

20th October 2023

HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING DATES

23rd October: Labour Day (School Closed)
27th October: Kapa Haka visiting Sunny Days
28th October: Whānau Fun Fair
3rd November: Gumboot Friday
7th November: Athletics Day
14th November: Kaipara Athletics Day (Yr 4-8)
17th November: Teacher Only Day - school closed
21st November: NW Athletics Day (Yr 7/8)
24th November: Yr 0-2 Athletics Day

See more on the [website calendar](#)



Congratulations to all those who took part in A.G Day today.
Results and more photos are on page 4.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Nau mai hoki mai, Fakaalofa atu and welcome back to Term 4 Helensville Primary School whānau. Term 4 is a time for us as a school to come together and celebrate the year that we have had. It is a time for us to acknowledge students, staff, and our wider school community for all the hard work that we have put into the year for which we are all grateful for.

He waka eke noa 'A canoe which we are all in with no exception'

This whakatauki explains how 'we are all in this together'. Where is the waka heading (vision/mission)? What is the waka made of (values/principles)? How do we work well together to paddle the waka most effectively (collaboration)? It can be interpreted in many ways, but it encourages us to explore the most effective ways to work together and shows us what is needed to proceed.

This well known whakatauki speaks to how last term, we collected feedback from our parent community around the things that they value. Over the next few newsletters I will be sharing your responses to this survey regarding our strategic planning for the next few years. The responses we received were very powerful, and will help us shape the direction of the school over the next few years.

In this newsletter I will share the main themes from the data we collected to Question 1 "What do you believe are the strengths of Helensville Primary School?" and the 'School Communication Section'. Below is a summary:

For **Question 1**, an overwhelming response was what a strong sense of 'community' our school has. This is something that I agree wholeheartedly with and have experienced this right from the time I started here as principal. Another strong theme present were the many 'opportunities' the school provides such as- culture, sports, academics. This is something that we as a school need to hold on to and nurture moving forward.

For the **School Communication section**, approximately 80% of the responses were very positive and at the upper end of the continuum (points 7 - 10) when asked about the school newsletter, email and text system, and online apps (Seesaw, Facebook and Skool Loop). What we did note was that the responses were not as positive regarding our School Website, where around 50% of the responses were in the middle of the continuum (points 4 - 7). Because of this, we are currently looking at revamping our school website to make it more user friendly.

Next weekend Saturday 28th October 10:00am - 2:00pm we have our 2023 Whānau Fun Fair. Our amazing PATHS team have been working tirelessly to organise this and bring it all together. Don't forget there is always the Teacher Dunk and Pie in the Face stalls which our staff obviously absolutely love!

Take care, stay safe and have a great long weekend everyone. Go the All Blacks!

Richard Bennett
(Principal)



Whānau Fun Fair

We look forward to seeing you all at our Whānau Fun Fair next Saturday between 10am and 2pm. Our PATHS team are still hard at work organising this popular day. Many of your child's teachers are still looking for help to run their class stall. It would be such a shame if stalls can't run all day because we have nobody to run them so please contact your teacher to see if they need you.

We are also still collecting grocery, household, health and beauty items for the raffle boxes. We have had some lovely things sent in this week but still need more. Please check that the expiry dates has not passed as we can't use those items.

Money raised from this event will go towards upgrading our hall kitchen as a teaching kitchen for both our children and community to benefit from.

HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Whānau Fun Fair • SATURDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2023
SILENT AUCTION 2023 • 10 - 2PM
HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

PRIZES TO BID ON

- Renowned 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 Aesthetics - \$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 Fair 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.

THANK YOU SPONSORS!!



Since our last newsletter the following children have joined our whānau. Welcome to Ayaan Demuni in Room 16, Lincoln Cameron and Tyler Curren in Room 17, Shakarni Ashby in Room 2, Logan Hewson in Kōwhai Āwhina Tahī, Zeke Cameron in Kōwhai Āwhina Rua and Joseph Neilson in Kōwhai Āwhina Whā

CONGRATULATIONS

House winner for T4 Wk 1

Values Winners	Awarded for
Mahi tahi: Tafi Musekiwa	Hihiri / Resilience
Rm 1 Wayne Ashton	Hihiri / Resilience
Kōwhai Rua : Georgia Stringer	Whakaute / Respect
Rm 8 : Lucie Bland	Whakaute / Respect
Rm 8 : Nixon Foreman	Whakaute / Respect
Rm 19 : Hazel Lee	Whakaute / Respect

House winner for T4 Wk 2

Values Winners	Awarded for
Kōwhai Tahī : Georgia Penta	Whakaute / Respect
Kōwhai Toru : Skyler O'Leary	Kaitiaki / Citizenship
Rm 8 Jodeci Phillips Foreman	Kaitiaki / Excellence
Rm 16 : Noah Blanchette	Whakaute / Respect
Rm 17 : Sophie Wright	Whakaute / Respect
Rm 19 : Kingston Wihongi Johnson	Whakaute / Respect

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HEALTHY LUNCH MENU

Fri Assorted Snacks & Plain Sandwich	\$1.50
Fri Wraps	\$6.00
Fri Sandwichs	\$4.00
Fri Filled Rolls	\$6.00
Fri Mini Round Pizza	\$4.00
Fri Chocolate Croissant	\$3.00
Fri Oven Hangi - Chicken and Veg with Stuffing.	\$8.00
Fri Chicken Pie Potato top 150g	\$6.00
Fri Cottage pie 150g	\$6.00

HOT FOOD

Fri American Hot Dog	\$4.00
Fri 3 Chicken Tenders	\$6.00
Fri Burgers	\$7.00
Fri Pork Riblet in long roll	\$7.00

A team from Massey University are undertaking a project on New Zealand children (aged 10 - 15 years) experiences related to financial situations. The survey will take around 10 minutes for the adult to complete and then around 15 minutes for the child to complete. We will be using the information gathered to develop mathematics and financial education tasks for teachers in New Zealand to use as well as to inform the overall research project. We would greatly appreciate it if you take the time to please complete the survey link below with your child:

https://masseybusiness.asia.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9yFKOFhIUFb7pTo

AG Day Results 2023

(Young Farmer results will be shared in our next newsletter)

LAMBS - Junior/Senior

Rearing & Grooming: Champion Reserve Champion	Evelyn Kidd Bee Clark
Leading & Control: Champion Reserve Champion	Sofia Flores-Jochmann Evelyn Kidd
Most Obvious Pet & Calling: Champion Reserve Champion	Sofia Flores-Jochmann Bee Clark
High Jump: Champion Reserve Champion	Freddie Limmer Manaia Lyons
Wool Local: Champion Reserve Champion	Sofia Flores-Jochmann Manaia Lyons
Trade Lamb: Reserve Reserve Champion	Evelyn Kidd Bee Clark
Overall Best Lamb: CHAMPION RESERVE CHAMPION	Sofia Flores-Jochmann Bee Clark / Evelyn Kidd

CALVES

Rearing & Grooming: Champion Reserve Champion	Ollie Narby Grace Brady
Leading & Handling: Champion Reserve Champion	Grace Brady Ollie Narby
Light Breed Dairy Type: Champion Reserve Champion	Grace Brady
Beef Type: Champion Reserve Champion	Ollie Narby
Overall Best Calf: CHAMPION RESERVE CHAMPION	Grace Brady Ollie Narby



REMINDER

"Operation Christmas Child" boxes. These need to be back by next Tuesday 24th October in time for transfer overseas.



80th Anniversary
Kumeū Cricket Club
CELEBRATION

Calling all Year 1 - 4
Play cricket this summer for Kumeū Cricket Club
Friday Nights

Girls 4pm - 5pm
Boys Year 3 & 4
5:30pm - 7pm

Boys Year 1 & 2
6pm - 7pm

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