

Helensville Primary School

NEWSLETTER



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Things to Celebrate

Welcome to back to another exciting term of celebrations in our Helensville community.

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Where we know what it is to be a learner



Aim High - Arohia Ake

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24TH OCTOBER 2018

As always, our teachers have worked during the break to create wonderful learning opportunities for your children.

Our main focus for this week is Ag Day and all the special activities that are involved in this event. The students have been creating some fantastic items both at school and home for display. We are all looking forward to sharing the day with you.

Ag Day would not happen without the team effort of our valued support staff, teachers and PATHS. The endless hours of organisation that the PATHS group have put in to make this event a reality, shows their commitment to our school and is very much appreciated. Thank you to all who have contributed by donating items and baking, or supporting children's activities and lending a helping hand wherever able.

Check out this family of three generations, spending time painting the inside of our PE Shed during the holidays.



Another PATHS team effort has been instigated by Megan Somerville-Ryan. Megan sourced a grant from Rotary for new equipment for the

students to play with during break times. The PE shed monitors were so excited when they opened it up on the first day. The lost property that used to be in with the PE gear will now have a new home, in a purpose made shed that will shortly be located by Space 25.

Kaipara Rotary have also supported us this year as helpers at our 'Working Bee' and just last week by gifting amazing dictionaries to all Year 4 students. These were presented to the students in a special assembly last Friday and this will



be repeated next year. The dictionaries are colourful, engaging and will go with them as they progress throughout the school. This will support students with both their writing and spelling.

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



Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much.
Helen Keller

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Kia hiwa rā

Otakanini Pā is one of the most well know places in Auckland, in terms of Māori history. A great warrior used to be in charge there - his name was Tauhia. What would you need to have, to make a strong pā site?



Mathletics Awards

Congratulations to Tom, Zoey and Max who all received a gold award in Mathletics !



A very warm welcome to our new students;

Roxanne, Jemima, Oliver, Hendrix, Warwick, Olivia and their families. We look forward to showing them all our school has to offer.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - TERM 4 2018

26th October	Ag Day
29th October	Pasifika Noho in hall
1st November	New Parents meeting 9am Room 2
1st November	BOT meeting in the staffroom 6:30pm
3rd November	Kaipara Festival
6th November	NW Touch
6th - 19th November	Kowhai Team swimming lessons
9th November	HPS Athletics Day Year 4-8
14th November	International Trip leave for Hong Kong
16th November	Kaipara Athletics
23rd November	Norwest Athletics
23rd November	PATHS Disco
30th November	Kowhai/Karaka Athletics day @ Rautawhiri Park
14th December	Year 8 Graduation Social
17th December	End of Term Assembly
20th December	End of Year Assembly - Last day of school year

On the 15th of September, Helensville Primary School got to meet Steve Hathaway from Young Ocean Explorers. Steve came to visit us to share his adventures in the ocean. We all loved the amazing pictures and stories he shared with us, he taught us about 1+a day. 1+a day is where each child picks up one piece of rubbish a day to help save our oceans.



He showed us how amazing the underwater world is.

Here is the link to purchase his book is

<https://youngoceanexplorers.myshopify.com/products/book-young-ocean-explorers-love-our-ocean>
www.youngoceanexplorers.com

Gloria Tavui





Teacher of the Month: Nicole Stokes

Our teacher of the month is **Nicole Stokes** from Helensville Primary School.

As part of a term long investigation of plastic and how we can reduce its use, Nicole took her class down to the boardwalk beside the Kaipara River, where students removed approximately 1.5 square metres of trash from the riverside. She then took her class (and the trash) to the Helensville Recycling Centre to assist and learn more about what the Recycling Centre does. Nicole's students, a Year 7 & 8 class have been fired up since their clean up to continue actions to keep our river and town clean.



Teno pai **Nicole!** An ecostore gift pack is on its way to you to say thanks from us for all your hard work.



Look out for our
curriculum consultation
that will be emailed out on
Monday 29th October.

It followed me home...

Space 25 has been making Pet Rocks in preparation for this year's AG Day!

First we planned out our pet rocks. We decided what they would look like and what rock we would use—(including some Kauri gum and water cut rocks, kindly supplied by Space 26!)



We decided that our pet rocks would be living along the beautiful Kaipara River.

We added sand, shells and sticks to make a realistic habitat for our rocky friends.



POETIC EMOTIONS

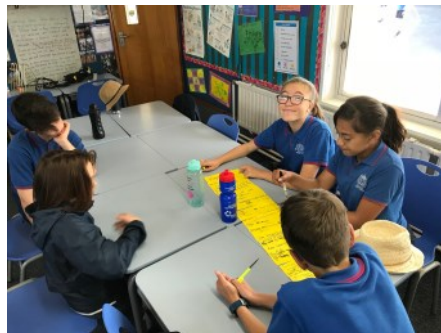
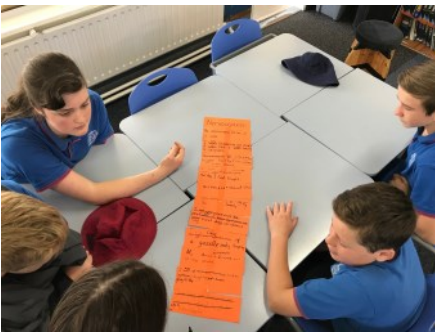
In Room 15 we have been looking at all the emotions we experience and strategies we can use to process these.

In writing, we looked at similes, metaphors and personification.

We picked our best similes, metaphors and/or personification and put them forward into a class collection.



In groups, we ordered our individual statements into a logical order to create a rough poem. We then collaborated to edit and make changes that would help our poem flow.



What next? We are creating a video of still images to share our poems using original photos, text and maybe even backing music.

Check out one of our collaborative poems on the next page...

SADNESS

Sadness is black!

Torn, ripped, crumpled jazz shoes sitting in
the darkened corner as sad as a broken,
forgotten friendship...

My sadness was the fall of the Roman Empire
A small child's ice-cream falling off the cone
Tears pour out of my eyes like a waterfall
The withered, old husk of a dying tree
Not talking to anyone for an entire week!
Isolation...

A poor child being made to write his speech
Sadness envelopes me

Abridged version

You're invited



HELENSVILLE PRIMARY

AG DAY

Happening Friday!!!

FRIDAY

**26 OCT
2018**

FROM 4PM - 7:30PM

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New entrants at Helensville School?



You are invited to a
'New Parents Morning'
Thursday 8th November 2018
9:00am in Room 2

For parents of
children who
started schooling
in Term 3, or will
be starting in
Term 4, or Term 1
next year.

Come along and meet some of our Kowhai Team Teachers, have a look at our Kowhai classes, find out about our programmes, what you can do to prepare your child for school and ask any questions you may have...



We look forward to meeting you!





Helensville Primary Lunch Menu

Available: Monday, Wednesday & Friday



Mince Savoury	\$1.50
Large Sausage Roll	\$2.00
Mince or Mince & Cheese Pie	\$3.00
Large Soft Tacos	\$4.00
Crispy Chicken & Salad	
Hotdog with Cheese, Sauce & Mustard	\$2.50
Lasagne Topper	\$3.00
Nachos with sour cream	\$4.00
Hawaiian Pizza	\$3.00
Fresh Seasonal Fruit	\$1.00
Jumbo Cookie of the Day	\$1.00
Fruit Yoghurt	\$1.50
Jelly	\$2.00
Fruit Salad	\$2.00
Water	\$2.00

Meal Packs....

1....Morning Tea & Brainfood	\$3.00
Raisins, Pack of Cookies & Fresh Fruit	
2... Sushi or Taco	\$6.50
Pack of popcorn, Jelly & a piece of fruit	



Lunches can be ordered in the Hall from 8am in the morning on Monday, Wednesday & Fridays.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Play Cricket this summer

Kumeu Cricket is offering cricket for all ages this summer.
Year 0-4 Boys and Year 0-6 Girls- Softball : \$120 for term 1 & 4,
Friday nights Starting 26th October
Year 5-10 (Boys) Hardball : \$155 for Term 1 & 4 , Saturday
Morning , Starting 27th October
Year 7-13 Girls: Hardball : \$80 for Term 1 & 4, Saturday Morning,
Starting 3rd November.

*All the gear and match shirt and caps provide by the club .

*Please register online www.kumeucricket.com

For more information please contacting

Kumeu Cricket Club 022 0434614

Disclaimer: These are community notices that are no way connected with Helensville School. Parents should make their own judgements as to the safety and suitability of any of these programmes for their children.

Ngati Whataua Heru Hapai
Kaua e mahue te tahi atu ki waho
Don't leave anybody out



Nau Mai Haere Mai

Haranui Marae Free GP Clinic

12.10pm – 3.30pm

Marae GP Date

Thursday 25th October 2018

Te Waahi (Place/Venue): Haranui Marae
64 Haranui Road
South Head

Te Wa (Time): 12.10p – 3.30p

Everyone is welcome regardless of your current Doctor or Medical Practice

Appointments are essential and can be made by phoning
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4 to 5.30
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6 to 7.30
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PHONE 021 811 022 FOR MORE INFO

22
NOVEMBER
10-2PM
BARR RD, MAKARAU

GIBBS FARM VISIT

FUNDRAISER FOR KAUKAPAKA PLAYGROUND

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