

Newsletter 8

Term 2 | Week 7

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*Kia Ora Talofa Guten Tag Bonjour Malo e lelei Kia Orana
Fakalofa lahi atu Goeie Dag Sawadee Croeso Bula Fáilte*

From our Principal

Kia ora e te Whānau o Henderson Intermediate,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well and you are all staying healthy through this winter.

As I reflect on this half term I would like to congratulate all of our students. They have embraced the changes, the moving of classes and making their new environments their learning hubs. I would also like to thank our leaders for their leadership over this year so far. This group of rangatira have continued to be great leaders and to take on more responsibilities within our school.

On the 31st of May we had our **Teacher Only Day**. These days are hugely beneficial for us as a staff, it is a time for us to learn and reflect on our teaching practices and to build our capacity as a team. Our first session was a Resilience Edge workshop with Kathy Harding. It is important that we look after the wellbeing of our teachers and support staff because teaching is a full on giving of self kind of job. Our second session was the HIS Cook Off. We took full advantage of our brand new 'Master Chef' kitchen and our resident chef, Matua Sam,

to run a cooking competition. This was a huge amount of fun and we can see this being a great opportunity for our students in the near future. Check out the photos further down in this newsletter.

We are thrilled to have our **tiger turf** completed, especially this time of year. Our students love this space and it is a height of activity during break times.

We have almost finished our **Fale** and we hope to open this Thursday 27th June, keep on eye on this in the communications.

We will also be losing a few classrooms over the next few weeks. These were classes that the Ministry of Education supplied during our build.

Most of this work will be done in the next school holidays.

Last Thursday to Sunday, 5 Board members and myself attended the **34th Annual Te Whakarōputanga Kaitiaki Kura o Aotearoa Conference** in Wellington. It was an absolute privilege to attend this with our board members. The conference is all about governance of schools and the theme was Be The Change. Boards play an important role in our kura and at HIS we are very fortunate to have such a high functioning Board.

I would like to warmly welcome **Polikapo Leota** to our kura. Polikapo will be working in Tupu Ma Ola as a Learning Assistant.

We believe in fostering a strong and collaborative whanaungatanga between the school and whānau. We encourage your active participation in your child's education, please look out for any opportunity on our calendar to engage in this. We also encourage and support you to reach out to your child's [teacher](#) with any questions or concerns. It's when we work together, the possible happens!

CONTACTING ME

I can be contacted on my cell phone anytime on 0212720552 or via email at principal@hendersonint.school.nz.

Have a wonderful week!

Ngā mihi nui | Kind regards

Viv Carr

Principal/Tumuaki

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF STAFF AND BOARD

Upcoming Events



Pipiri / June

- 17 - Board Meeting 6pm
- 26 - Auckland Zone Girls Rugby
- 27 - Matariki Stars - Finals
- 27 - Pasifika Evening & Fale Opening
- 28 - Matariki - SCHOOL CLOSED

Hōngonngoi / July

- 1 - Waitākere College Matinee - Y8 students - 10am
- 2 - Waitākere Zone Netball
- 2 - Whānau Hui - Matariki Kaitahi - 6 - 8pm
- 5 - End of Term 2
- 22 - Start of Term 3

School Calendar

Art Gallery Trip

In week 4, a group of students visited Auckland Art Gallery -Toi o Tāmaki, to see the Tai Moana exhibition and create their own artworks in the studio workshop. The theme of the exhibition was the coastlines of Aotearoa.

Here are some reflections on our experience.:

My favourite thing was the giant woollen octopus, "Fresh Eke"- Vaine and Dorothy 19 and 28

I liked the shell sculpture. It was made out of 8,000 scallop shells. - **Amanii 28**

My highlight was creating the 3D sculptures in the studio. - **Haley 19**

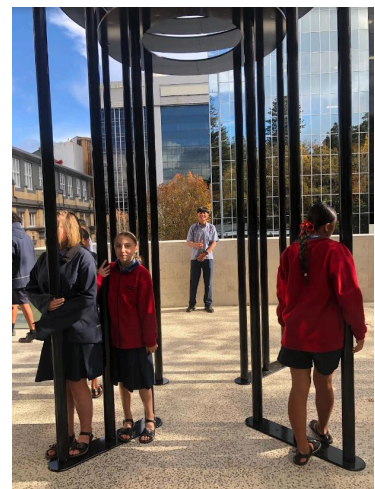
I enjoyed the sculpture making. - **Darren 8**

I liked the crocheted rainbow octopus made by Ani O'Neill. - **Josiah 19**

My favourite things were the the photos of the whale and the carved whalebone patu. I also liked Raukura Tūrei's huge painting of the black glittery sand at Piha. - **Walter 27**

I enjoyed the experience of going to the gallery for the first time. - **Nikolai 28**

I liked the massive shell sculpture in the shape of a fish trap. - **Kingston 28**





Te Pai Netball Draw

Please click on the below link to find the time and court number of your child's game this Wednesday.

Good luck to all teams!

Filipino Salu Salo Evening

What a fantastic turnout we had at HIS for the first Filipino Salu Salo evening.

This initiative was driven by Henderson Intermediate School, Henderson North Primary School and Pomaria Primary. Families from our growing Filipino community came to hear about how the schools can support them as they and their children become part of the community. There were many questions asked and answered and parent voice was heard and recorded. The general and overall feeling was 'very satisfied' with how families have been welcomed into the schools.

A highlight of the evening was the address from the Filipino Ambassador here in NZ where she vocalised her support of this new initiative seeing the benefit of open communication between the families and schools.

Of course another highlight was the wonderful spread parents brought with them and which was shared by all at the end of the meeting!



Teacher Only Day

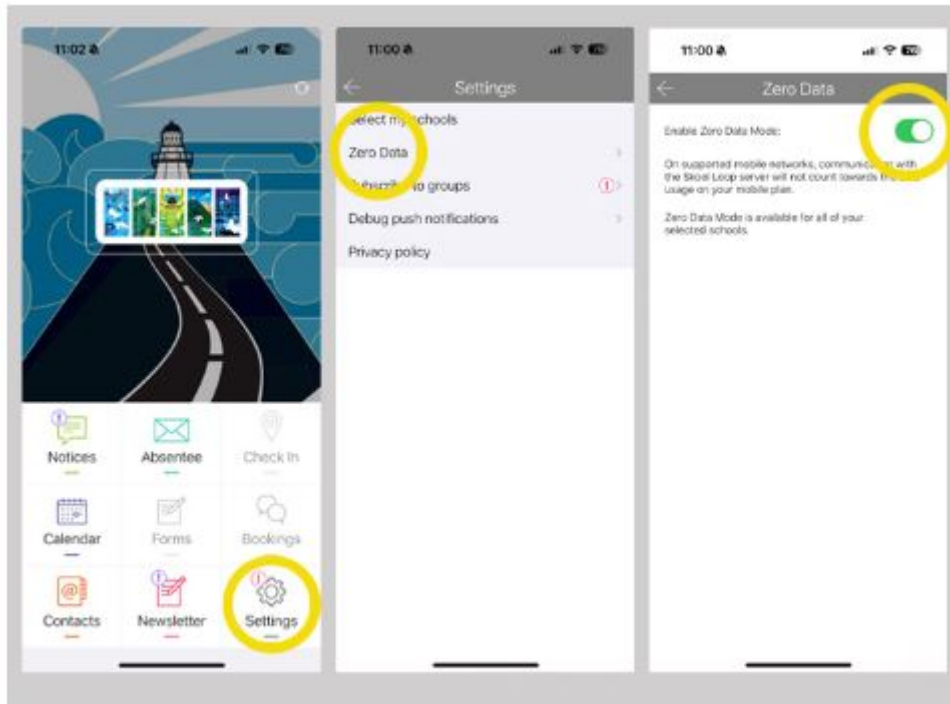
Here are some photos from our Teacher Only Day with staff competing in our own version of 'Master Chef'. The meals they created were presented beautifully and tasted delicious!





Skool Loop Update

For some school parents and caregivers, the cost of mobile data can be a barrier to accessing school information and communications! Not anymore! We are excited to announce Skool Loop has aligned with Zero Data removing this barrier by providing free access to our school app. Please see instructions below on how to activate this.



Community Notices

Massey High School

Whanaungatanga | Manaakitanga | Rangatiratanga



**Massey High School
Open Night – Monday 10th June 2024
3.30pm to 5.30pm
Or
6.30pm to 8.30pm
Meet in the Bruce Ritchie Performing Arts Centre
for the Principal's address**

Additions to Massey High School Uniform from 2025

We have some exciting news for members of our wider community concerning our uniform, with some new choices being added. This has been driven largely by our student leaders, and the voice of our wider community.

As you are aware our blazer, shirt, and tie are integral components of our uniform and are a source of pride for our students - nothing changes in this regard. However, for students starting at Massey High School in 2025, there will be additional uniform choices available for all students from the start of the year.

Our existing uniform can be found on our website under Uniform Information.

The options below are being added to our uniform from the start of 2025.

Shorts Charcoal shorts, with tone-on-tone Massey High School logo. Shorts may be worn with sandals (see below) or with black leather shoes and black socks.

Sandals Sandals are being introduced as a uniform option from the start of 2025. Sandals must be black leather Roman sandals. Further information about other acceptable options will be on our website. No socks are to be worn with sandals, and sandals are not to be worn with long trousers. Please note - crocs and other forms of informal footwear will not be permitted.

Students taking technology which require enclosed shoes in workshops should bring appropriate shoes for those subjects on the days they are timetabled. Similarly, experiments in science labs will require appropriate shoes. More information will be on our website.

Trousers, shorts, skirts, sandals, shoes will all be uniform choices that can be worn year-round. There is no summer/winter split.

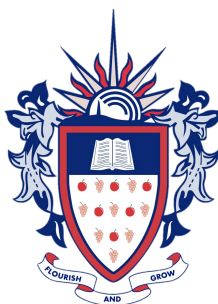
In addition, we will have a new option for our current vest (design being confirmed) and the Ie faitaga will also become a uniform choice.

Our full prospectus is available electronically on our website.



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