



Kia ora e te Whānau 10 February 2020



Welcome back for 2020.
We are so pleased to be working with you and your children this year, each day is an adventure for us and we would like to share it with you, so look out for the times when you can be a part of our school.

The government has given schools 4 days a year for Professional Development. And Henderson North School will be closed on **Friday 6 March 2020**. We will work with 5 other schools on planning on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Maths)

A newsletter will come home every other week and will come home with the youngest member of your family and will also be emailed to you if we have your email address and will be on our website. Please read it because it keeps you up to date with your children and our school.

It is important for your child to be at school everyday and on time. It is difficult for children to make up missed time both in learning and relationships. Children should not arrive at school before 8.30am as classrooms are not accessible.

Pōwhiri

On Tuesday 18 February at 9.30am
We will have a special Pōwhiri to welcome all our new families and staff so please be in the staffroom at 9.00am to prepare.
- ALL WELCOME -

All children must wear a hat for outside activities. Including play!

Irene Ogden - Principal

Newsletters to go to the Youngest in the family!



'Be Respectful'

Encourage and support.
Move safely around our school.
Playing on the playgrounds.
Talking to adults.
Looking after school property and the environment.
Allow others to be different.
Keep hands and feet to ourself.
Take turns.



New Break Times

Time	Activity
8:55 - 10:30	First Teaching Block
10:30 - 10:40	Morning Tea Eating In Class
10:40 - 11:00	Morning Tea Play
11:00 - 12:30	Second Teaching Block
12:30 - 12:45	Lunch Eating In Class
12:45 - 1:30	Lunch Play
1:30 - 2:10	Third Teaching Block
2:10 - 2:15	Brain Break
2:15 - 3:00	Teaching Block Continues



LUNCHES



Attached to this newsletter is the Lunch Menu for the year. Lunches can be ordered from the lunchroom. Children need to write their name, room number and what they would like to order on the back of an old envelope and place money inside. All lunch orders must be taken to the lunch room before 9.00am. Lunch orders to be collected from the lunchroom at lunchtime.

Iceblocks for sale Thursday & Friday at lunchtime \$1

Kapa Haka

Tuesday afternoon during school time.
Thursday 3.00 - 4.15pm
School Hall - All Welcome



BOOT CAMP

Georgia from Sport Waitakere will run a Boot Camp on a Friday morning from 8.00am on the field. Everybody is welcome. Bring your togs!

Book Amnesty

Last year, a very large number of our children's reading books from the Juniors were not returned. Can all parents please have a search at home and if any are found please return these as soon as possible back to school.

NEW ENTRANTS 2020

If you have children that are turning 5 this year or have family/friends/neighbours that have children who are turning 5 and are wanting to attend our school - please let us know as soon as possible.

Khartoum from Room 1 has done some wonderful work for the start of the year.

© Top Teaching Tasks

SAFETY!

Please help us keep our children safe by using the crossing at the front gate. We don't want parents calling their child across the road, and them running out in front of moving cars. Please listen to the staff and students at the crossing.
Please check where you park outside of the school, you can run the risk of being ticketed.

After School Programmes

4FUN After school programme is no longer running - there are a couple of alternatives
West Wave After School Programme - 892 4920
Skids - 390 4545 or 0224475437

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Absent Children - if your child is going to be away for any reason you must inform us - phone the absentee line, text 021 0248 3806, email, school app - it is extremely important we know if your child is away.

School Uniform - we are making a special effort to make sure that all children are in correct school uniform. Please help your children achieve this. Children must have a hat this term. The uniform shop assures us that all sizes are now available.

Car parking - please do not come into the staff carpark or walk your children through it. Please close gates behind you.

Cell Phones at school - we do not encourage children to bring phones to school - if children do they must be left in the office and collected at 3.00pm

Late children - school starts at 8.55am - please ensure your children are on time and not arriving late and disturbing the class. If children are late they must report to the office and sign in and take a late slip to their teacher.

Swimming - The beautiful weather is really welcome at the start of the year. We will make full use of our swimming pool, and are fortunate to have Waitakere Sport come and teach Water Safety/Swimming to our Years 3 to 6. "Swim for Life". Please ensure your child has their swimming togs and towel every day ready to swim. These lessons are free to our children.

Lunches - Included with this newsletter is a new Lunchroom Price List Menu, lunch orders must be made before school starts. Orders are taken to the lunchroom - please write the order on an envelope and enclose the correct money.

School App - In Goggle Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

Fridge Magnet - with school dates, times will be issued to families next week.

Stationery - is now for sale at the school office - we encourage families to buy their stationery from us so that the children have the correct books and equipment to start the year. Please purchase this as soon as possible. We are fortunate that this year there are no extra charges as the government has covered these for you.

Breakfast Club runs every day from 8.00 - 8.45am in the school hall. If you are available to help please come and talk to Alba at school.

Fruit in Schools - we are fortunate once again to be a part of the Fruit in Schools programme. Everyday every child will get a piece of fruit - this will start next week. Please talk to your child about what fruit they have had and encourage them to try new fruits and put waste in the bin.

Milk in Schools - we are part of the Fonterra Milk in Schools programme, every day every child will get milk to drink.

KidsCan - we are a KidsCan school & receive generous contributions from them.

