

HENDERSON SOUTH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 03/2019



Wednesday 13th March

Congratulations to all of our students for settling into our school year. I would like to commend our pupils for organising themselves into their school uniforms and making sure that they have stationery to work in. We have a fabulous school tone and it is evident that our children know why they are here and that is to learn and to enjoy themselves.

Whānau Māori Consultation Hui:

What a fantastic night this was. It was wonderful to see our parents here discussing and contributing their ideas to support their child's learning. Building powerful and meaningful relationships was a goal for the evening and to collect community voice on key areas for our Māori learners and whānau around: Ako, Tangatawhenuaanga, Whanaungatanga, Manaakitanga, and Wānanga.

We have gathered all the parent responses and they can be found on our school website, for parents to view.

Here is the pathway to our whānau feedback

1. Go to our website www.hendersonsouth.school.nz
2. In the search window on the top right type whānau Māori
3. Click on Whānau Māori Consultation Hui
4. Click on the link 'Whānau Māori Consultation Hui Feedback 2019' (end of paragraph two)

Lucky Number - every family that attends Goal Setting Evening:

This is a very important time when you meet with your child's teacher to discuss their goals for the year. Together we will discuss your child's main focus area/s for their learning needs.

You have received the note inviting you to choose a time to come along to school for an interview. I must stress that this is not a time where the teachers will report to you about your child's progress and achievement. This will be done at the end of Term 2. All children need to be collected at 12.00 noon as there will be nobody to supervise your children.

When - Thursday 21st March

Time - as per your interview time

Venue - Your child's classroom.

Every family that attends the goal setting evening receives a lucky number which will go into a draw to win a Warehouse voucher to the value of \$100. If you have more than one child, you will be given another lucky number. The winner will be drawn the following day.

The School will close at 12 pm on Thursday 21st March

Paid Union Meetings:

Teachers will be released from school on Tuesday 19th March to attend a meeting to discuss the negotiations and the offer the government has given us. In our last newsletter, I discussed the reasons why we need to improve our current situation in schools.

The School will close at 12 pm on this day. We will supervise children until 2:45 pm if parents are not able to collect their child at 12 pm.

Remember- School closes at 12 pm on March 19th March – Paid Union Meeting

- School closes at 12 pm on March 21st March – Goal Setting Evening

Carparks:

Please remember to drop your child off on Garelja Road. Our staff carpark is for staff cars only. Parents should avoid using the Aoga carpark also.

Have a great day

Trevor Diamond
Principal

READING NIGHTS: *The following children have reached reading milestones.*

25 NIGHTS:

Hannah Li
Vaiafai Isaako

Luciano Williams
Priscilla Esau

Rocatus Sootuli



Parent Help Required:

The Junior School will be introducing a new physical activity programme called PMP. This programme is about developing the foundations for learning in the classroom. Children are arriving at school with limited development in motor skills. These children take longer to learn how to form letters correctly when writing and are less likely to be able to sit still and stay focused on learning activities.

The PMP programme involves eye tracking, locomotion, fitness, balance, and hand-eye coordination. It is fun and hands-on, but the junior teachers need parents to help and guide children through the 5 different stations and activities.

If you are available on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings from 9-11am and can commit to helping the junior classes at this time we would love to hear from you!

You can talk to Mrs. Bradley in Room 7 from 8.30 in the morning, or after school, or leave your name and number at the office and we will get back to you!

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS:

School Board of Trustees is in May of this year.

Please check at the School Office that we have your current address and phone number.

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I have read the newsletter 03/2019 dated 13th March 2019 and wish to enter my child in the prize draw.

Name: _____ **Room:** _____ **Signed:** _____