

# Halsey Drive School Newsletter

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## 2019 Term Dates

Term 3: 22 July - 27 September  
Term 4: 14 October - 20 December

## Calendar of Events - Term 3

29 Aug Full School Assembly  
30 Aug: School Cross Country  
03 Sept: Zone Rugby  
05 Sept: Zone Rugby (Save Day)  
12 Sept: Gymnastics Champion of Champions (TriStar)  
16 Sept: BOT Meeting  
20 Sept: Junior Poetry Recital - 9.15 am  
27 Sept: **End of Term 3 (School closes at 3.00 pm)**

## Halsey Drive Oral Language Competition

Last Thursday we held our annual oral language competition. As well as the traditional persuasive speeches, this year some Year 5 and 6 students also presented spoken word poems about issues that meant something to them. Both the speeches and the poems were written by the students themselves. Year 4 students focused on persuasive speeches only. The results took a long time to decide as all of the speakers did an amazing job and this made it extremely challenging for the judges.

The winner of the Year 4 competition was Amal Krishnan. His speech topic was why we should stop building robots. In third place in the Year 5 and 6 competition was Angel Leaupepe-Nickel, who spoke about the importance of family. In second place was Amelie Skeates, who performed a spoken word poem about her views on the future and in first place was Aamnah Zarrouk who performed an original poem about what success means.

Both Angel (in the speeches section) and Aamnah (in the spoken word poetry section) will go onto the next stage and compete against speakers from other local schools. We wish them all the best.

Welcome to Safal Timilsina, Hibba Zahra, Anirudhsai Tudi & Cynthia Jian who started at our school recently.

## Lockdown review

You may have seen in the media the findings of a report made on school lockdown procedures after the Christchurch tragedy in March. We, along with many other schools, reviewed our procedures.

We do not hold Lockdown drills as a whole school as we do for fire. This is because Ministry advice suggests it is too frightening for children. We prefer practices at the class level, much as we do for Earthquake drills. Teachers practise safe seating with their children and check security of doors and windows. We have re written our procedures to ensure they are simple to remember. We have thought about toileting, and access to water for children.

We have been supplied with an extra function on our school app which will alert the community if we have been told by police to go into lockdown. This has kindly been paid for by local businesses. Hopefully we will never have to use it but in the event we do, please, as hard as it may be, ... do not come to school as children will not be released until the police give us permission.

## Measles in Auckland schools

The only way to protect your family is to make sure they are vaccinated or immune.

Please see your doctor now to catch up on missed vaccinations. They are FREE at your GP.

If your children are vaccinated, they won't need to stay at home if there is measles at your school.

Keep your child at home if they are sick and watch out for symptoms:

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If you or your children show symptoms please stay at home and call your doctor or Healthline (0800 611 116) for advice.

Measles info at: [aphs.health.nz/measles](http://aphs.health.nz/measles)

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## OUT OF ZONE BALLOT

Halsey Drive School will be holding a ballot for **Year 0/1** students who would be starting school in **Term 1 2020 - 30 June 2020** (any child accepted in this ballot will start school in **2020**, even if they turn 5 years old this year).

**Applications close on Monday, 23 September 2019 (no later than 3.00 pm) and the ballot drawn on Friday, 27 September 2019.**

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

*We are starting to see some non-regulation clothing at school, i.e. skivvys, tights, coloured socks etc - please check the uniform code below.*

*Also some children are coming to school with several layers of clothing under their uniform. Our classrooms have excellent heating and the polar fleece jacket is perfect for outside. Children can overheat, particularly younger children as they do not self regulate.*

*Please ensure all clothing is named and would you mind checking to see that it is your child's name, not someone else's, on their clothing? Thank you.*

## HALSEY DRIVE SCHOOL - UNIFORM CODE

Uniform can **ONLY** be purchased through Argyle Online. Please use the link under "Uniform" on our website: [www.halseydrive.school.nz](http://www.halseydrive.school.nz)

If for any reason your child cannot wear the uniform for the day, please send a note to the class teacher.

### GIRLS UNIFORM

- Jade green polo shirt with school insignia.
- Jade green sweatshirt with school insignia.
- Navy culottes or navy bootleg pants with school insignia. Navy sun hat with school insignia.
- Navy polar fleece jacket with school insignia.

### BOYS UNIFORM

- Jade green polo shirt with school insignia.
- Jade green sweatshirt with school insignia.
- Navy shorts or trousers with school insignia.
- Navy sun hat with school insignia.
- Navy polar fleece jacket with school insignia.

### FOOTWEAR CODE

- Shoes (either black leather shoes or sports shoes) to be predominantly BLACK or WHITE (No fluoro, no coloured laces).
- Sandals should have an ankle strap (e.g. roman or reef sandals). Sandals to be black or white.
- Footwear must be low-heeled and suitable for running/playing.
- Socks (below the knee or ankle) - navy, black or white ONLY.

### OTHER ITEMS

- Jewellery: NO jewellery other than watches.
- Girls may wear small stud earrings ONLY. Any other jewellery required to be worn for cultural/religious reasons to be discussed with the Principal.
- All hair accessories to be navy, black or white.
- Uniform must be neat, clean and tidy at all times.

### ITEMS NOT TO BE WORN

- Leggings or tights are NOT part of the school uniform.
- NO T-shirts or skivvies to be visible under polo shirts.

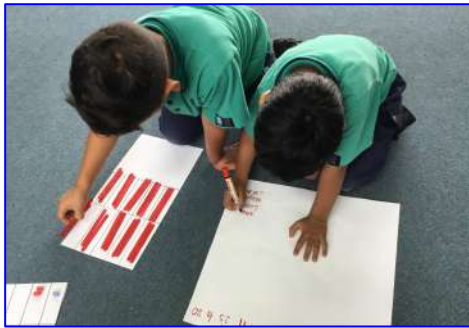




The move from teacher-directed activities to those that encourage student ownership and give children 'the power to act'.

Spotlight on Room 17 - Year 1

Room 17 are learning to record the way they solve Mathematical questions in visual ways. This is hands on with the children using materials to show their thinking. The children use learning packs to help them practice new skills. They can select from a range of activities then work with the teacher to tick these off their Numeracy Checklist. When new ways to solve a problem are mastered they are ticked off on a checklist so that both the student and teacher can track their learning.



## Chess zones

Halsey Drive Chess team competed on Thursday the 22 August in the Chess Zones at Hillsborough Primary. They represented us proudly and competed well against the other schools. Thanks to Elaine Lu for spending the day supervising the team. Well done team! A huge thank you to John and David who come in each Monday lunchtime to work with our chess club.



# HALSEY DRIVE WRITING WALL OF FAME

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

I went to Ambury farm  
and I saw some  
animals. I liked the pig.



Eshal

We went to Ambury  
farm. I patted the pig  
and the pig was big  
and fat. Next we went  
to feed the sheep. The  
cow licked my hand  
and I went to the  
shearing shed. The milk  
came out on our  
clothes and we went to  
feed the calf.

Tiffany

We went to Ambury farm.  
First we went to the  
milking shed. Next we  
went to the shearing shed.  
I went down the shute.



Zahra

Orange is a fruit  
Yellow is hot chips  
Green is my favourite  
vegetable broccoli  
And brown is mud

Purple are the balloons  
Blue is the jelly bean table  
Black is my hair  
And red is blood.

By Yasir

Orange is a sunset that goes down  
Yellow is a sun that is bright  
Green is a kiwifruit that is sweet and  
tasty  
And brown is yum chocolate

Purple is grapes that are juicy  
Blue is a sea that is wavy  
Black is night time sky that is beautiful  
And red is an apple that is crunchy  
By Sarai

Orange is the juicy  
orange  
Yellow is a sour lemon  
Green is our library bags  
And brown is melted  
chocolate.

Purple is for the tasty  
grapes  
Blue is for the wavy sea  
Black is for the dark night  
And red is a crunchy  
apple.

By Marco

## THE THREE LITTLE SUPER PIGS

Once upon a time there was a big bad wolf that wanted to eat them. The super pigs saved everybody in fairyland. They saw some bricks were missing and the big bad wolf had stolen it.

y Anna

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## AMBURY PARK FARM VISIT (Junior school)





# ZONE GYMNASTICS

An amazing performance by Halsey Drive gymnasts in Gym Zones held on 15 August 2019. The children performed a variety of exercises using different apparatus. They displayed balance, flexibility and coordination. Thank you to all the coaches and parent helpers who supported the children. Good luck for the "Champion of Champions" competition to be held on 12 September 2019. Way to go!





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