tino Pai!



Patmore Class: Hassan

For being a fantastic role model who always does the right thing, even when no one is watching. He shows our school values every day through his respectful attitude, responsible choices and caring actions. Ka pai, Hassan!



Bailey Class: Samad

You've been putting in an incredible effort during literacy time, showing real dedication and perseverance while reading with me during buddy reading. I've also really enjoyed reading your writing and noticing how much it's improving. Keep up the fantastic work—I'm excited to see how much more you'll achieve this year. Ka Pai!

Punctuality & Attendance



Best Attendance: Room 6

Congratulations to this week's Attendance & Punctuality Champions!

Awesome work, everyone! Let's keep showing up and being on time!



Most Punctual: Room 8

Flox Class

This term in Flox Class we have been learning about our overall hauora (wellbeing). To start the term off we have been learning about our physical wellbeing and how we can fuel our body so that it is healthy and strong. Last week we looked at the different types of food. 'Go, Grow and Glow Foods' and how they help our bodies in different ways.

Go foods to give you energy - bread, crackers, pasta, wraps, sushi, bagels

Grow foods to keep you sustained - cheese, milk, yoghurt, lean meat, nuts

Glow foods to nourish your body - carrot sticks, piece of fresh fruit, handful of frozen berries.

In groups we worked together to sort and categorise different foods.



Volleyball





JACKSON CLASS

My healthy Lunchbox.



Kiyara.P.

My healthy Lunchbox.



Ayaan.

My healthy Lunchbox.



Zhobin



Our healthy lunchboxes



My healthy Lunchbox.



Leqi.

My healthy Lunchbox.



Amber.

My healthy Lunchbox.



Arwa.



Cooking with Miss P

Who doesn't love mac 'n' cheese? Adam, Zamiel and Muhammad made delicious mac 'n' cheese muffins to share with their whānau....Yummo!! Here's the recipe so you can make them at home....enjoy!!



- cooking spray
- ½ cup seasoned dry bread crumbs
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 2 cups uncooked elbow macaroni
- 1 large egg, beaten
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 ½ cups shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1 ½ cups shredded sharp Cheddar cheese
- 1 cup milk



- Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease a muffin pan with cooking spray.
- Stir together bread crumbs, olive oil and salt in a small bowl until well combined; set aside.
- Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Cook pasta in boiling water until tender yet firm to the bite, about 8 minutes. Drain and return pasta to the pot.
- Stir beaten egg and butter into cooked pasta until pasta is evenly coated. Stir in mozzarella cheese, 1 cup Cheddar cheese and milk until well combined. Spoon mixture into the prepared muffin tin. Sprinkle with remaining 1/2 cup Cheddar cheese. Sprinkle bread crumb mixture over the tops.
- Bake in the preheated oven until the topping is nicely browned, about 30 minutes. Allow mac and cheese cups to set for a few minutes before removing from the pan.

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Binney Class

Kia ora. We had a wonderful trip to the zoo last term. Here's an interesting recount about our trip from Katie.

Zoo Trip Recount

Thursday 21st May



I went to the zoo yesterday. There I saw many animals.

First I saw monkeys. They were hanging on ropes. They are good at climbing trees and they are good at climbing ropes. Then, I don't remember much, but I saw pink flamingos. The flamingos were talking, making sounds. Then I saw giraffes, zebras and rhinos. The giraffes were eating grass from the trees because they had long legs and the zebras were just standing there blankly. The rhinos were grooming themselves.

Then, I saw a spider. The two spiders looked the same, but their back patterns were different. Lastly, I saw various monkeys. The monkeys with the whiskers on its face. It was charming. Another monkey was bigger than a regular monkey and had long hair. They were a couple. Maybe that's why they looked so cute.

Oh! I saw a small and cute meerkat before, but it was even better because I could see it up close. Anyway, yesterday I went to the zoo with my school and learned about many different animals, so it was a very meaningful time.

-by Katie-



TE REO MĀORI KŪKI AIRANI

3-9 August

'Ātui'tui'ia au ki
te raurau a tōku
matakeinanga

Connect me to
the offerings
of my people

Jacob Tuakana-Natua, Jaya Metuatini, Matthais Erika, Apiti Arere,
Lexani Bishop, and Juiei Thompson, photographed at St Lukes PIC
Church Hall, Tokoroa

20 years of celebration
PACIFIC
LANGUAGE
WEEKS



AITUTAKI
ENUA



Ministry for
Pacific Peoples