

# HENDERSON SOUTH SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER 01/2019

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Caring Sharing Learning



### **Principal's Message:**

Welcome back to 2019. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday with your children during the Christmas break? Our school has started positively and we have had quite a few new enrolments. I would like to welcome all our new families to our school and hope that you have settled in well.

**Our VISION for our school is the Continue to create Cultural Creative Critical Thinkers.** We will be embedding this vision into our school programs and encouraging our students to gain a stronger understanding of this throughout their time here.

Our students have settled in well and have started working and applying themselves to their learning.

### **We are fully staffed at our school:**

We have three new teachers that have joined our staff.

Miss Patricia Tuilaepa (Year 3/4 for Tipu) has come from Bruce McLaren Intermediate

Anna Rubick (Year 3/4 for Tipu) has come from Arahoe School

Rebecca Parry (Year 5/6 Puawai) has come from the United Kingdom.

I wish them well and welcome them to our school.

### **Stationery:**

Your child's stationery can be purchased at our school. All children have been issued with a stationery list. We are a NO FEES SCHOOL and will not be asking parents for a donation.

### **Uniforms:**

We are a school that proudly wear a school uniform. Our school uniform is compulsory. We do give new students a two-week period to get organised. Uniforms can be purchased at the uniform shop on Central Park Drive. Sandals (Roman or similar type sandals) must be worn in Term 1 and 4. Shoes are worn in Term 3 and 4. Sneakers are not part of our uniform. Please refer to our uniform guidelines which can be found on line in our website [www.hendersonsouth.school.nz](http://www.hendersonsouth.school.nz)

### **Lunches:**

A reminder that students can order lunches at our school at the school office in the morning before school starts.

### **Fruit in Schools, Milk and Kidscan:**

Our school is fortunate that we are part of these programs. It is a great scheme which is government support and has been put into place to provide fruit and milk to all of our students. We have fruit every day and milk on Tuesday's and Thursday's. We order extra supplementary food from Kidscan which is distributed to classes to supplement the diet of our children.

We will provide a standard lunch and fruit for any child that does not have one. Parents need to write a note to their child's teacher requesting a lunch. We do not want any child to go without food. We want parents to feel assured that we will provide food for their child.

### **Website:**

Please refer to our school website for any information you may need about our school. We update it regularly and there are classroom blogs which give you an insight into what is happening in your child's classroom.

### **Industrial Issues:**

Last year you may recall that Primary School teachers went out on strike twice. The teachers rejected the offer that the government gave to us and there would be more negotiations this year. These negotiations have commenced and hopefully the NZEI and the government can resolve our claims. Some these issues are:

1. Pay
2. Staffing
3. Retention of staff

4. In school support
5. Increased teacher release days to plan

**Enrolments:**

We are accepting enrolments for new students. If your child is turning five years old, it would be great if you could enroll them now and then organise some pre-visits before they start so that they can transition into our school seamlessly. If you are a new family arriving, we look forward to meeting you and your children.

**Reminders:**

21st February - Pasifika Consultation

**WHĀNAU MĀORI CONSULTATION HUI**

**Thursday 28 February 6:00pm**

**Tipu (bottom level of the ILE)**

*Nau mai haere mai koutou katoa*

*This is a time for us to get to know you (whakawhanaungatanga) and hear from you about your goals and aspirations for your tamariki (wānanga, ako). A sausage sizzle and refreshments will be provided (manaakitanga).*

*We hope to see you all there!*

21st March - Goal Setting Evening

The School Public Health Nurse's Amy and Maretta will now be available at the times listed below, to drop in for chat.

- Amy and Laura Monday and Wednesday mornings 8.15am – 10.30am

They are also available in the afternoons by prior arrangement – please call or text them, or ask at the school office for help.

They will be situated in room 11

They are available to discuss any concerns about your child's health, growth and development in a confidential environment.

**For example:** Skin & ear infections, asthma & eczema, sore throats: Rheumatic fever prevention, hearing & vision, bed wetting & other continence issues, nutrition & diet, family violence, linking to health or social services & advise about any other health concerns.

To contact:

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**NEWSLETTER:**

*I have read the newsletter 01/2019 dated 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and wish to enter my child in the prize draw.*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Room:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

