

OUR PLACE



our stories

Term 4, Week 6, 2024

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Week: 18th-22nd November 2024

Kia ora e te whanau, kumusta, ayubowan,

Pets At The End of the World

Friday 22nd November (today) is the final day to order our book written with the support of Author Ruth Shaw - "Stories from Hauroko Valley Primary School" at the price of \$25. However, these can still be ordered through the school, but will cost \$30. A bulk order will be put through mid-December. Don't delay, purchase your book today. These would make fabulous Christmas gifts for family.

Southland Golf Championships

Yesterday Oliver, Louie, Jonty, and Maddi competed in the Southland School's Golf Championships at Drummond Golf Course. It was wet and slightly cold, but they focused on their putting, chipping, and driving skills in the ambrose format. We are proud of their teamwork! Thanks to Jason for coaching, managing and transporting the team.

Jonty Carran Memorial Tackle 10's

Today the following students joined forces with Otautau Primary School to form a team to play in the Jonty Carran Memorial Tackle 10's Tournament. Female rugby players include - Maddi, Cassie, Libby, Sienna, Briar and our male rugby players included Fergal, Louie, Oliver, Jake, Sam, Tomas, and James. This tournament is a special feature on the sports calendar. We know our players feel privileged to be part of the day playing, to remember and celebrate Jonty. Thanks to our friends and family for supporting players. We also thank the girls coaches/managers - Rob, Chris and Scott for preparing the team for today's games. Thanks to Otautau Rugby Club and School for hosting and supporting our players.

Bannockburn Camp

Thank you to those that have returned forms to indicate what food you are able to supply for our Year 5&6 camp. All forms need to be returned by Monday 25th November for processing. For those who have returned forms, these will be coming home today. What is highlighted is confirmed for supply. Next week we have a meeting on Thursday 28th November from 2.20pm, in the staffroom as part of sharing the timetable of events and expectations of our students. It is advisable for all Year 5 parents to attend as it is a first camp for these learners.

Year 8 BIG Day Out

The Year 8's have planned a dry day plan and a wet day alternative for their BIG Day Out to celebrate their end of Primary School at HVP. Plan A involves heading to Te Anau with boating - ski biscuiting, water skiing, BBQ lunch and then dinner at La Toscana with pizza and pasta options. If the weather isn't looking promising for Friday 29th November, Plan B will take place in Invercargill. The line-up of activities includes the Escape Room, pizza for lunch, Jump n Fun and Laser Tag, Splash Palace, and to finish Sugar for dessert. Have fun together team, we look forward to seeing photos and hearing all about your day.

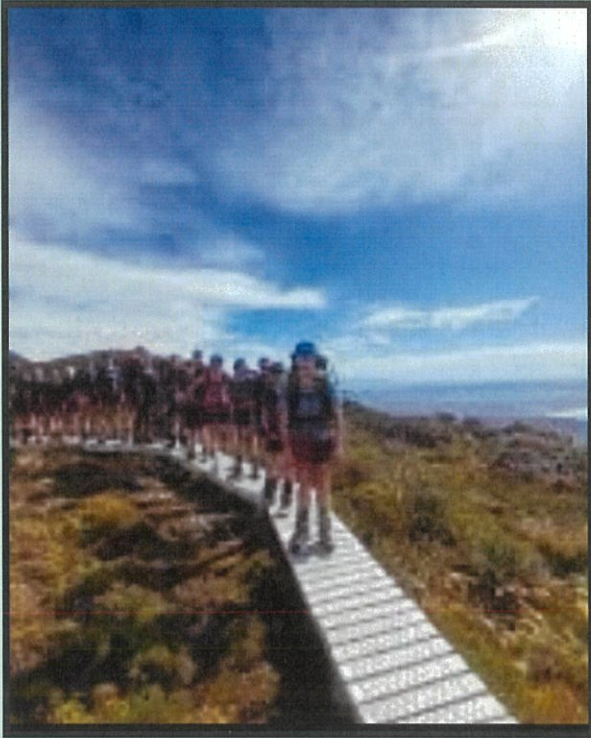
Production

All cast and crew in our Year 7&8 team are asked to bring clothes they think will work for costumes for their character next week. This helps us in knowing what we have and what we need to sort. As always our script evolves and so do the characters as we become more familiar with the narrative. Ideally all need to be off script, however this year, we have more characters, and more storyline, so will support our cast with strategies in learning lines, and we always have a prompt.

Ngā manaakitanga,
on behalf of the Hauroko Valley Primary School team
Julia Waikato, Principal/Tumuaki

BREAKING NEWS

RĀTĀ CLASS TACKLES THE HUMPRIDGE



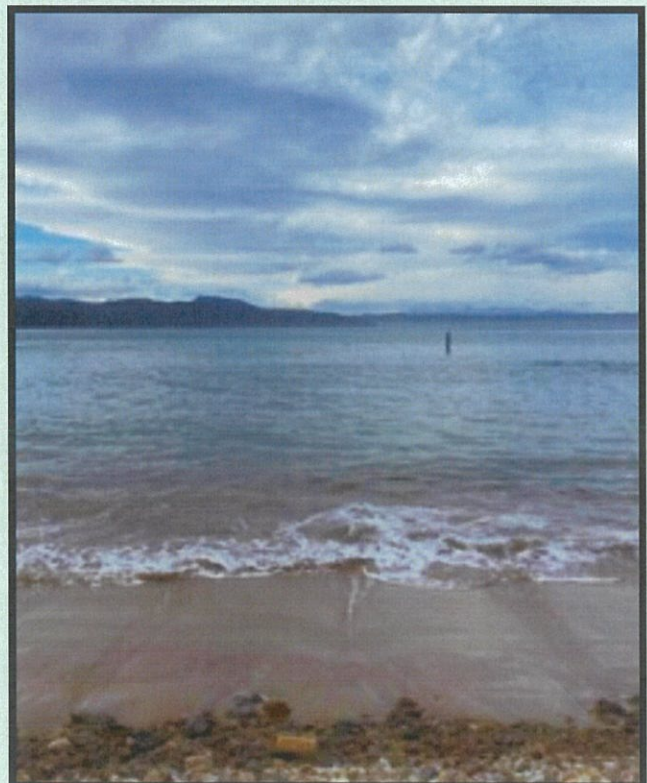
As we walked along the light brown board, I felt the sun beaming down on me. I looked around and saw an army of trees surrounded by an ocean as blue as the sky. I heard the chattering of my classmates buzzing around like little sandflies. I smelt the scrub all around me like a nice smelly stag. Then we dipped down the gully and back up to Luncheon Rock, my legs felt like they had been stabbed by a knife as we clambered up the steep stairs. In the distance, I heard a helicopter. It sounded like a fly. Then he approached and started flying around getting extra close, to get the perfect picture. As he flew off into the distance we made our way back to the track and continued our walk.

Sam Horrell

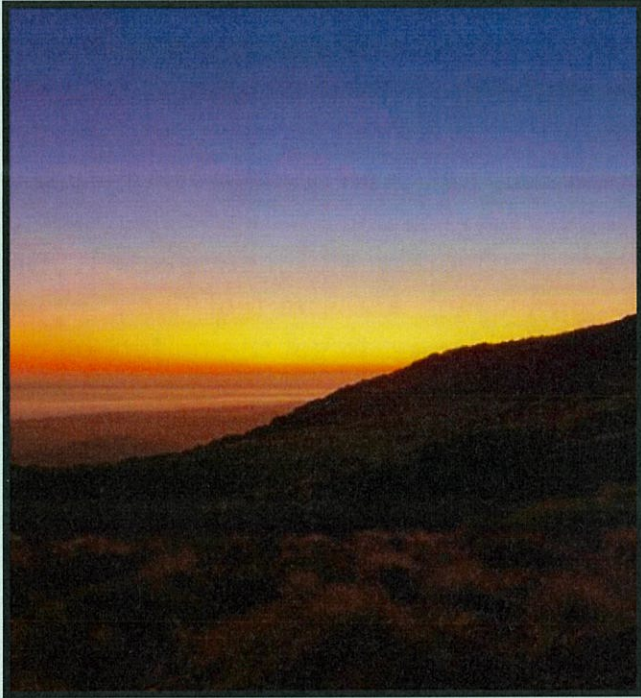
The swimming at Port Craig was the highlight for me. It was everything you would want and more after a long day walking. Although the water was freezing, it was still as refreshing as an ice block in 20 degree heat. Louie, Ollie, and I were trying to ride waves with the entire beach to ourselves, some rides went well, others didn't. After that, me and Tomas were searching for crabs. We then saw monstrous claws under a sharp rock. We struggled to get it out. We tried using sticks because we didn't want it to pinch off our fingers. Eventually, we got it out. It was massive for what it was.

I heard Mrs Harris calling us in. Reluctantly, I trotted over, and walked up the never ending stairs. That was a moment I will never forget.

BOE GRAY



MORE BREAKING NEWS



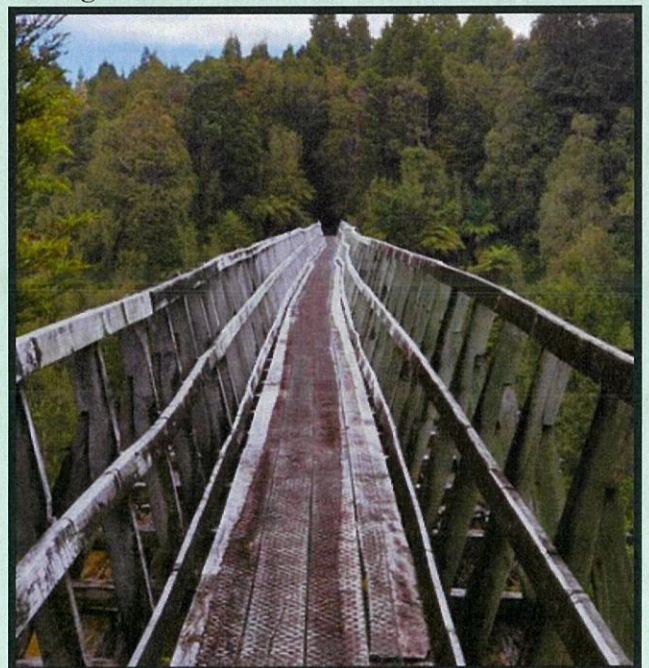
Daniel Horrell

I stepped on the bridge and looked down at the shining river flowing down and out to sea. It was only about 2 metres wide. The drop looked like it was a 2000 metre drop! The bridge was as wiggly as a dog's tail. I was feeling like the boards were going to snap because of their age. I grabbed onto the side rail for my life. My hands were sweating. I was trying to focus my mind on the trees' green swinging branches and stop looking at the river. I thought that it would be almost impossible to build this in the old days with just their hands and hand tools. Piece by piece of wood. Just imagine having to build it! No way I would do that. You would be hanging off one thin piece of wood and getting higher and higher until you make it to the top. This would be repeated for the whole viaduct.

Amazing!

Briar Smith

I shivered as I sat down on the boardwalk. The sky was watermelon pink, with ripples of lemon yellow plastering it. The sea was calm below, tired of its hard work day. The sun was quietly leaving, dipping below the horizon, shying away from me and hiding from the oncoming moon. I looked to my side and saw my mum walking towards me. She came and sat beside me. I was glad to share this moment with her. I looked back to the sky; the colours had dimmed, and my pink scalp was the only sign that the sun was ever there. Fog rolled in, like a blanket on the sea. Mum and I took in the view, it's truly beautiful at the top of the Hump Ridge.



HAUROKO VALLEY PRIMARY

The 2024 Year 8 Leavers Dinner was held on Friday 15th November in HVP's multi-purpose building. Each of our 11 students invited their families to share a meal and memories. The meal was catered by the Otautau Food Centre, with a delicious buffet thanks to Zain and Paige. This included ham, lamb, broccoli/cauliflower bake, potato bake, peas & carrots, a green salad and pasta salad for main. Dessert had the option of a chocolate mousse or white chocolate passionfruit cheesecake - yum! It was an enjoyable evening for our families, students and staff.



Students each presented a speech sharing their highlights, memories, and learning of their time at Hauroko Valley. Each speech was individualised with entertaining antidotes shared. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the entertaining sentiments. Highlights were HVP's camps - Borland Lodge, Bannockburn, Deep Cove, and the Hump Ridge Track. Several students mentioned the opportunities they know they have received in their time at HVP including sport, cultural, have a go, Technology, Waiau River Care Group, mouse escapades in the classroom, and starting school as a 5-year old. Mrs Dobson & Mrs Harris spoke about each learner and their qualities, before presenting a graduation certificate. To conclude Mrs Waikato gave her Principals Address which spoke to the Year 8's and the innovative contributions they have made to Hauroko Valley in their time with us. Photos of our Year 8's their friends and families were taken, as memory keepsakes of their special celebration. We will miss Axel, Briar, Sam, Paetyn, James, Lucy, Oliver, Sienna, Jake, and Libby. However, we know they will continue to seek out new challenges and adventures in life and learning. All the best for Year 9 and beyond!

2024 YEAR 8 LEAVERS

*James, Lucy, Jake, Briar, Oliver, Paetyn,
Axel, Sienna, Sam, Libby, Tomas*



I'd like to mention a few of our families that have finished their journey with us - to the Andersons, Miller, and Smith whanau. We thank you for the numerous contributions you have shared to Hauroko Valley School in your time with us. Know you are always a part of the HVP whanau and we look forward to reconnecting with you again soon.

Thank You each of our Year 8 leavers for being a wonderful part of our school community. You have made this year unforgettable. We are proud of you, and we can't wait to see all the amazing things you will accomplish in the future.

CONGRATULATIONS

DATES & EVENTS

2024 Term Dates

Term 4 - Monday 14th October - Friday 13th December

NOVEMBER

- Wednesday 27th November - Mitre 10 Tough Kids Years 4-6
- Wednesday 27th November - Adventure Race Year 7&8 teams
- Thursday 28th November - Discovery Time 1.30pm-3.00pm
- Friday 29th November - Year 8 Big Day Out
- Friday 29th November - Reports Go Home

DECEMBER

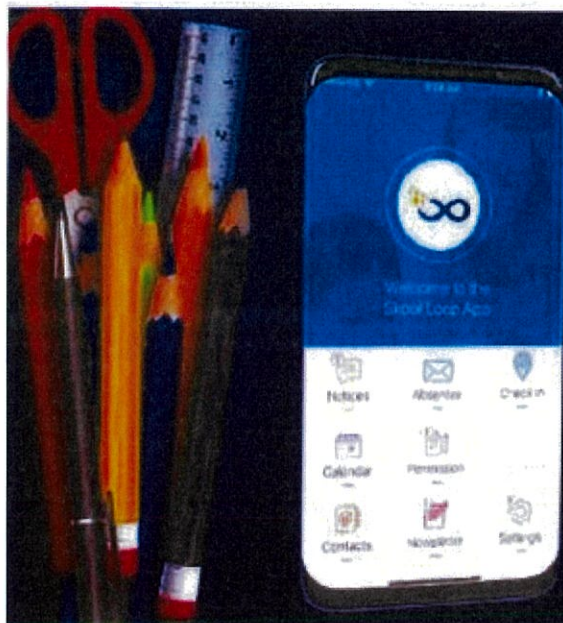
- Monday 2nd December - Tuesday 3rd December - Parent Teacher Interviews
- Wednesday 4th December - Friday 6th December - EOTC Year 5&6 Camp
- Monday 9th - 13th December - Water Safety Swimming at Tuatapere
- Wednesday 11th December - Production/Prize Giving at RSA Tuatapere
- Friday 13th December - Swimming Sports
- Friday 13th December - Last Day of School for students

SCHOOL NOTICES

Tui Base Camp

Friday Lunch Orders

- Sausage & Chips \$6
- Fish Bites & Chips \$5
- Pies \$6
- Chicken Nuggets & Chips \$5
- Chips \$3
- Bacon & Egg Sandwich \$6
- Dagwood (Salmon or Roast Beef) \$6
- Muffin \$5
- Cheese Roll \$3
- Scone \$5
- Sausage Roll \$5



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and her
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Wed 27th to Sat 30th November 2024 at 6.30pm
Sat 30th November & Sun 1st December Matinee 2.30 pm


Tickets are available from our website
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Door sales available.

2 Adults and 3 Children \$45.00
Adults \$18.00 Children \$8.00

Fruit Drinks... what's the deal?



Did you know 'Fruit Drinks' only need to have a minimum of 5% (5ml /100ml) fruit content? That means up to 95% could be added sugar, water, food acids, flavours and colours

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Have plain water and milk as everyday drinks

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TE WAHI TĀKARO O MOTUPŌHUE ADVENTURE PARK



OPENING DAY

Saturday 23 November, 2024 | 10am-2pm | Pearce St car park, Bluff

Bring your bike or gym shoes down as the biking and walking tracks will be open!
10am Opening ceremony - activities through to 2pm.
Guided bike rides for all cycling abilities - come on down and give it a go!
Free shuttle taking bikes and experienced riders to the top of Bluff Hill to try the advanced trails.

