

HENDERSON NORTH SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER MONDAY 20 FEBRUARY

Dear Whānau

As New Zealand struggles with the aftermath of cyclone Gabrielle we are thinking about our local community and communities further away who have experienced huge loss.

Is there any practical ways that we could support our local communities at this time?

If anyone has any ideas or is able co-ordinate this please get in touch. Maybe we can organise a huge gift parcel of necessities.

James Rudd, one of our staff, is a volunteer fire fighter and has been heavily involved with these communities and can tell us first hand of the devastation that has happened. Wind, rain, floods, and fire - he is on call to help.

Today your child will bring home a very important sheet of paper with your details - it is entitled -

“UPDATING SCHOOL RECORDS - URGENT”

Please look out for it - check it and return it to school as quickly as possible.

Powhiri tomorrow Tuesday 21 February 9:00am
Please all come along and Welcome our new families.

Today we received fruit for the first time this year.

This is now precious and we are very grateful to be receiving it.

Please encourage your children to eat the fruit they are offered.

Please save your bread bags and send them along to school and we can use them to give away any excess fruit we may have at the end of the week.



Every Friday Ice-blocks will be sold at lunch time \$1 & \$2 - the money raised will help pay for our bee hives.

Yuki, a counsellor from Laidlaw College, is joining us for one day a week. She is in the last year of her training and she would like to help children who are feeling worried or anxious. Children can refer them selves, and you can also ask for Yuki to meet with your child.

The Archgola awning in front of classrooms has been looking sad for some time so today it was removed to keep us safe. We hope it will be replaced soon. But is it important your child has a hat for outside activities as we are still expecting a wonderful summer.

Ka Ora, Ka Ako | Healthy School Lunches Programme

Our tamariki are enjoying their lunches. If you are sending your children along with snacks please no large packs of foods like chips and we are a water only school.

Irene Ogden - Principal

'Library Corner'



How to be a Wild Reader

Are you a WILD reader? Read on to find out!

Wild readers are CURIOUS - Do you have lots of questions all the time? Wild readers say "I wonder..." a lot. Then they go hunting in the library to find the answers! They also say "I would like to know more about..." and most of all "I wonder if I can read this whole book?" (Note - the answer can be no! That book will still be there for later.)

Wild readers find SPACE - They read anywhere! Under a blanket, in a tree, by the beach, in the garden, in a chair, at the mall, under the table... where do you read?

Wild readers find TIME - the most forgotten ingredient. How long do you think it takes to read a whole book? Remember that it's ok to read just a little bit at a time. It's like pausing a movie!

Wild readers SHARE - Do you chat to your friends about your books!? Try asking things like "What are you reading?" and "What do you think of it?" Would you like to read that next maybe? Reading is even more fun with friends!

Shout out to Shane from EcoMatters Bike Hub in Henderson.

Shane spent time with a Henderson North School student on Friday, helping him to repair his bike.

We love how Shane encourages people to make their own repairs, using his knowledge and tools, so they are learning how to maintain their bikes. This place is an incredible community asset.

We will take more of our tamariki down to visit Shane and have their bikes serviced. He is open in the weekend so pop down and see him.

Kia ora Shane for helping our community stay safe on their bikes.



Room 6 have been enjoying the house of science kits and we were learning about sweet and sour. We had great fun making sherbet that made our mouths fizzy.



Our amazing tamariki from rooms 10, 11 & 12.



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