

HENDERSON PRIMARY SCHOOL 11 February 2022

Nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa/Greetings to you all.

Kia ora Henderson Primary School whānau, this is the first newsletter of 2022. This year all schools have moved to the 'traffic light' system. At Red/Orange/Green all schools are open and some restrictions will apply depending on the colour of the 'traffic light'. We are currently at Red. **The first person to know about a COVID-19 infection will be you, if you are COVID-19 positive or self isolating please contact us so we can take the appropriate action to keep everyone safe.**

We all know that this is going to happen and at school we are taking every precaution we can to keep tamariki/children and kaimahi/staff safe. Kaimahi and Year 4-6 tamariki must wear masks in the classroom, it is optional outside. We are operating 3 teaching bubbles (Piwakawaka-Y1/2, Koutoku-Y3/4 and Karearea-Y5/6) and our Office bubble. All whānau who wish to come to school must visit the office.

When dropping tamariki off at school the gate by the office is the only entry and will be open at 8:30am, we start school at 8:50am. At the end of the day we will exit by the office gate from 2:45pm. The best place to pick up tamariki is by parking in the KMART carpark. **Please do not drive up our driveway/staff carpark.**

Some other start of the year reminders are...

- Sun hats are needed in Term 1/4 (any sun hat is fine).
- Water bottles are needed for tamariki each day.
- Please make sure tamariki have their uniform and stationery labeled with their name.
- Free & Healthy lunches, free fruit (**Thank-you Kelston Countdown**) and healthy snacks (**Thank-you KidsCan**) are all available at school.
- We are not swimming at the moment to avoid any possible COVID-19 transmission.
- Our Breakfast Club is closed at Red.
- There will be no Bible-in-schools at Red

If you get the chance check out our new website... www.hendersonprimary.school.nz It is still needing some tidy ups and if you notice any mistakes please let me know.

I hope you had time this holiday season with your whānau that was relaxing and enjoyable. We look forward to all tamariki joining us for kanohi ki te kanohi/face to face learning in 2022.

If you have any concerns or questions please contact your child's teacher or me so we can help all tamariki to...

Face the future with confidence Kia matakite! Kia māia!

Tumuaki Tony



The Dental Unit is on site at Henderson Primary School. Before we can see the children in the unit, we need to do Covid 19 screening, dental clinicians will be contacting whānau to check tamariki are able to be screened. We also want to see any pre-schoolers, preferably before or after school. Call us or visit to make appointments. We look forward to meeting you.

Ph: 09 838 1817 Text: 021 417 790

Do we have your correct details?

Something we have learnt during COVID-19 is that some whānau need to update their contact details. It is vital that we can contact you if there is an emergency. Can you ensure we have your up-to-date contact details (phone/email/physical address). If these change let us know at the office. If you would prefer to receive your newsletter by email please let us know at the office.

How do you stay up-to-date with what is happening at HPS? Download our app, check out our webpage, Facebook or your emails !

If your child is absent for any reason please contact us ph8389667 or use the SKOOL Loop app.



Headlice may be present amongst children in your child's class. Take a peek once a week. Comb and tie hair up. Please contact the school for more information.

2022 SCHOOL DATES

TERM ONE

Thursday 3 February - School opens for tamariki - Term 1 starts

Friday 11 March - HPS Teacher Only Day

Thursday 14 April School closes - Term 1 ends

TERM TWO

Monday 2 May - School opens for tamariki - Term 2 starts

Friday 3 June - HPS Teacher Only Day

Monday 6 June - School closed for Queen's Birthday

Friday 24 June - School closed for Matariki

Friday 8 July - School closes - Term 2 ends

TERM THREE

Monday 25 July - School opens for tamariki - Term 3 starts

Friday 26 August - HPS Teacher Only Day

Friday 30 September School closes - Term 3 ends

TERM FOUR

Monday 17 October - School opens for tamariki-Term 4 starts

Monday 24 October - School closed for Labour Day

Friday 16 December - School closes - Term 4 ends