



HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

A Message from our Principal

The vision of the New Zealand Curriculum is for our young people to be confident, connected, actively involved, lifelong learners. The purpose of reporting is to share information about a child's learning, progress, and achievement towards this vision in ways that support further learning.

Sharing progress regularly is vital for each child's ongoing learning and success. Sharing quality learning information between learners, parents, whānau and school helps everyone to understand and support the learner and strengthens our home/school relationships.

We have been working on changing how we report to you, our whānau, in 2020. In line with the Ministry of Education guidelines, it has been our aim to report in ways that are more authentic and reflect learning as it happens rather than the written twice a year traditional model. Seesaw has been an effective platform for this to happen and we have received very positive feedback on how this has progressed.

You may have noticed a general comment about your child on their Seesaw journal in the last week or so or will see one shortly. This comment is an indication of how the classroom teacher knows your child and we hope you find it affirming. Following this, in the next few weeks, you will receive a snapshot as a private Seesaw message to let you know how your child is tracking in their learning. These snapshots are in place of the Term 4 written report you have received in previous years.

We will continue to progress this model of reporting in 2021 and look forward to the positive learning effects it will provide for our children.



Celebrations



We would like to welcome Keenai Sinisa, our newest member of Helensville Primary School.

This Week, the house who gained the most house points is

BLUE



Our Values Voucher Winners for this week are...

Charlie - Kōwhai Āwhina Wha
Annabelle - Rm 10
Hayden - Rm 21
Eden - Rm 21
Leonydas - Rm 21

Our Values Voucher Winners for last week were...

Gordon - Kōwhai Āwhina Toru
Andrei - Kōwhai Āwhina Whā
Blake - Kōwhai Āwhina Rua
Kyzah - Kōwhai Āwhina Rua
Evelyn - Kōwhai Āwhina Rua



Huge congratulations to those who were a part of Te Pō Arohia Ake yesterday. It was an emotional evening for many. Thank you so much to all of those wonderful people who gave so many hours of their time to make it such a success.



HPS Good Sort

We're excited to share with you a celebration of people who do amazing work at Helensville Primary School... those who go the extra mile to help our kids and make our school awesome!

Phil Spriggs

Our Good Sort for Term 3 is Phil Spriggs. If you've met Phil you will not be even a little bit surprised that she has been nominated. Described by friends as "short", here are some more things that you may not know about this generous and caring member of the school community.

Phil is originally from England where she trained as a teacher. Interestingly, she never taught primary school in England. Phil emigrated with her young family to New Zealand and began teaching at primary school only after she became a member of a local board of trustees. Phil has now been teaching for 24 years, the last two of which have been spent at Helensville Primary School.

Having worked for Auckland University prior to joining Helensville Primary (mentoring teachers working with student teachers), Phil says that she missed the school environment and building relationships with children. So when looking for her next role she "wanted to work in a school that was part of a community - somewhere that belonging was important". An enjoyable drive to work, "lovely country roads and all the traffic going in the opposite direction", she says doesn't hurt either.

Officially Deputy Principal, Phil describes her role as "a little bit of everything". Her main focus is on learning and to support teachers. No doubt her organisational and problem solving skills are well utilised. Describing her inspiration as "the children – the fact that every day we are privileged to be able to make a difference", it's obvious Phil is passionate about her role.

Outside of school Phil focuses on her family, though some live overseas. A proud mother of three and grandmother of one, she describes her children as her greatest accomplishment. Phil spends her free time reading, crafting and walking and plans to "improve my Te Reo and to learn to quilt" in the future.

It's clear that Phil feels that it is people that make Helensville Primary special. "I'm passionate about seeing children who are feeling successful and motivated" she states. "I love that this school is a community and everyone looks after each other. I really believe the caring and dedicated staff are awesome!"



School Notices

HPS Athletics Day Results

Year 3 Girls				Year 3 Boys			
Long Jump	1st	Shaniah Sinisa	Long Jump	1st	Harry Coles		
	2nd	Kaylee Johnson-Hull		2nd	Jesse Heke-McCaw		
	3rd	Dorothy Pinnell		3rd	Spencer Gilbert		
High Jump	1st	Shaniah Sinisa	High Jump	1st	Leroy McCormack		
	2nd	Zarya Biggelaar		2nd	Harry Coles		
	3rd	Kaylee Johnson-Hull		3rd	Kyle Silveira Liam Reynolds		
Discus	1st	Elizabeth Allen	Discus	1st	Cooper Foreman		
	2nd=	Kaylee Johnson-Hull		2nd	Aimeni Aitau		
		Shaniah Sinisa		3rd	Kobie Best-Peraua		
Shot Put	1st	Elizabeth Allen	Shot Put	1st	Spencer Gilbert		
	2nd	Nienke Vorster		2nd	Harry Coles		
	3rd	Shaniah Sinisa		3rd	Aimeni Aitau		
Sprints 50m	1st	Shaniah Sinisa	Sprints 50m	1st	Spencer Gilbert		
	2nd	Zarya Biggelaar		2nd	Harry Coles		
	3rd	Maia Keefe		3rd	Jack Casey		
	4th	Dorothy Pinnell		4th	Leroy McCormack		
Sprints 75m	1st	Shaniah Sinisa	Sprints 75m	1st	Spencer Gilbert		
	2nd	Zarya Biggelaar		2nd	Jack Casey		
	3rd	Kaylee Johnson-Hull		3rd	Harry Coles		
	4th	Maia Keefe		4th	Leroy McCormack		

Year 4 Girls				Year 4 Boys			
Long Jump	1st	Eden Asiata- Wea	Long Jump	1st	Benjamin Collinge-Coker		
	2nd	Holley-Jain Latemore		2nd	James Page		
	3rd	Emily Barry		3rd	Max Williamson		
High Jump	1st	Maci Laarakkers	High Jump	1st	Benjamin Collinge-Coker		
	2nd	Eden Asiata- Wea		2nd	Tyler Clapham		
	3rd	Senesi-Maruia Harris		3rd	Jaxon Godek		
Discus	1st	Cheyenne Cook	Discus	1st	Jaxon Godek		
	2nd	Senesi-Maruia Harris		2nd	Jackson Wards		
	3rd	Mikyah Stokes		3rd	Max Williamson		
Shot Put	1st	Senesi-Maruia Harris	Shot Put	1st	Jackson Wards		
	2nd	Cheyenne Cook		2nd	Cooper Duggan		

Sprints 50m	3rd	Eden Asiata- Wea	Sprints 50m	3rd =	Oliver Hopkins Tyler Clapham		
	1st	Senesi-Maruia Harris		1st	Benjamin Collinge-Coker		
	2nd	Eden Asiata-Wea		2nd	Max Williamson		
	3rd	Charli Stokes		3rd	Jaxon Godek		
Sprints 75m	4th	Maci Laarakkers	Sprints 75m	4th	Cooper Duggan		
	1st	Eden Asiata-Wea		1st	Benjamin Collinge-Coker		
	2nd	Senesi-Maruia Harris		2nd	Cooper Duggan		
	3rd	Charli Stokes		3rd	Max Williamson		
Year 5 Girls	Long Jump	1st	Marley Seakens	Year 5 Boys	Long Jump	1st	George Brown
		2nd=	Molly Orange			2nd	Cooper O'Neill
			Renee Biggelaar			3rd	Flynn Hornby
High Jump	High Jump	1st	Renee Biggelaar	High Jump	1st	George Brown	
		2nd	Marley Seakens		2nd	Ari Brenchley	
		3rd	Ngahua Kok		3rd	Lewis Pakenham	
Discus	Discus	1st	Marley Seakens	Discus	1st	Cooper O'Neill	
		2nd	Ella Westenberg		2nd	Flynn Hornby	
		3rd	Lakhenzie Sinisa		3rd	George Brown	
Shot Put	Shot Put	1st	Rena Hood	Shot Put	1st =	Taylor Heke-McCaw Cooper O'Neill	
		2nd=	Lakhenzie Sinisa Louisa Morris		3rd	Flynn Hornby	
Sprints 75m	Sprints 75m	1st	Bayly Clark	Sprints 75m	1st	George Brown	
		2nd	Marley Seakens		2nd	Cooper O'Neill	
		3rd	Renee Biggelaar		3rd	Jacob Ward	
		4th	Molly Orange		4th	Flynn Hornby	
Sprints 100m	Sprints 100m	1st	Bayly Clark	Sprints 100m	1st	George Brown	
		2nd	Renee Biggelaar		2nd	Jacob Ward	
		3rd	Molly Orange		3rd	Cooper O'Neill	
		4th	Lakhenzie Sinisa		4th	Flynn Hornby	

Year 6 Girls				Year 6 Boys			
Long Jump	1st	Sammie Barry	Long Jump	1st	Rhys Thorpe		
	2nd	Taylor Bradly		2nd	Ashton Coles		
	3rd	Kaitlyn Dayberg-Allen		3rd	Baxter Gillespie		

Sprints 200m	1st	George Collinge-Coker	Sprints 200m	1st	Shawn Sayers		
	2nd	Chloe Wright		2nd	Geordie Calder		
	3rd	Niamh Brosnan		3rd	Kai Wilson		
	4th	Aria Llewellyn		4th	Kiwa Samuels		
Year 8 Girls	Long Jump	1st	Cassandra Zickert	Year 8 Boys	Long Jump	1st	Ottis Oliver-Chambers
		2nd	Katarina Clark			2nd	Jaxon Sutcliffe
		3rd	Lily Carter			3rd	Joel Mita
High Jump	High Jump	1st	Cassandra Zickert	High Jump	1st	Ottis Oliver-Chambers	
		2nd	Taylor Pakenham		2nd	Leeroy Sergeant	
		3rd	Ella Clarke		3rd	Joel Mita	
Discus	Discus	1st	Katarina Clark	Discus	1st	Ottis Oliver-Chambers	
		2nd	Cassandra Zickert		2nd	Jaxon Sutcliffe	
		3rd=	Ella Clarke Zalea SouthernVasey		3rd	Te Karawhiu Provan	
Shot Put	Shot Put	1st	Cassandra Zickert	Shot Put	1st	Jaxon Sutcliffe	
		2nd	Katarina Clark		2nd	Ottis Oliver-Chambers	
		3rd	Zalea SouthernVasey		3rd	DJ Schofield	
Sprints 100m	Sprints 100m	1st	Cassandra Zickert	Sprints 100m	1st	Ottis Oliver-Chambers	
		2nd	Maddison Barry		2nd	Cohen Meikle	
		3rd	Veronica Lin		3rd	Jaxon Sutcliffe	
		4th	Katarina Clark		4th	Joel Mita	
Sprints 200m	Sprints 200m	1st	Cassandra Zickert	Sprints 200m	1st	Ottis Oliver-Chambers	
		2nd	Maddison Barry		2nd	Cohen Meikle	
		3rd	Veronica Lin		3rd	Kael McFarlane	
		4th	Katarina Clark		4th	Bryce Meikle	

School Notices

Kaipara Athletics Results

2020 Kaipara Athletics Results

Congratulations to all those students who represented our school at Kaipara Athletics on Friday 13th November. We were really proud of your efforts and it was awesome to see so many of you succeed or even achieve new personal bests.

Year Four Boys	Year Four Girls
Ben Collinge-Coker: 2nd – 50m Sprints, 1st – 75m Sprints, 2nd – Long Jump, 3rd – High Jump	Eden Aslata-Wea: 2nd – 50m Sprints, 2nd – 75m Sprints, 2nd Long Jump, 3rd – High Jump
Jackson Wards: 1st – Shot Put	Senesi-Marula Harris: 2nd Discus
James Page: 3rd – Long Jump	Cheyenne Cook: 3rd Discus



Year Five Boys	Year Five Girls
George Brown: 1st – 75m Sprints, 1st – 100m Sprints	Lakhenzie Sinisa: 2nd Discus
Jacob Ward: 3rd – 100m Sprints	
Cooper O'Neill: 3rd – Long Jump	



Year Six Boys	Year Six Girls
Baxter Gillespie: 1st – 75m Sprints, 2nd – 100m Sprints	Rhia Stokes: 1st – 75m Sprints, 1st – 100m Sprints
Ashton Coles: 2nd – 75m Sprints	Taylor Bradley: 3rd – 75m Sprints
Dan Cummings: 3rd – 100m Sprints	Sammie Barry: 1st Long Jump
Rhys Thorpe: 2nd – Long Jump	Kaitlyn Daynerg-Allen: 2nd Discus, 3rd Long Jump

2020 Kaipara Athletics Results Continued...

Year Seven Boys	Year Seven Girls
Shawn Sayers: 1st – 200m Sprints, 2nd – Long Jump	Georgie Collinge-Coker: 1st – 100m Sprints, 1st – 200m Sprints, 400m Sprints, High Jump
Scott McKenna-Andrews: 1st – Shot Put, 2nd – Discus	Brooke Scrivener: 3rd – 100m Sprints, 3rd – 200m Sprints, 2nd – High Jump
	Mila Laarakkers: 2nd 400m Sprints
	Maree Robertson: 3rd Shot Put



Year Eight Boys	Year Eight Girls
Ottis Oliver-Chambers: 1st – 200m Sprints, 2nd – 100m Sprints, 1st 800m, 1st Discus, 2nd High Jump	Cassandra Zickert: 1st – 100m Sprint, 1st – 200m Sprint, High Jump, Discus, 2nd Long Jump
Cohen Meikle: 3rd 800m	Millie Limmer: 3rd – 100m Sprint, 3rd – 200m Sprint, 1st 800m Sprints
Jaxon Sutcliffe: 1st Shot Put, 2nd Discus	Veronica Lih: 2nd – 200m Sprints
Joel Mita: 3rd Long Jump	Lexie Tilson: 3rd 800m Sprints
	Zalea SouthernVasey: 2nd Discus



Special thanks to Shona Calder, Jake Ward, John Gillespie, Nicola Reynolds, Hilary Steedman, Megan Sommerville-Ryan and Nicola Collinge for giving up their time to support the day.



Auckland Touch Championships

Our Year 7 & 8 girls touch team represented HPS and the NW zone at the Auckland Touch Championships in Takanini, last week. They competed against teams representing some really big intermediates schools. The girls drew with Saint Kentigern 1-1, lost to Takapuna Normal Intermediate 5-0, won against Point England School 5-2. They finished second in their pool to qualify for the semis, where they faced the eventual winners Holy Cross School. The girls finished the day in 4th place. We are really proud of their achievements, this is the first time in 4 years a HPS team has represented us at this level and the best result we have had so far! A special thanks to those parents who transported and supported the girls on the day.



Open Girls Results

Place	School
1 st	Holy Cross School
2 nd	Takapuna Normal Intermediate
3 rd	Rosehill Intermediate
4 th	Helensville School
5 th	St. Kentigern

6 th	Royal Oak School
7 th	Pt. England School
8 th	Glen Eden Intermediate
9 th	Waiuku Primary School

Stay connected  Stay safe

#stayconnectedstaysafe

Social Media

All social media platforms including Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter and YouTube have a minimum age limit of 13+. While we recommend that young people are not on social media before they are ready, we also know that there is often pressure for them to become active in these spaces earlier. If they are interacting in these spaces before they are 13, it's always better that they're open honest with you about using an app or site, rather than doing it behind your back. This way, you can help them make safe and responsible choices online.

Here are Netsafe's top tips for setting up social media accounts for your child:

- **Teach the online safety basics:**

Make sure you've taught them the skills they need to make safe choices online. This includes how to set up a strong password, what information they need to protect online, what is appropriate online behaviour and what they should do if they need help or if something makes them uncomfortable or upset.

- **Help with the set up:**

If possible, set up the account together, using your email account and their actual age. This will help to limit the inappropriate content they see. Pay particular attention to the privacy settings when signing up and put aside time to when you can both explore the settings and functionality of the platform together.

- **Set boundaries and expectations:**

Sit together and come up with expectations around behaviour, screen time, privacy, who they will connect with and what can be shared. Let them know that you will be a 'friend' or you will 'follow' them – it is important to be transparent about this and ensure this expectation is in place from the beginning. Make sure you help them to have a plan in place should something not go as expected. What should they do if something happens online that makes them feel uncomfortable?

- **Check-in:**

Research shows that parents are critical to the success of young people becoming safe, confident and capable in their use of digital technology. Regular proactive conversations at home helps to minimise the damage if things do go wrong online. It's important to let your child know that they can talk to you about anything that happens to them online and that you'll be there to support them no matter what.

- **Teach them about the safety tools available:**

most social networks include tools to block, report or remove harmful content. Make sure they know how to use these to keep themselves safe.

For more information about keeping your children safe online visit netsafe.org.nz/digital-parenting/

Upcoming Dates



26th November: **Auckland Athletics - Yr7/8**

4th December: **Junior Athletics - Yr 0-2**
NW Dodgeball Tournament -Yr5-8

7th December @ 1:45pm: **Service Awards Hui**

11th December: **Winning House Mufti Day**

15th December: **Year 8 Graduation**

16th December @ 11am: **Final Hui**

16th December @12.30: **End of Term 4**

[More information to follow](#)

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Christmas Hamper Drive

Helensville Primary School is proud to be supporting local families in need this holiday season.

We invite our wonderful school community to donate non-perishable food and new, unwrapped toys for the Christmas Hamper Drive on behalf of Kindred Family Services & Kai Collective.

Donations can be delivered to the school office.

Thank you for your support and for showing our school value - kotahitanga (citizenship).




HPS GOOD SORTS TERM 4

NOMINATIONS CLOSE 27TH NOVEMBER

Nominate someone who you feel goes out of their way to do amazing work at Helensville Primary School ... and tell us why.

It could be a teacher/ support staff/ coach/ volunteer/ parent/ child ... someone who goes the extra mile to help our kids and make our school awesome.

Celebrated in the school newsletter.
Email: goodsorts@helensville.school.nz



River Valley Meats Christmas Hams and Salamis



RIVER VALLEY MEATS

Home of the Tasty Sausage

Cooked on the bone – Whole Ham 8-10kg \$100
Cooked on the bone – Half Ham 4.2-5.2kg \$55
Traditionally Manuka Smoked Beef Salami \$20 (approx. 1kg each)



info@meat.net.nz

- Orders: to Andy and Wendy Cummings
- By: Friday, 11 December
- Payment: Eftpos, cash or bank transfer
- Pick up: Helensville School on the last day of term (Wednesday, 16 December) or by arrangement
- \$5 from every ham sale and salami goes to PATHS fundraising



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