

18 October 2021

Henderson North School

Welcome back to Term 4. We are ready to return and our school is looking beautiful (and very tidy with no litter, no rubbish!). Nino, our caretaker, has been looking after it during the holidays, mowing lawns and checking the classrooms. Mrs Templeton and Matua Paul have put in a beautiful new garden outside the staffroom. We are still hoping we can have a 'Working Bee' once the levels go down.



We hope you have been able to do some different things during the holidays and enjoyed the move to summer.

Learning happens every where so holidays are a perfect time for new experiences and family activities.



We are now ready to get back into learning but for the moment it has to be online. We still have learning packs so you can still collect one. If you don't have a learning pack pop into school between 10.00am - 2.00pm to pick one up. Please keep in touch with your teachers, they are trying hard to stay connected with you. We still have to call the roll so check in by phone or computer each day. Please follow the allocated times and keep learning to allow teachers time to teach, plan, mark, and spend time with their families.

As you will have heard from the announcement today there will be no school for the first two weeks of term - we will wait to see on Wednesday what the plan to return to school will look like.

In the meantime school is open for children of essential workers, we are grateful to the teachers who have volunteered for the extra task.

When we return to school which we hope will be very soon we will be following a layered safety plan - vaccinations, ventilation, masks, social distancing and hygiene. We want everyone to be safe and will follow all the recommendations.



Our senior children should have headed off to camp today to Motutapu Island and there was great disappointment when it had to be cancelled.

But amazingly a cancellation turned up, the opportunity was grabbed and we hope to be away on Monday 22 November.



Individual Photos - the photographers have been in touch and these will be sent to school in the next few weeks. We will try and work out a system where you can call in to collect them if they arrive before we return.



If you have a 5 year old that is due to start school next year please let us know.

If you have a Year 6 child that will be heading off to Intermediate next year please remember to enrol them.

Remember if you are needing support you can contact us at school or Patricia Ramos our SWIS at patricia.ramos@fwn.org.nz

We look forward to meeting you all soon.

Kia kaha

Irene Ogden - Principal