

**Hauroko**  
VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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TERM 1, WEEK 3, 2025

# Newsletter

# Issue #3

## Week: 17th-21st February 2025

Kia ora e te whanau, kumusta, ayubowan,

Check out our 2025 Hauroko Valley Primary School Leaders and HVP House Leaders. We will include the range of leadership roles we have over the next few weeks.

### Life Education Bus

Harold and Teresa spent two days with us, where they delivered interactive and engaging Health Education in and around resiliency, linking to our identity theme for Term 1's inquiry learning. Resilience is the ability to adapt and to 'bounce back' when unexpected things happen. It is important for children to have support at home, as well as school to grow the following capabilities;

- emotional regulation, or the ability to keep calm and express emotions in a way that helps the situation
- impulse control, which involves the ability to make a conscious choice to act on a desire (or not), as well as to delay gratification and persevere
- the ability to analyse problems and identify causes
- empathy, or the ability to understand the feelings and needs of another person
- realistic optimism, or the ability to keep a positive outlook without denying reality
- self-efficacy, or the belief in one's ability to solve problems and handle stress
- opportunity-seeking, or the ability to take new opportunities and reach out to others

### Structured Literacy

Several staff have spent time at the latest Ministry of Education, Professional Development upskilling in Structured Literacy. This is to support our programmes as we delivery spelling and reading using evidence-based practice. Having most of our teaching and support staff trained, enables us to provide coverage to all stages of spelling. We are implementing exactly what we need to be to support our learners.

### Personal Digital Devices

Hauroko Valley Primary School does not recommend that students bring personal digital devices to school, other than bringing an approved BYOD e.g. chromebook. Next week we will update our BYOD contracts that our students need to cover with parents.

### Southland Secondary School Triathlon

Well done to our Year 7&8 individuals and teams who competed today in the Southland Secondary School Triathlon Championship. Thanks to our supporters and transport providers. We will update you with results next week.

### Interschool Athletics

Friday 28th February is our interschool athletics at Waiau Area School. Refer to the separate notice heading home today, and through Skool Loop.

### General

All classroom teachers are entitled to Classroom Release Time, with the equivalent of 5 days a Term. This is to primarily reduce workload and give our teaching staff time to plan, assess, and complete additional responsibilities. Tōtara class will have Mrs Waikato on Wednesday's. Rātā release will be covered by either Mrs Dobson or Mrs Harris to provide continuity. Mrs Bell will cover Mataī and Tōtara's release as part of CRT.

Mrs Erskine is taking leave for the rest of Term 1. Kōwhai class will continue to be in good hands with a dynamic teaching team. Mrs Woods will be in on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. We have Miss Vaughan on Friday and Monday will be covered by either Mrs Harris or Mrs Waikato. To keep everyone on the same page, please make contact with Julia for any inquiries - best to email [principal@haurokovalley.school.nz](mailto:principal@haurokovalley.school.nz) or ring to speak with me via 0274621287.

Ngā manaakitanga on behalf of the HVP team,  
Julia Waikato, Principal/Tumuaki

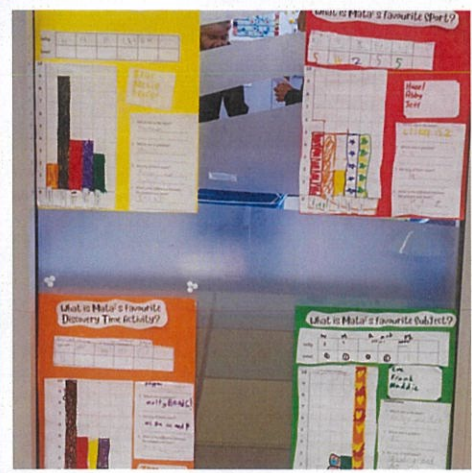


# MIGHTY MATAI

Term 1 Week 3 2025

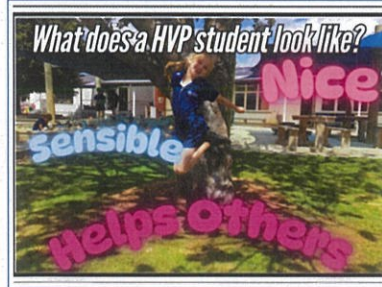
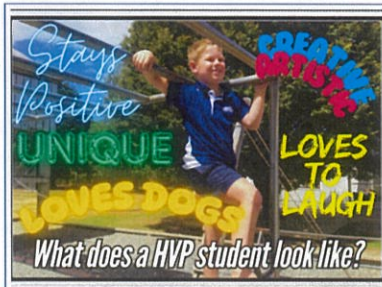


We've had a very busy first few weeks of Term 1 for Mighty Matai. Students have started the term by completing their "All About Me" journals as part of our identity learning. These contain pages about who we are, what we look like, and who is in our family? We also have pages about our favourite foods, movies, books, and animals. The remaining pages students are using to collect copies of their work from this term! Matai have their first extra entry with their Visual Arts poster on "What does a HVP student look like?" full with amazing qualities important to our Matai students.



In Statistics, Matai have been learning about statistical investigations. How to solve a problem or answer a specific question by following the statistical inquiry cycle. Students will pose a problem, make a prediction, and collect data to find their answer.

Matai have been training hard for athletics this term, they have been practising at different stations to strengthen their fundamental movement skills in each area. Long jump and high jump stations have been a big hit with our class so far!

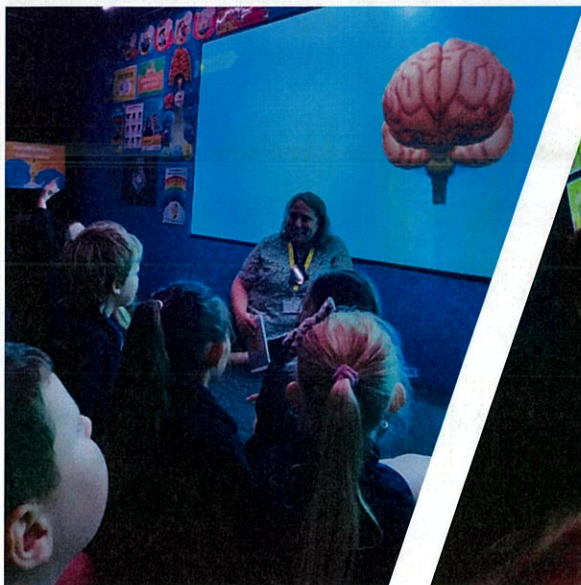


# LIFE ED. BUS

---MIGHTY MATAĪ---



Last week at HVP we were visited by Harold and the Life Education Bus Team. Our topic this year was Resilience. Matai students worked together to solve jig saw puzzles, discussed using their W.I.T.S. to handle conflict, and learned how resilience can be strengthened like a muscle! We also learned about the brain and the lungs and how these function in our bodies. Finishing off the two day experience with a terrific dance party! Ka pai te mahi team!



# HVP School Leaders

Cassie

Boe



Fergal

Maddi



# HVP House Leaders



# DATES & EVENTS

**Term 1 - Monday 3rd February - Friday 11th April**

**Term 2 - Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June**

**Public holidays: King's Birthday - Monday 2 June &  
Matariki Friday - 20 June**

**Term 3 - Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September**

**Term 4 - Monday 6 October - Friday 19 December**

**Public holiday: Labour Day - Monday 27 October**

## FEBRUARY

- Tuesday 25th February - Mitey with Coach Belinda in classes
- Wednesday 26th February - Technology Year 7&8
- Thursday 27th February - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 28th February - HVP & WAS Athletics

## MARCH

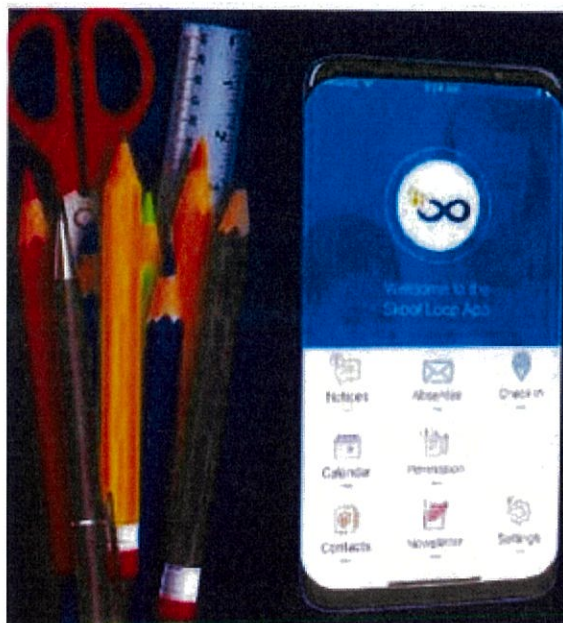
- Tuesday 4th March - Wood Is Good Sessions (Forestry)
- Tuesday 4th March - Active Southland Richie in for class sessions
- Wednesday 5th March - Kōwhai Class REAP Movement Session at WAS
- Thursday 6th March - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 7th March - Rātā Assembly
- Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th March - Bike Safety
- Wednesday 12th March - Technology Year 7&8
- Thursday 13th March - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Saturday 15th March - Blackmount Trail Ride
- NB: Monday 17th March - Western Athletics
- Tuesday 18th March - Hockey Skills with Activator Programme all classes
- Wednesday 19th March - Technology Year 7&8
- Thursday 20th March - Discovery Time 1.30 pm - 3.00 pm
- Friday 28th March - Tōtara Assembly
- Friday 28th March - Shed Shout/Pot Luck Tea in MPB for School Community

# 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 \$6
- Muffin \$5
- Cheese Roll \$3
- Scone \$5
- Sausage Roll \$5



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'Skool Loop' & choose our  
organisation once installed.

## School Account

If paying accounts by  
internet banking,  
please do so to

Hauroko Valley Primary School

Westpac:

03 1748 0030028 000

To see your child's account, download the Hero App. Register with your email address that we have for you in our records.





## Consent information YEAR SEVEN VISION SCREENING

The Vision Hearing Technicians from Health New Zealand Te Whatu Ora - Southern will be visiting your school to screen all year seven students for distance vision shortly.

### Screening Provided:

**Distance Vision (Amblyopia & Hyperopia)**

This determines how well your child can see at a distance. It involves reading an eye chart.

The screening results will be given to your child, and a Vision technician will be in contact to discuss any further action, if required.

**If your child WEARS Glasses or is UNDER CARE** for their eyes, there is no need to fill in an Opt Out form.

We will ask each class if there is anyone already wearing glasses or under care.

- Please let your child know to tell us prior to screening.

They will be given a notification slip to take home. **These children are NOT screened.**

By sharing this consent information, we are providing the opportunity for you to Opt out of our screening programme.

**If you do not wish your child to be screened, please fill out an opt-out slip, which are available at the school office before our visit.**

This will be collected from the office and recorded on the ENROL data system.

**What happens to your child's screening information?** The vision results are recorded on the Ministry of Education data system – ENROL.

This information will also be saved on our Health New Zealand Te Whatu Ora – Southern health management system. You can access your child's information by contacting the Vision Hearing Screening team on [visionhearing@southerndhb.govt.nz](mailto:visionhearing@southerndhb.govt.nz) or contacting Patient Enquiries:

- Phone: Consumer Experience Feedback Team, phone (03) 214 5738
- E-mail: [feedback@southerndhb.govt.nz](mailto:feedback@southerndhb.govt.nz)
- Website: [www.southerndhb.govt.nz](http://www.southerndhb.govt.nz)

All staff with access to this documentation adhere to the Health Information Privacy Code.

**Health New Zealand**  
Te Whatu Ora

Vision Hearing Team

0800885504

[visionhearing@southerndhb.govt.nz](mailto:visionhearing@southerndhb.govt.nz)

# COMMUNITY NOTICES



## SOUTHLAND A&P SHOW

Saturday 1st March  
Donovan Park



### SCARECROW Creations

Sections include: 0-4 Years, 5-11 Years and 12-17 Years. Check out our schedule of classes online to see further details!



### HOME Industries

Be sure to check out the schedule of classes, there is literally something for everyone to be involved in!



### COLOURING Competition

Our colouring competitions are on our website for children to complete if they wish.



## 2025 Southland Schools Swimming Champs

Sunday 6th April 2025

Splash Palace, Invercargill (Short Course)

| EVENTS |  |
|--------|--|
| 1      | 4 x 50m Medley Relay (Boys Year 9 – 13)    |
| 2      | 4 x 50m Medley Relay (Girls Year 9 – 13)   |
| 3      | 4 x 50m Medley Relay (Years 7 – 8)         |
| 4      | 4 x 25m Medley Relay (Year 6 & Under)      |
| 5      | 50m Backstroke (11 Years Old & Over)       |
| 6      | 25m Backstroke (10 Years Old & Under)      |
| 7      | 50m Breaststroke (11 Years Old & Over)     |
| 8      | 25m Breaststroke (10 Years Old & Under)    |
| 9      | 50m Butterfly (11 Years Old & Over)        |
| 10     | 25m Butterfly (10 Years Old & Under)       |
| 11     | 50m Freestyle (11 Years Old & Over)        |
| 12     | 25m Freestyle (10 Years Old & Under)       |
| 13     | 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay (Girls Year 7 – 8) |
| 14     | 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay (Boys Year 7 – 8)  |
| 15     | 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay (Year 6 & Under)   |
| 16     | 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay (Years 7 – 8)      |

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Registered as a Swimmer?  | Enter through Fastlane       |
| Not a registered swimmer? | Contact your school to enter |

For more information check out our website [www.southlandapshow.co.nz](http://www.southlandapshow.co.nz)

Find us on Facebook  
admin@southlandapshow.co.nz

## MOVEMENT FOR LEARNING

For Preschoolers

### Western Southland @Tuatapere

DATE: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

TIME: Preschoolers  
10.30am – 12pm  
Junior Class  
12.30pm – 1.30pm

COST: Free of charge

Venue: Waiuu Area School  
Gym  
47 Orawia Road  
Tuatapere

These interactive, movement based sessions are based on the Perceptual Motor Programme (PMP) where children learn through movement.

PMP uses a variety of movement based physical experiences to build gross and fine motor abilities, hand eye co-ordination, concentration, language and many other skills that are important for a child's development.

There will be a respectful and inspiring play space for children of all ages and stages of mobility. Using heuristic items and loose parts, invitations of play will set the scene for curiosity, exploration and discovery.

"A haven for sensory nourishment."

This event presents an opportunity for community whānau to unite, connect and support each other.

"Whakawhānaungatanga"



## SWIM - SLIDE - SCOOT - BIKE - RUN



SUNDAY  
13 April  
2025



FROM 8:30AM - SPLASH PALACE AND RUGBY PARK

Individual and team options available for 6-10yrs and 11-14yrs  
Mini Splash and Dash - Splash and Dash - Triathlon



Every child over 120cm tall can add in a slide down the hydroside as part of their event

## Win a Class Entry

Win entry for your whole class to KidsTRY 2025.

Tell us WHY your class deserves to win and go into the draw to win free entry for your whole class.

Entries to be sent to [southlandtrimulticlub@gmail.com](mailto:southlandtrimulticlub@gmail.com) by 7 March 2025 and the winning class will be announced on 10 March 2025.



For more details, please contact  
Southern REAP email:  
[maree@reap.co.nz](mailto:maree@reap.co.nz) or 027 732 7323



# IN SCHOOL LESSONS



# MUSIC

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Do you want to learn how to be a ROCKSTAR? Sign up for in-school music lessons today!

Whether you're a beginner or looking to sharpen your skills, our lessons offer a fun and supportive environment to learn. Don't miss out on the opportunity to develop your passion for music—join us today!

SIGN UP  
HERE



## Opening Event

Community Sing - Our Songs Our Stories  
Saturday 1st March 2025, 2.30 pm  
First Church, Tay Street, Invercargill

We launch Heritage Month 2025 with a very special community event for all ages. Join us in the historic First Church for an afternoon tea, and a good old-fashioned family sing-a-long with musical maestro and choral director, Sally Bodkin-Allen leading us in renditions of popular songs from the past.

A free family-friendly event, though a koha is appreciated.

Do let us know if you're coming to this event by emailing [events@heritagesouth.nz](mailto:events@heritagesouth.nz) by Wednesday 26th February.

