

# Helensville Primary School

## NEWSLETTER



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

**“You can have your own  
opinions. But you can't have your  
own facts.”**

Ricky Gervais

29 Rata Street

Helensville

Ph. 09 420 8005

Fax. 09 420 8023



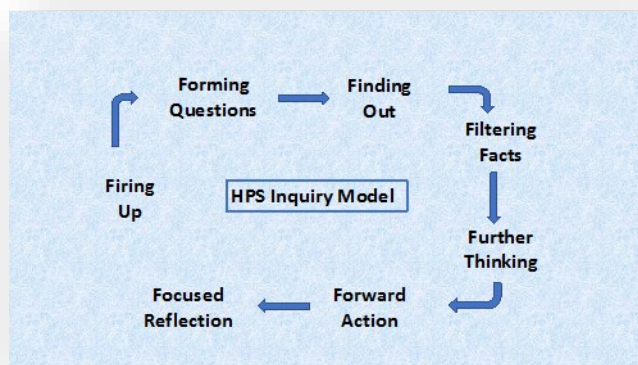
*Where we know what it is to be a learner*

Aim High - Arohia Ake

# NEWSLETTER NO. 13

29TH AUGUST 2018

To follow on from the last newsletter, our next "Inquiry Stage" is in relation to how we filter facts. How do we know the difference between truth and opinion? Deciphering the difference can be a challenging exercise and this is an important stage of the learning process for our students. A **fact** is a statement that can be proven true or false. An **opinion** is an expression of a person's feelings that cannot be proven.



## Filtering Facts Stage

What are some of the strategies used to filter facts?

- Define what a fact is
- Identify how to process, sort out and organise ideas
- Group facts together
- Keep useful facts
- Park unrelated facts

**Facts do not  
cease to exist  
because they are  
ignored.  
Aldous Huxley**

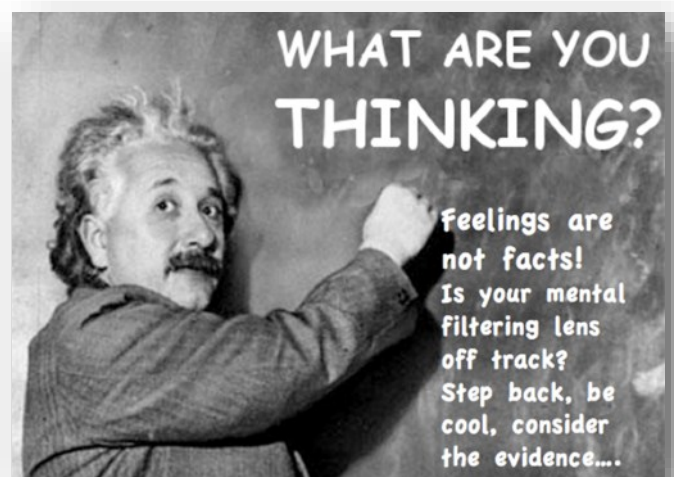
The teachers' role:

- Ask "What have you learnt?"
- Ask "How will the information be recorded?"
- Scaffold as needed to make connections with new knowledge
- Initiate discussions on findings
- Ask clarifying questions

Your perception  
of truth doesn't  
make it true

The students' role:

- Share experiences & ideas
- Cut & sort, organise, clarify, highlight relevant information
- Choose what to keep
- Ask more questions, compare and contrast, list, group & label findings



*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*



# Kia hiwa rā

Weaving and carving are traditional forms of Maori art. Where in Te Awaroa Helensville can you find examples of these?



## lego fundraiser

\$2207 was raised at the Lego Day for students travelling to Hong Kong in November. Parent organiser Rachel, estimated that approximately 500 people came through on the day. Special thanks to Allblocks Lego User Group and Toy World Henderson, who donated all the prizes for the day. Thanks also to all the families who came to see this amazing display of LEGO.



## HPS Daffodil Day

Friday 31st August 2018

Wear as much yellow as you can and bring a gold coin donation.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - TERM 3 2018

29th August	Te Po Arohia Ake - Māori and Pasifika Celebration
30th August	Year 8 College Day
31st August	Daffodil day
4th September	Auckland Cross Country
6th September	BOT meeting in the staffroom 6:30pm
7th September	Kowhai, Karaka and Miro Cross Country
10th - 14th September	AIMS games
11th September	PATHS meeting in the staffroom 6:30pm
13th September	Rippa Rugby Years 3 - 6
17th - 21st September	Book Week - Parade on Friday 21st Sept
17th September	Young Ocean Explorers Assembly
25th September	PATHS meeting in the staffroom 6:30pm
28th September	Last day of Term 3
15th October	First day of Term 4

## Congratulations to our students who sat the UNSW



### Global ICAS exams



Special mention to the following students:

Kate Larsen - High Distinction in Science.

*Kate is in the top 1% of Year 8 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific region. Outstanding Kate!*

Millie Limmer - Credit in Science

Rebecca Bloemendal - High Distinction in Spelling

*Rebecca is in the top 1% of Year 7 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific region. Congratulations Rebecca!*

Charlie Clunie - Distinction in Spelling.

*Charlie is in the top 11% of Year 6 participants. Well done Charlie!*

Jacob Bloemendal - Credit in Spelling

Rocco Mowat - Merit in Spelling

Kate Larsen - Distinction in Writing.

*Kate is in the top 9% of Year 8 participants in New Zealand and the Pacific region. Awesome Kate!*

Mila Laarakkers - Credit in Writing

Emma Mabbett - Credit in Writing

Chloe Reynolds - Credit in Writing

**Certificates will be presented at assembly on Monday**



## Welcome to the 2018/19 Touch Rugby Season

**KAIPARA JUNIOR TOUCH** is loads of fun for Year 0 – Year 8 boys and girls. Players are in school teams with games on Friday afternoons at Helensville Rugby & Sports Club / Rautawhiri Park.

**PLAYED LAST SEASON?** – you'll receive a personal link via email.

**DIDN'T PLAY LAST SEASON OR DIDN'T RECEIVE A LINK?**

Use this: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/76194>

Or find Kaipara Junior Touch on Facebook & click Sign Up button

**FEES:** \$30 per player, to be paid online when registering.  
(direct debit or credit card)

**REGISTER ONLINE  
FOR JUNIOR  
TOUCH BEFORE  
14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

### 2018

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Player Registrations & Payments due
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	First games!
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Last game for 2018 – break for Christmas

### 2019

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Play resumes for Term 1
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	End of round play
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Sunday – semi-finals / finals / prizegiving (all teams play)

### **GRADES ARE ALL MIXED TEAMS**

Schools are responsible for placing players in teams. Teams can have max 12 players with at least 2 girls per team. 6 players on the field at one time - 4 males/2 females. **A player can only be registered in 1 team – you cannot play a player in any other team!**

Years 0, 1 & 2	Midget Mixed	Years 5 & 6	Intermediate Mixed
Years 3 & 4	Junior Mixed	Years 7 & 8	Senior Mixed

### **UPDATES/DRAWS:**

<http://www.sporty.co.nz/kaiparajrntouch/Draws-Results/Draws-Results>

A weekly email with a link to the draw will also be emailed to School Coordinators and Team Managers and put on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/KaiparaJuniorTouch/>

### **REFEREES:**

Any senior students (Year 7 or older) who are interested in becoming a PAID referee need to register asap on our website:

<http://www.sporty.co.nz/kaiparajrntouch/Referees-1/Register-as-a-Ref>

<http://www.sporty.co.nz/kaiparajrntouch>

[kaipara.touch@gmail.com](mailto:kaipara.touch@gmail.com)

Helensville School - Where we know what it is to be a learner



# Room 4

How do we know about Space?

We invited our families in to show off our inquiry learning.



We made our own constellations, salt dough aliens and rocket ships.





Room 17 had fun creating and erupting our volcanoes.  
We raced each other to see whose volcano erupted first.



# HELENSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL - KAIPARA CROSS

## COUNTRY RESULTS

### TOP TEN FINISHERS

YEAR 5 GIRLS	Placing
Emilee Coe	1st
Georgina Collinge-Coker	2nd
Brooke Scrivener	4th
Mila Laarakkers	5th
YEAR 5 BOYS	Placing
Tom Pilkington	1st
Shawn Sayers	7th
YEAR 6 GIRLS	Placing
Millie Limmer	2nd
Lexie Tilson	10th
YEAR 6 BOYS	Placing
Ottis Oliver-Chambers	1st
Jordan Van Schalkwyk	2nd
Bryce Meikle	7th
James Ross	8th
Curtis Woodward	9th

YEAR 7 GIRLS	Placing
Piper Crake	3rd=
Lilee Allen	5th
Kyla Middleton	6th
YEAR 7 BOYS	Placing
Orlando Wynyard	3rd
Harvey Banks	5th
YEAR 8 GIRLS	Placing
Daisy Oliver-Chambers	1st
Lauren Tanner	3rd
Eve Canter	6th
Kiyana Pakenham	9th
YEAR 8 BOYS	Placing
Ely Tupuola	9th
Jack Sergeant	10th

### ***Mathletics Awards***

**Congratulations to Emma,  
Lakhenzie, Nikola and  
David, who all received a  
gold award in Mathletics !**



A very warm welcome to our new students, Elaine, Mikayla and their families. We look forward to showing them all our school has to offer.







# Group Day

We are urgently needing a parent/caregiver to represent  
Helensville Primary at Group Day meetings.

Group Day is an annual event for children who have won ribbons  
for their animals at Ag Day. Ribbon winners from schools around  
the South Kaipara region come together with their animals for the  
day to compete to see who is the best of the best.

Group Day is run by parents from around the Kaipara Region and  
can only exist with volunteers like you!

If you are interested in helping or want further information, please  
email Tracey Buchanan at [traceyb@helensville.school.nz](mailto:traceyb@helensville.school.nz)





# WANTED

---

## Your School NEEDS YOU!

---

**Are you a local Business or Tradie that would have the time and skills/products to help our school?**

**Are you a stay at home parent or grandparent who would like to help out but not have the commitment of being on the PTA?**

**Maybe you have some fantastic skills/experience that you can share with our school when needed.**

**Become a F.O.O.T!**

A Friend of our Team.

**With your help we can walk our PATHs  
and reach our destinations to make our  
school even greater.**

If you think you can help, contact us, let us know how you can help and we will keep your details on record and just give you a shout when we need a hand (or a FOOT as the case maybe).



[PATHS@helensville.school.nz](mailto:PATHS@helensville.school.nz)



31 AUGUST 2018



Cancer Society

# Daffodil Day

Please give generously

[www.daffodilday.org.nz](http://www.daffodilday.org.nz)



Cancer Society  
**Daffodil Day**

Principal Sponsor





# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Fathers' Day gifts from Ezlunch

It's time to celebrate dads – and how better than to get them something a little different, and not socks!

Place an order with ezlunch for **delivery 27<sup>th</sup> August – 31<sup>st</sup> August** and be in the draw to WIN ONE OF TWO \$50 Gift Vouchers to gift to Dad on Fathers' Day.



The winners will be notified by email and/or phone on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August. Good luck!

## Helensville Swimming Club

### LEARN TO SWIM

SWIMMING LESSONS are available for beginners - squad level with Helensville Swimming Club for children aged from 5 years old for Term 4 2018. Half hour lessons are held on Mondays & Wednesdays after school.

Helensville Swimming Club also has SQUAD SWIMMING on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6-7pm for the more advanced swimmers wanting to keep up fitness levels and improve technique and style.

The club has qualified coaches who will teach your child to swim to NZ Swimming Association Certification standards.

Contact Jane by txt or call : 027 605 4630

## Family Have A Go Day

### Sunday 16th September!!

Looking for something to do in Helensville...come down to Rautawhiri Park on Sunday 16th September between 11am – 2pm and Have A Go, have a chat or collect some information on what sports our community has to offer.

There will be a fundraising sausage sizzle, fun for the family and an opportunity to learn.

So far activities on the day will include – Athletics, Tennis, Touch Rugby, Futsal, Soccer, Baseball, Netball.

There are still more groups coming on board so watch this space!!

An opportunity for a cuppa and a chat to the Lions Club of Helensville at the Rautawhiri Park Pavilion, take a look at the great work they do in our community.

All welcome!!!

<https://www.facebook.com/events/223325558370891/>

Sunday 9 Sept

**SLICE, SLICE, BABY**  
**KIDS'**  
**KITCHEN**  
**COOKING CLASSES**



## Kids' Kitchen Cooking Class

**Te Whare Oranga ō Parakai**

**Sunday 9 September**

The last Kids' Kitchen was a sell-out, so don't miss out this month.

Classes are 9 am, 10 am and 11 am - cost \$5 each,

Ages 3-12

And watch this space, because very shortly we'll be announcing a special Kids' Kitchen session to coincide with the next school holidays.

Email: [kitchen@hdht.co.nz](mailto:kitchen@hdht.co.nz)

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.



## Wave Warriors Holiday Surf Programme

The O'Neill Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the spring holidays for 6-16yr olds at Orewa Beach

**Fun, Safe, Active & Healthy**

6-16yr olds | 5 Day Programme | 1-5 Oct | 8-12 Oct

\$150 per person | Morning or Afternoon session times

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at Orewa Beach



**Limited spaces | Please email to book**

[surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz](mailto:surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz)

[www.oneillsurfacademy.co.nz](http://www.oneillsurfacademy.co.nz)



# Please Support Those Who Support Us

## \$500 DONATION IF YOU LIST & SELL WITH US!

List and sell your property with Kerry and Doug King from Barfoot & Thompson Helensville Branch, and we will donate \$500 to Helensville Primary School (conditions apply).

**Proven track record, friendly, honest and experienced in your area.**

**Local, Loyal and Loving It!**



**Doug King**  
M. 027 249 1982  
AH. 09 420 8616  
d.king@barfoot.co.nz



**Kerry King**  
M. 027 458 7229  
AH. 09 420 8616  
k.king@barfoot.co.nz

Barfoot & Thompson

Licensed under the Real Estate Agents Act 2008

Office 09 420 6090

[www.barfoot.co.nz](http://www.barfoot.co.nz)



**RESIDENTIAL and COMMERCIAL**  
New projects or renovations • Testing and tagging  
For reliable service call  
**NICK HONEYCOMBE**  
420 9822 or 021 735 828 • nwestnz@gmail.com  
28 Rautawhiri Road, Helensville

**Gumboots**  
Early Learning Centre  
[www.gumboots.ac.nz](http://www.gumboots.ac.nz)  
1157 Peak Road R D 2 Helensville, ph 411 9038



**Helensville Mechanical Services**  
90 Mill Rd, Helensville  
**Phone: 09 420 8177**



**J Olsen Building**  
Alterations  
Renovations  
Repair Work  
Landscape Construction etc...  
Ph: (09) 420 7045  
Mobile: 0274 356 846  
Fax: (09) 420 7439  
debbieolsen@kinect.co.nz

**Give John the Builder a call**

For all electrical repairs,  
installations, maintenance  
and servicing.  
Residential \* Commercial \* Rural  
**Ph 09 420 7882 | 0274 976 092**

**Electrical Laser**  
[helensville@laserelectrical.co.nz](mailto:helensville@laserelectrical.co.nz)

**countdown**

Every Monday, Countdown Helensville donate fruit and bread for students without lunches.

Please support those who support us. Shop at Countdown Helensville.

**Positive Image**

[www.positiveimage.co.nz](http://www.positiveimage.co.nz)  
**09 424 1262**

T-shirts, Hats, Sportswear, Workwear, Pens, Key Rings, Mugs, Bags, Teddies, Corporate, Drink Bottles, Glassware, Gift Packs, Coolie Bags & More!  
**Branding available.**  
Contact us for a free quote!

**PHYSIO FLEX**  
KEEPING HELENSVILLE MOVING  
09 420 8899  
[www.physioflex.co.nz](http://www.physioflex.co.nz)  
[www.facebook.com/physioflexhelensville/](https://www.facebook.com/physioflexhelensville/)

**Helensvilleglass**  
24 HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE  
Glazing | Mirrors | Splashbacks  
Balustrades | Double Glazing  
Windscreens | Frameless Glass showers  
0800 825 100 | Ph (09) 420 8210  
Email [info@helensvilleglass.co.nz](mailto:info@helensvilleglass.co.nz)  
48 Mill Road, Helensville

**BEAUTY ELIXIR**  
with Melissa Carr - Cosmetic Tattooing  
TEL 09 420 9775 MOB 022 465 0727 | [marias1113@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:marias1113@yahoo.co.nz)

**BuildLinkWest**  
Buy Better Build Better

Peelings | Bark | Soils | Aggregates | Cements | Posts | Rails | Timber | Machined Timber  
Interior Timber | Gib | Plywood | Roofing | Gates | Wire | Netting | Fastenings | Hardware  
Tools | Paint | Stains | Motor Oil | Key Cutting Service While You Wait | and much, much more

1 West St, Helensville, opposite the A&P Showgrounds | Ph: 420 8706 | [www.buildlinkwest.co.nz](http://www.buildlinkwest.co.nz)