

Halsey Drive School Newsletter

Term 2 Issue 6 : 9 May 2018

2018 Term Dates

Term 2 : 30 April - 6 July

Term 3 : 23 July - 28 September

Term 4 : 15 October - 20 December

Calendar of Events - Term 2

16 May Science in a Van
22 May Year 6 Camp
23 May Year 6 Camp
24 May Year 6 Camp
28 May Samoan language week
29 May Samoan language week
30 May Samoan language week
31 May Samoan language week
01 June Samoan language week
Hearing & Vision Testing

04 June Queen's Birthday

12 June Zone Football
14 June Zone Football (SD)
15 June Matariki begins
26 June Zone Mixed Hockey
27 June Gymnastics Fun Festival
Waikowhai Exp Day (Yr 6)

28 June Zone Hockey (SD)

04 July 3-Way Conferences : 2-6.15 pm

05 July 3-Way Conferences : 2-6.15 pm

06 July END OF TERM 2

(School Closes 3.00 pm)

Full School Assembly - Term 2

Week 2 Room 21
Week 4 Room 5
Week 6 Room 15
Week 8 Room 19
Week 10 Room 7

Science in a Van - Year 0-5

Wednesday 16 May

Please make the payment for
this event via Kindo.
\$4.10

Message from the Principal

A very warm welcome back to Term 2, and a special welcome to our new students and parents/caregivers. We trust you had a safe, enjoyable and relaxing holiday break.

A very warm welcome to our new children and their parents:

*Mackenzie Hamblyn, Romeo Tuli Della Valle,
Naymit Harish, Daniyal Azhar, Noya Azhar,
Maheera David, Jai Akilandeswari Jaisabarinath,
Ga-Eun Kim, Mateo Tiongo & Lewis Liu*

Have your say....

I would encourage you to have your say regarding the government review on the NZ education system.

The online survey is the only way many of us are able to pass on our views as the Education Summits are either invitation only or have a cap on 700 participants only.

It's important that parents, teachers, even students themselves, are able to share their views on how the government builds a better education system.

The website is: www.conversation.education.govt.nz

Please be reminded classrooms do not open until 8:30 am. Children are not to play on the playground before this time. If you need to drop your children to school early SKIDs provide before school care.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Toy Sale. We raised \$234.50 which will go towards new sandpit toys.

When dropping your child/ren after 8:30 am please remember not to park in the 2 minute zones if you would like to walk into the school grounds with them. This is a pick up and drop off zone only.

Scroll down for The Writing Hall of Fame



A black digital watch was handed in last Term. Please enquire at the office if you think this may be yours.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH NOTICES

1. Prevent the spread of common winter illnesses

With winter approaching, take a look at the Ministry of Health's website for information about how you can prevent the spread of common winter illnesses such as [flu](#) and [colds](#) at your school.

<https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/influenza>

<https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/colds>

2. Measles

As students return from the Term 1 holidays, the Ministry of Health is reminding schools to be aware of the risks of measles.

Over the past month, measles cases have been reported in Canterbury, the Southern District Health Board region, Nelson-Marlborough, Hamilton and Auckland.

Immunisation – the best protection against measles and it is free!

Immunisation is the best protection against measles and to be effective, people need to have two measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccinations.

Anyone who is unsure if they are fully immunised against measles can be vaccinated for free at their GP.

GENERAL ADVICE

1. Anyone who is not immunised and gets exposed to a confirmed case of measles will need to stay home for at least 14 days to ensure the virus doesn't spread.
2. Anyone who suspects they may have measles should avoid contact with other people, especially those who aren't fully immunised, and should phone their GP before visiting. It is important to call first because measles is highly infectious, and people with measles can infect others in the waiting room.

Further information and advice is available from:

Healthline on 0800 611 116
0800 IMMUNE (0800 466 863)
Or the Ministry of Health website

HALSEY DRIVE WRITING HALL OF FAME

We would like to share and celebrate some of the amazing writing that has been happening across the school.

Writing to describe. Inspired by the storm last weekend.



Last night I saw lightning. It was flashing in the storm.
Written by Oceanna

My car was shaking in the wind. Trees went down. The rain was pouring.

Written by Muhammad

The storm was booming, the rain was pouring down.

Written by Azal

The thunder god was loud and scary!

Written by Zarar

My fence was broken, my house was shaking. The thunder was booming. My light was flickering on and off. The rain was pouring!

Written by Keng Shen

Writing to entertain. Inspired by favourite foods.

Watery Watermelon

I eagerly slice the green watermelon and bring it to the table. Before I gobble it, I take the dark, black seeds and put them on my plate. When the juice drips into my mouth, it gives a juicy taste. Finally, I munch it up.

Written by Molly



The children have been learning to use specific nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs.



Pizza

As I stare at my delectable pizza, I imagine how it tastes. The spice of the pepperoni spreads through my mouth. Eagerly, I eat my mouthwatering pizza. The curvy mozzarella cheese has an odd taste but I love it. I crunch the crispy crust. Lovely tomato sauce rubs my tongue. Softly, the bacon swims through my mouth. Glossy, cream cheese slides down my throat.

Written by Seth

Writing to inform. Using specific nouns and verbs.

How to Grow Rice

Rice belongs to the grass family. Also, rice is a type of grain. It is a cereal that we use for food.

Planting Rice

In the paddy field where the rice is grown, it is flooded with muddy water. Oxen plough the new field ready for the rice. The rice is planted in spring. Seedlings are planted in rows.

Harvesting the Rice

Rice is harvested in the burning hot summer. The stalks turn bright yellow and the rice heads are ripe. Then they gather and cut the rice stalks. The threshing machine separates the grain from the stalks.

Drying Rice

They tip the rice grain onto the side of the road to dry in the burning hot sun. Trucks, bikes, people and cars trample over the rice. When the rice is totally dry, they put it in the milling machine, crushing the grain. Now it is ready to cook.

Written by Angela

OUR COMMUNITY CONTACTS



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8.00am - 6.00pm Mon to Fri
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35 The Avenue
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- 3 See us for your **FREE** orthodontic consultation.

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