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Kia Ora Bonjour

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Ni hao

Kia orana

## WEEKLY UPDATES

## Week of: 22nd - 26th August

Kia ora whanau,

This week we've had a beaut few days of Poetry and Speech Presentations. Each year we are impressed by the standards of presentation as students confidently memorise their poems, utilize eye contact, and project voices. Thanks to our supporters - families and friends for joining us. We also would like to acknowledge the support of Guest Judges Richard & Jen.

Today at our Western Cluster Speech Finals with Waiau Area School, St Patricks, Nightcaps, and Otautau Primary Maddi, Harry, Paetyn, and Lucy competed in their respective year groups. They were impressive with their speech talents and represented HVP with excellence. Congratulations to Lucy, Paetyn, and Harry who go on to the Area Speech Final at Lumsden on Tuesday 6th September 6.30 pm.

Several of our Year 7&8 girls are training each Tuesday and Thursday afternoon for rugby as part of an initiative to support the development of this sport. Thanks to the combined efforts of HVP and WAS and a special thanks to Coaches - Damon, Chris, and Rob.

Next week we have a Teachers Only Day on Friday 2nd September so an extended weekend for our families as school is closed. Our TOD is to provide Professional Development to develop our Structured Literacy journey.

Nga mihi, Julia





### Poetry Recital

We have been busy learning our poems for the poetry recital. Our focus for this is for the children to confidently stand up in front of an audience and recite a poem. We have focused on our pace - not too fast, slow or singing. Making eye contact with our audience, keeping our heads up and Volume = being loud enough for everyone to hear but not too loud to scare. Each and Every child did so well learning their poems and practising in class, for some it was very scary in front of a big audience but everyone did an AMAZING job.



SCIENCE FUN - THIS TERM WE HAVE BEEN EXPLORING WITH CHANGE IN STATE. TO FINISH UP OUR LEARNING ON THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES WE HAVE CREATED OUR OWN MEDALS USING SALT DOUGH



# Balaclava Highway

Slowly, I turned the tight corner with care; keeping my beady eyes open for danger. My car lights pierced into the darkness of the cave. I had only just started my journey across the Balaclava Highway and I was already a mess. I had sweat running down my forehead, my knuckles were white and I could feel my bones rattling underneath my damp skin.

The engine whirred and the car slowly slid along the crumbling gravel road. My tire suddenly slipped under a stone, I pushed my foot down hard on the brake; my tire squealed and slipped under the pressure. My heart pounded roughly against my rib cage. I breathed deeply out my nose and resisted the urge to look down the deep ravine below. Although petrified, I steadily pushed on, there was no turning back.

# By Lily E

# Deep Sea Battle

The sea is rough but I grab my rod and put on my belt.

I use a J hook and put on a chunk of blue cod. I drop the lure.

Splash, the lure drops. I look at the depth finder and it says I am

100 feet. I wait, then tug, tug, the rod bobs then the line starts

to pull out. I start winding but this fish is not giving up.

He pulls back; it's a neck-on-neck battle.

But, in the end, there can be only one winner and I have a massive blue cod. The battle has ended but the war has just

begun, now for the next one.

# Digging For Toheroas

My hand curls around the cold, steel door handle. I pull and then release the handle it immediately retracts. The door bolts open. A gust of Southerly wind greets the side of my cheek. Salt rides the wind, trickling into my wound. I lift my foot out and place it on the sand. My gumboot protects me from the grainy winter underneath. I trudge over to Terresa. The wind howls and whistles in my ear. Slowly more and more people start to arrive. Terresa talks to us a bit about the Toheroa; why it is special and how we can keep it protected. Then it's action time, we all search the ground for two little holes. I look around, people drop to their knees digging as fast as they can. I finally find a sweet spot. My knees hit the cold sticky sand, my knees are damp and my hands are cold. I start to excavate the area, my fingers working hard to extract the sand. I slowly get deeper and deeper. My hands are cold and ache in pain. I hit something hard, it's a shell. I slowly dig around it as it wrestles its way deeper into the sand. Frantic to find refuge but it finally reveals itself as a Toheroa. I pull it out. Sand slides off its body. Its hard shell grazes my hand, my finger glides across the slimy tongue as it slithers back into the shell. I glanced at the siphons. They slowly retract back into their chamber, they seem to look at me in anger and desperation. I feel proud knowing my quest is completed.

By Oliver D

# YEAR 0-3

#### POETRY RECITALS



Congratulations to our Year 1 students for their amazing first year presenting nursery rhymes or poems to share with Kowhai, Matai and your families. Well done!

YEAR 1

1st = Aoife

2nd = Eve

3rd = Alex Eg

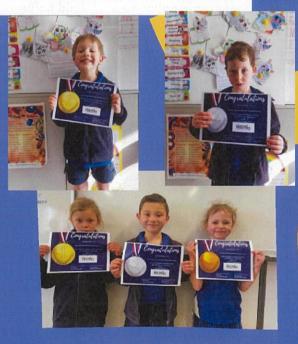
Very Highly Commended 
George

#### YEAR 2

1st = Della & Alex Ed 2nd = Tane & Bill 3rd = Lauren

#### YEAR 3

1st = Stanley
2nd = Hadlee
3rd = Jack M
Very Highly Commended Cohen





## **2022 YEAR 4**

#### SPEECH FINALS

#### **SPEECH TOPICS**

Our 18 Year 4 students presented their speeches to the Year 4&5 class and family on Tuesday 23rd August. There was a variety of topics that informed, persuaded or entertained.

We were impressed with the depth of thought and powerful messages shared.

#### SPEECH DELIVERY

The delivery of speeches is important with eye contact and an expressive face. Also, how well the voice is used to show a suitable speed, volume and tone. The use of cards, gestures and stance is also considered. Several were clever in their memorisation of their speech topic.

#### **WELL DONE**

2022 is the first year for our Year 4 learners to develop the content for their speech and present to an audience.

Several eager writers and presenters have already selected a topic for 2023.

We are incredibly proud of their first year and can't wait to see what next year brings!









## **Year 5&6**

#### SPEECH FINALS







1ST - LUCY

2ND - PAETYN

3RD - BOE & LIBBY

Eight students including Paetyn, Louie, Maddi, Boe, Libby, Ollie, Briar and Lucy, from our Year 5&6's, competed in Hauroko Valley Primary Schools 2022 Speech Finals. The skill shown by our students was impressive with well-organized ideas linking from the introduction through to the conclusion. At this level students considered their audience ensuring they informed, persuaded, and entertained.

The final was a tough call for Judges Jen and Richard as they had a variety of content, delivery, and originality to consider in the decision-making.

Congratulations to each finalist for their achievements in securing a place in the final.

**VHC - OLLIE** 

# YEAR 788

#### SPEECH FINALS

Ka rawe tamaraiki. At this level our students are making deliberate choices in the selection of their topic content, vocabulary and style of writing to suit the audience.

This year we were thoroughly informed, persuaded and entertained with a few speeches covering both.

Sophisticated thinking was shared that at times challenged us to take action, consider.

Congratulations to the following students that competed in the Year 7&8 Hauroko Valley Primary School Speech Finals.

#### Year 7

Cormac, Hugo, Elly, George, Katie, Sierra

#### Year 8

Harry, Maddi, Addi

Thanks to our Guest Judges Jen and Richard who were tasked with selecting two students to represent HVP at the Western Cluster Final.







# H.V.P's Happenings

## Term 3, 2022

#### Monday 25th July - Friday 30th September

- 31st August Technology Year 7&8
- 2nd September Teachers Only Day
- 7th September Technology Year 7&8
- 9th September Totara Assembly
- 19th September Board Meeting 7.30pm
- 21st September Technology Year 7&8
- 23rd September Rata Assembly
- 28th September SMAC Maths Year 7&8
- 30th September End of Term 3

## Reading Feature

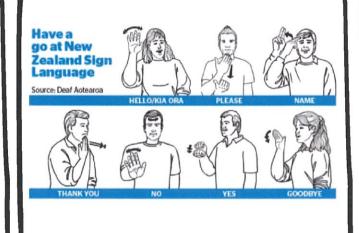
A sweet and quirky story about a child who is stuck carrying around an **elephant**, wondering if they will ever feel light and free again. This heartwarming story has been written to help tamariki cope with carrying a heavy weight on their chest-represented by an elephant. They wonder what they can do to shift this weight and seek advice from their whānau who try to help.







### NZ Sign Language



**ALWAYS OUR BEST** 

# General

### **LUNCH ORDERS**



#### Friday Lunch Orders

Fish Bites & Chips \$5 Chips \$3 Chicken Nuggets & Chips \$5 Ham & Salad Sandwich \$5 Bacon & Egg Sandwich \$5 Muffin \$4 Cheese Roll \$2.50 Dagwood (ham or roast beef) \$6 Sausage Roll \$5 Mince, Chicken, Venison Pie \$6



### **HVP SCHOOL ACCOUNTS**

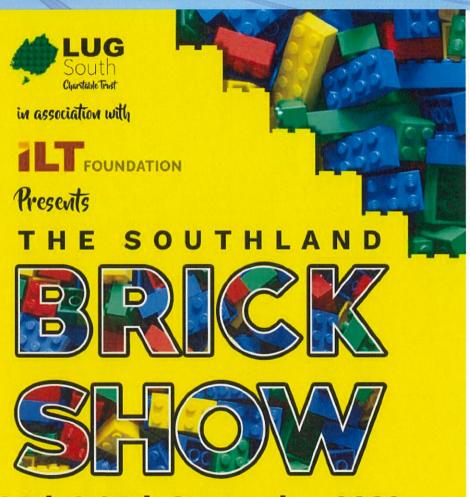
#### **School Account**

If paying accounts by internet banking, please do so to Hauroko Valley Primary School Westpac: 03 1748 0030028 000



## COMMUNITY NOTICES

Waiau Swimming Club Tuatapere
is gearing up for our 2022/2023 season
and to help us plan we would appreciate it
if anyone intending to
attend lessons could complete
the following short survey as linked below.
Survey link: https://forms.gle/JLUM5STcnN8nrLYTA



**24th & 25th September 2022** 

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Thanks to Mighty Meats, Invercargill

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MCCALLUMS GROUP

To all those wonderful school families...

Thank you so much for all those fantastic meals and wonderful baking.

What a treat and a surprise that will make lambing so much easier. Your efforts are so appreciated.

Rosanne, Pete, Tia & Felix