

Helensville Primary School

NEWSLETTER



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Meeting Our Challenges

Aim High "Arohia Ake"

This week Kiwi adventurer Scott Donaldson talked of how he had to battle the wild Tasman Sea and overcome a tussle with a "frisky" shark to become the first person to kayak 2200 kilometres from Australia to New Zealand solo.

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Where we know what it is to be a learner



Aim High - Arohia Ake

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4TH JULY 2018

After 61 days of blood, blisters and sunburn, Donaldson finally arrived home having tackled the Tasman to raise funds and awareness about asthma, a condition he and his young son Zac live with. What an inspiration he is, not only for his achievement, but because he took on a challenge and had a goal or purpose in mind.

This term has been a time of positive challenges for your children also, and role models in our society, like Scott Donaldson encourage them to achieve and "Aim High".

Some of the challenges to support learning, physical and social skills have been:

- Futsal lessons
- Rata and Rimu Team camps
- Individual goal setting
- Speech making
- Norwest football competitions
- International student visits
- Constable Bryan in classroom
- Kapa haka performances
- Mathex
- Pasifika group festival
- Sustainability team challenges
- AIMS Games sport trials
- 7s Team rugby
- Netball trials
- Ski team training
- Cooking club
- Kaipara triathlon



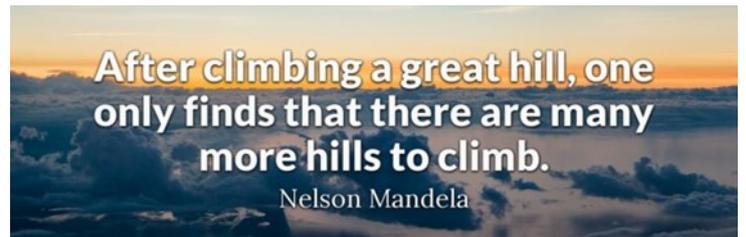
These experiences offer our students opportunities to take risks in their learning, challenge their thinking and create goals to focus on for a specific length of time. Having read all your children's reports over the last week, I see many of these opportunities reflected in the comments the teachers have written. Many of the reports record the focus and goals the

children have set, and mention their achievements in many of the areas listed above.

As part of our curriculum, we teach the 'Value' of resilience, which is also displayed in the way our students approach the challenges that are part of school life, and many rise to these challenges with your and our support.

Scott Donaldson exemplifies this resilience and for many New Zealanders, could be the motivation they need to pursue a challenge they never dreamed of before.

I leave you today with warm wishes for the holiday break and with a quote from the inspirational leader Nelson Mandela, that I think epitomises the essence for us all when we look to meet the challenges we face in education and life.



Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi engari he toa takimano

My strength is not that of an individual but that of the collective

Deborah Heasman

Principal



Thank you to our wonderful families who hosted our homestay students from Hong Kong recently. Our next group arrive on the 5th August and leave on the 14th August 2018.

We therefore **need more host families** for our August visitors.

Students are here to experience NZ schooling and family life, they stay in pairs and will need all meals provided. Families will receive approximately \$800 to cover costs of having the students.

Please contact the office or Tracey Buchanan (traceyb@helensville.school.nz) for more information.



This is a fabulous opportunity for your family!



**HPS's
GOT
TALENT**



Congratulations to all our finalists in the 'Helensville Primary School's Got Talent'. The competition was very hard, with lots of fabulous acts. The runner up was Bo Woodward and the winner Brooke Scrivener. Well done!

Sustainability News



Litterless Lunches

This week in our Sustainability Superheroes Group, we spent some time reflecting on our progress so far this year. We are impressed that so many of your children are now bringing litter free lunches to school. Each time a student brings a litter free lunch, they are given a paper slip to go into our weekly prize draw. Look at how many paper slips have been collected so far this year!

Paper4Trees

We have also been recording our school recycling on our Helensville School Tally Tree. The more paper we recycle, the more native trees we will be given to plant through the Paper4Trees scheme.

This is what our tree looks like at the moment.

This term we also spent time designing an outdoor classroom space to enter the Tremendous Schools Competition.



Bokashi Bins

Our next step towards becoming a zero waste school is to install a Bokashi Bin in every classroom. We created our own Bokashi Bin earlier this term, and have been trialing it in Room 10. To help us along the way, Tori Christie from the Compost Collective will be coming to Helensville School next term to run a 'how to bokashi' session. This will be held on July 31 at 3:30pm. Write this date in your diaries if you would like to come along. More details to follow. For more information on Bokashi Bins, have a look at www.compostcollective.org.nz



Absentees to report and
unable to phone the
school?

You can now text our
school mobile:

021 02407717

Please remember to state
your child's name, room
and reason for absence.

Kia hiwa rā

Pipitiwai Drive was an old
pa site. Create a model or
sketch of what you think
it might have looked like in
ancient times.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS - TERM 2/3 2018

6th July	Last day of Term 2 Assembly @ 1:30pm
23rd July	First day of Term 3
25th July	Board Meeting in the staffroom 6:30pm
25th July - 17th August	Whole school gymnastics PD
26th July	Rippa Rugby Year 3-6
27th July	Kowhai Team 100 day celebration
31st July	Bokashi bin workshop
1st August	Ski team training
5th - 14th August	International students visiting from Hong Kong
8th August	Ski team training
10th August	HPS Cross Country Year 5-8 (Save day 13th August)
14th August	NW Netball Year 7 & 8
15th August	Rugby 7's Year 7/8
16th - 24th August	Life Education Bus
17th August	Kaipara Cross Country
22nd August	Pre AIMS Futsal tournament
23rd August	Cupcake Day - AIMS Fundraiser
28th August	Norwest Cross Country
31st August	Daffodil day
4th September	Auckland Cross Country
10th - 14th September	AIMS games
17th - 21st September	Book Week - Parade on Friday 21st Sept
28th September	Last day of Term 3



Mathletics Awards

**Congratulations to Jaxon, Geordie,
Danielle and Olivia, who have all
received a gold award in**

Mathletics !





Last weekend, a High Tea Fundraiser for Breast Cancer was held in our school hall. Special mention and thanks to some of our student leaders who displayed all of our school values during this event.

Photo credit: Stellanova Photography

TOP ART TOURING EXHIBITION

Kaipara College will again host the Top Art Folders from midday Monday 2nd July to Thursday 5th July in the Careers Centre at the college – 36 Rautawhiri Road, Helensville.

Top Art is an annual touring exhibition featuring a selection of the NCEA Level 3 portfolios that achieved Excellence in Visual Arts in 2017. The five streams covered are design, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture.

Top Art provides an opportunity for secondary students and teachers to gain an understanding of what is required to achieve Excellence at Level 3, as well as allowing members of the public to see the high quality art being created in schools around New Zealand. The exhibition will be open during school hours 9.00 am to 3.10 pm. If you would like further information, please contact Claire Couch on 09 420 8640 Extn 835.



Enjoy a huge range of FREE school holiday activities at NorthWest Shopping Centre.

My Little Pony® Play Zone

Monday 9 – Friday 13 July, 11am – 2pm daily

PLUS: Meet Twilight Sparkles from 11:00am to 11:30am, 12:00pm to 12:30pm & 1:00pm to 1:30pm daily.

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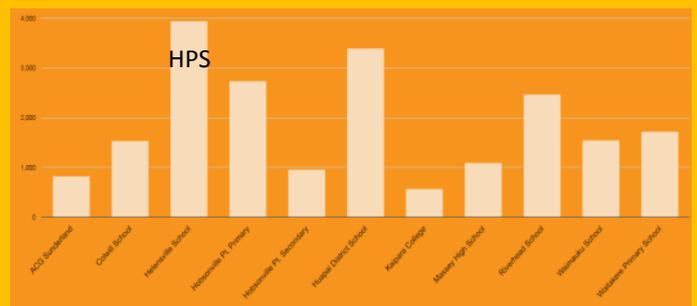
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SHOPPING CENTRE

Don't forget to vote for Helensville School over the holidays, when shopping at Northwest Shopping Centre in Westgate. We are currently in the lead, with a good chance of winning up to \$3000 for our school.



Have a great holiday. Keep safe and warm and we will see you back on the 23rd July.

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Keep supporting our school over the holidays.

Take your receipt to the service desk and

VOTE for HPS!

Total schools
prize pool of
\$6,000
cash to
be won!

NorthWest Rewards.

Shop & vote for your local school

18 June – 22 July

Help your school win cash*!

From 18th June – 22nd July, \$1 = 1 point for your school at NorthWest Shopping Centre.

We're rewarding schools - but it's up to you to tell us who! It's easy as 1, 2, 3:

1. Shop at NorthWest Shopping Centre
2. Take your receipt to Customer Service to submit your vote and be entered in the draw for a \$1000 NorthWest Shopping Spree.
3. Track your school progress in centre or online: northwestshoppingcentre.co.nz

Participating schools include:

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- ACG Sunderland
- Waimauku School
- Riverhead School
- Massey High School
- Hobsonville Point Primary
- Colwill School
- Hobsonville Point Secondary School
- Waitakere Primary School

How it works:

- At the end of the promotional period, the school with the highest average spend per student will **WIN \$3,000 CASH for their school**. The school with the second highest points will receive **\$2,000 CASH** and the school with the third highest points will receive **\$1,000 CASH**

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THE GREAT DONATE



A BIG THANK YOU...

to all that supported the PATHS
(Parents And Teachers of Helensville School)
fundraiser: *The Great Donate.*

\$1200.00

was raised towards a new senior playground!

Special thank you to Kimmie Saunders, Helensville
Community Recycling Centre, Helensville Hospice
Shop, and our hardworking PATHS team.



Thanks everyone!

A BUSY TERM IN ROOM 15

Here are a few highlights ...



Futsal sessions with NFF (Northern Football Federation). We had so much game time and developed our skills without even realising that we were.



Exploring our inquiry topic: 'Plastic - yay or nay?'
As part of this, we buried a plastic bag and a paper bag in the garden. When we dug them up 43 days later, there was no sign of the paper bag - it had fully decomposed! The plastic bag hadn't changed at all. That helped us to understand why paper bags are so much better for our environment.



Doing hands on activities to prepare for writing. In the photos above, we were making giant bubbles with our buddy class. Then we really understood the process when it was time to write a set of instructions and create an instructional video.



Seesaw Parent Handout

You can access your child's journal anytime via iOS app, Android app, Kindle Fire app, or on the website using other smartphones and computers



Why use Seesaw?

Gives ALL students *voice*

Makes thinking *visible* - provides insight

Creates *ownership* in learning, builds *reflection*, supports *creation*

Organizes and *shares* digital creations

Builds *strong communication* between home and school

Authentic audience and *feedback*

Sign up to your child's Seesaw account.

Sign up other relatives as well - you can sign up to 10 family members to a child's account.

Only you and your signed up family members can see your child's account. No other parents or community has access to it.

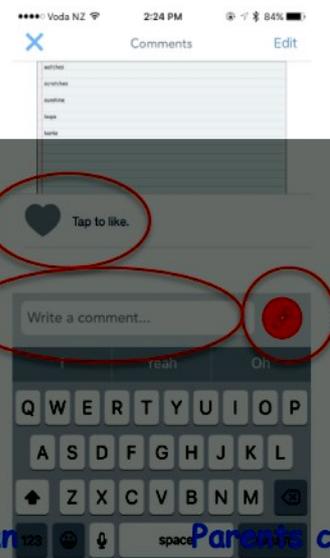
Translation Tool

If a note, caption or text comment is written in a language that is different from the language of your device, a "See Translation" option appears below the post. Click "See Translation" and Seesaw automatically translates any text into your native language.



How can you engage?

Parents can like their work



Parents can write a comment on their work

Parents can record a voice comment on their work

What does a good comment look like?

The Best Comments Help Us Learn Something New

Can you tell me more about ...
I wish I understood why ...
I am curious about ...

Be Positive and Build Each Other Up!

This was interesting to me because ...
I think you did a great job because ...
I really liked ... about your post.
Have you thought of ...

Always Be Curious and Respectful

What do you think about ...
Your post reminded me that ...
This is important to me because ...

How do parents join up?



1. Search for “Seesaw Parent Access” in the iTunes App Store, Google Play Store or Kindle Fire Store and download the app.
2. Tap “Create Parent Account”* and scan the QR Code on the handout.

Seesaw
The multimedia journal that keeps parents in the loop

Parent Signup Instructions for Ms. Smith's Class

iPhone & iPad

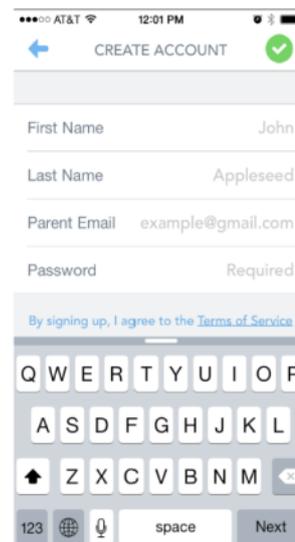
1. Go to see-saw.me/v/parentapp in Safari on your iPhone/iPad and install Seesaw Parent App.
2. Start Seesaw Parent App and tap “Create Account”.
3. Scan the QR Code below.



4. Choose your child from the class list and create an account.
5. Allow notifications to be notified when your child makes something new at school.

Android, Windows, Other Smartphones

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2. Create your account and choose your child from the class list.
3. Enter your phone number to get text messages when your child makes something new at school.



12:01 PM

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Password Required

By signing up, I agree to the [Terms of Service](#)

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What is PATHS?



PATHS (Parent and Teachers of Helensville School) is replacing what was previously known as the Home and School Committee.

Already this year our team has been working hard. We have organised a school **WORKING BEE**, transforming our playgrounds and gardens into bright, colourful and tidy areas as well as running a Beehive design competition, with the winning beehives to be auctioned off as a school fundraiser this month. And just recently we held **THE GREAT DONATE**, a garage sale event raising \$1200 towards the proposed senior playground.

PATHS is now a Registered Charity and Member of the New Zealand Parent Teacher Association, which allows our school access to a wider support network through a Nationwide body, and the benefits attached to being a Registered Charity.

As PATHS move forward they hope to enhance the spirit of the school community by having fun as parents, teachers and children in social and educational activities, whilst raising funds for the school. Initially all efforts will be focused on raising the remaining funds needed for a new Senior Playground. Currently, PATHS still require a considerable amount for this project, and playground sponsorship opportunities are now available.

PATHS meet monthly at the school and would like to welcome new members at any time of the year. Another option to consider is to become a Friend of PATHS. Designed for those people that are unable to commit to a committee and monthly meetings, but have skills and knowledge that would help benefit and advance the committee and the fundraising events. PATHS hope to establish an extensive Friends of PATHS network over the next few months, so they can call on parents expertise as needed.

One of the Friends of PATHS already on board is Rachel Cunliffe, Founder and Designer of Cre8d Design. Rachel, a parent of three Helensville school students designed the New PATHS logo over her summer break. The PATHS logo has five upward lines in the school colour representative of a helping hand, five fingers or pathways and are also a reflection on the school motto of Aim High - Arohia Ake.

PATHS co chairpersons Cara Darvill and Christina Wood, can be contacted by email, paths@helensvilleschool.nz for upcoming PATHS meetings and events and how to become a Friend of PATHS.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

ADVENTURERS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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ADVENTURERS HOLIDAY SCHEDULE - JULY

Monday 9 th July	Tuesday 10 th July	Wednesday 11 th July	Thursdays 12 th July	Friday 13 th July
Wood Fest We will be making beavers to start off the holidays to make sure we stay warm over these cold days! \$38	Circus Extravaganza! Learn to do acrobatics, handstands, juggling, devil sticks, spin plates, hula hoop, and more with Miss M. The Circus School! \$45	Photography Day Take a special photo, print it and then have fun decorating your own frame to put it in! \$35	Bakers Delight Fun baking and making to bake Cookies, cupcakes and slices. Decorate it just the way you like. \$35	Movie Madness Bring your blanket, bring your blanket, bring your soft toy, bring your comfy PJ's if you want to! Get ready for some movie fun! \$35
Monday 16 th July	Tuesday 17 th July	Wednesday 18 th July	Thursday 19 th July	Friday 20 th July
Story Telling Come as your favourite book character, bring your favourite book and enjoy the story telling of Miss Heather McEneaney. \$35	Sandy Shores Make your own sand art pictures to take home and enjoy making some beaded jewellery. \$38	CD Crafting Use old CDs to make beautiful mosaic pictures or try your hand at making a CD Mandala. \$35	Karaoke Sing Star Fine tune those singing voices for a day of fun belting out your favourite tunes. \$35	Mid-Winter Christmas Party Enjoy the last day of the holiday with a fun mid-winter party, enjoy hot chocolate and marshmallows while we play fun winter games. \$35

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NETBALL SKILLS JULY HOLIDAY PROGRAM



WHEN (FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL HOLIDAYS)
Year 3/4, 5/6 & 7/8
Thur & Fri 12th, 13th July
Time: 9am-2pm

TIME
Sign In: 9am
Pick up: 2pm

WHERE
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 Register by 10 July 2018



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