

Hampden Street SCHOOL



Newsletter

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Senior Ski Day, Rainbow Ski Field

Piki ake ki ngā whetū - Reach for the Stars

Principal's View

Tena koutou e te whānau

Last week, I was thrilled to attend one of our Rainbow Ski Days. We were lucky, with fresh snow and stunning, settled weather. It made for a very special day. For over 70% of the tamariki, it was their first experience of skiing, and for some, it was the first time they had touched snow.

One of the key messages that the tamariki's kaiako reinforced was the importance of resilience and not giving up - reaching for our STARS. In previous years, I have observed a growing number of tamariki completing their lesson and then heading back to the lodge to build snowmen and having snow fights rather than persevering and working on their skiing skills, as it is challenging, and at times very frustrating. Building a growth mindset and working through challenges and setbacks are skills that we have been very focused on explicitly teaching over the last few years right across our kura, and it was very evident last week that this explicit teaching is having the desired impact. We saw students skiing all day, and even though they were tired, they were fizzing about the day they had. One student proudly told me, "It was one of the best days of his life!"

Nurturing resilience in primary school-aged tamariki is a fundamental aspect of their holistic development. Resilience enables our tamariki to navigate the ups and downs of life with greater strength and positivity. By teaching them to face setbacks as steppingstones, we empower them to build problem-solving skills, emotional intelligence, and self-confidence. This foundation cultivates perseverance and adaptability, vital traits that will shape them into confident global citizens in years to come. Through supportive environments and meaningful experiences, we lay the groundwork for resilient individuals who embrace challenges, learn from failures, and ultimately thrive in a rapidly changing world.

At school, our Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) events combined with the learning activities that take place inside the classroom, provide an array of opportunities for our tamariki to be resilient and adopt a growth mindset. For our Year 6 students, who are only a term away from completing their primary school journey, having the foundation laid for these skills to continue to be built upon is vital for them in navigating the journey of lifelong learning.



Have a great weekend.

Ngā mihi

Don McLean
Principal

Notices

Breakfast Club

With toast being the most popular choice at Breakfast Club, we are once again running low on spreads. If you are keen to donate to Breakfast Club, the team would love jars of jam and honey. Rice Bubbles always disappear quickly too so are always gratefully received.

Horse Manure, \$3.00 Bags

The IronDuke Sea Scouts are raising money for their jamboree.

If you would like to buy some horse manure, please leave money with Sali, Emma or Helen at the office, and take your bag from outside the old dental clinic behind the hall. (The green bags as pictured).



Reading in the Junior Syndicate

In our Junior Syndicate we use the Better Start Literacy Approach to deliver our reading programme. If you are keen to see how it is taught in the classroom, we have uploaded a video to our HSS school website. Visit the 'Literacy in Action' page to view this, or find links to other helpful videos about reading in the early years.

<https://www.hampdenstreet.school.nz/literacy-in-action>



New World Stickers

We would love any of the New World Supermarket stickers from their current promotion for cookware. If you have any spare, please drop them in to the office, we are keen to add some new pots and pans to all of our kitchen spaces.



Staff Only Day - Term 4

We will be having a Staff Only Day on Friday 24 November. This is the second of two days that the Ministry of Education has made available to all schools and kura in 2023. The day will provide us with dedicated time to understand, prepare and engage with changes across The New Zealand Curriculum refresh.

Election 2023

The Electoral Commission needs people with different skills and backgrounds to help deliver the 2023 General Election and are very keen to have people from our local community working at the voting place. Get paid to bring your skills to the 2023 General Election and help our community to vote. Apply at <https://work.elections.nz/home>

Sauage Sizzle, Wednesday 6 September

Everyone's favourite day of term is back next week. Thank you for your support.

Sausages with bread and optional tomato sauce - \$2.00

Meal Deal - a sausage with bread and optional sauce, fruit, and a muffin - \$4.00

Sausage options include: Vegetarian (Bean Supreme Parley, Sage and Rosemary Sausage) and meat (Mad Butcher brand contains beef, pork and chicken).

Your child can order with their classroom teacher on Wednesday morning. Cash only please.

To support this fundraiser, we'd love your help. If you're up for baking or shopping, we need full-sized muffins for our Meal Deals. Muffins without decorations, icing, or nuts, please! Every half dozen muffins earns a house point. Muffins can be dropped off at the hall on Wednesday morning.

Want to dive into the action? Join our sizzling volunteers! We start preparing the Meal Deals at 8:30am and continue until around 9:30am/10:00am. Our second shift begins at 11:30am as we assemble boxes and deliver them to classrooms. After that, we assist teachers with tidying up, aiming to wrap up the dishes around 12:30pm.

Keen to jump in or curious for more details? Reach out to us at hssfundraisingcommittee@gmail.com or text Sam at 021-670-084.

Sausage Sizzle Wednesday 6 September



**\$2 Sausage
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includes muffin & fruit
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We need full-sized muffins (nut-free and no icing please) for our Meal Deals. Please bring in your muffins to the hall on Wednesday morning. House points awarded for every six muffins donated.

Daffodil Day

HSS was a sea of yellow last week as many of our tamariki got in the spirit and supported Daffodil Day.

Members of our Student Council collected the donations, created a coin trail and counted the funds. The final total raised was \$355.00, once again an amazing effort, thank you all for your donations.



Sport Update

We are always so thankful for whānau who offer to coach and supervise our sports teams. As we finish all of our winter sports codes and look forward to the Term 4 ones, we want to say a huge thank you to our helpers – we couldn't have these teams without you!

A special mention to the HSS Jets and their coach, Eric, for an unbeaten season that culminated in a hard-fought final game with the team taking the win and trophy for their grade. (L-R, Lilly, Blake, Oscar, Eric, Nelson, Zoe, Mila)



Basketball Finals

The last game of the night, could it be the golden win? As the players dribbled down the court for the last game of the season, the sideline's suspense grew. The concentration fell onto the ball as a shot was put up. Echoing through the stadium came the uncertainty of gasps from the crowd around us. Buzzer ringing, crowd cheering and on this very court, Hampden Street Jets had won the finals undefeated for the whole term. By Mila and Zoe (From the HSS Jets)



Recently Mikaela, along with a number of HSS tamariki, competed at the New Zealand Majors Cheerleading Competition in Auckland. Mikaela's team won their whole division, coming away with the gold medal. An amazing result!

Term 4 Sports

As we head into the summer sport season, we just want to reiterate that sports must be paid for before team lists go out and games start. Sport Tasman offer a subsidy for sports fees, to be eligible you need a Community Services Card, and the form (from the office) must be filled out at the start of the season. You are also welcome to make regular weekly automatic payments, these must be arranged/set up before the season starts. Please have a chat to Sali or Helen in the office if you have any questions around payments.

Registrations will be opening tomorrow, Friday 1 September, for HSS teams in summer **football** (Yr 1-6), **touch rugby** (Yr 1-6), **volleyball** (Yr 3-6), **basketball** (Yr 3-6) and **softball/tee-ball** (Yr 1-6). Registrations are online through our website:

<https://www.hampdenstreet.school.nz/hsssport>

Please make sure you note on the registration form if your child needs to be in the same team as a particular friend/teammate for carpooling purposes etc. It is a challenge rearranging teams to accommodate late requests. Also note registration closing dates, we cannot guarantee a place in a team after registrations close.

Kiwi Hoops is for beginner basketballers who are looking to learn the skills of the game in a fun environment incorporating games and drills to learn all the fundamentals of basketball. The programme is open to children in Years 1 to 8.

Sign up with Nelson Basketball and pay directly to them:

<https://forms.gle/9FcDhD65DbkiTRzK9>

Nelson **tennis** are holding a free event where everyone can give tennis a go, on 10 September from 10:00am to 4:00pm, at the following clubs: Nelson Lawn Tennis Club, Tahunanui Tennis Club, Richmond Tennis Club, Hope Tennis Club. All equipment is provided plus there will be a BBQ, prizes and giveaways. Junior tennis coaching programmes are offered by Calder Tennis, for enquiries contact Ashleigh; ash@caldertennis.co.nz
<https://clubspark.kiwi/CalderTennis/Coaching/Junior>

HSS is aligned with the Wakatu **Cricket** Club for Year 1 to 6 cricket options. The club arrange all teams, collect payments, and supply uniforms and sort practices and coaches. More information will follow for cricket, in the meantime any questions can be sent to wakatu.ir@gmail.com

Hockey registrations are open now, register directly with Nelson Hockey via their website: <https://www.nelsonhockey.org.nz/junior-programs/> Note payment for hockey is made directly to Nelson Hockey on registration. The next six-week programme starts on 26 October. Spaces are limited, hockey is open to all ages and year groups.

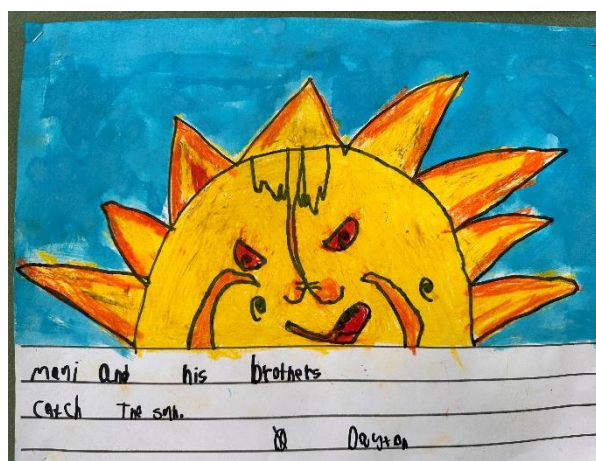
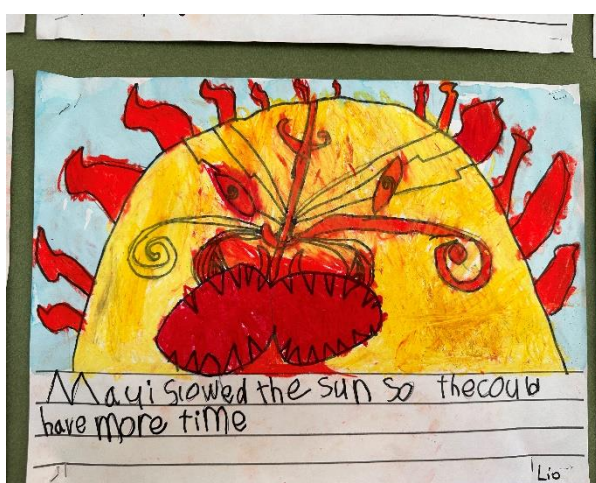
Don't hesitate to get in touch with our HSS Sports Leader, Tom Marston, or Helen in the office, if you have any questions around sport at HSS.

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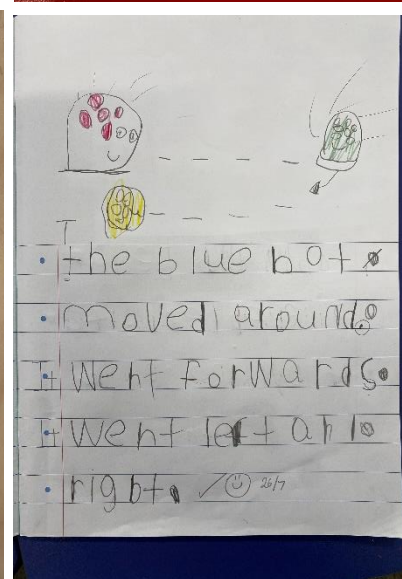
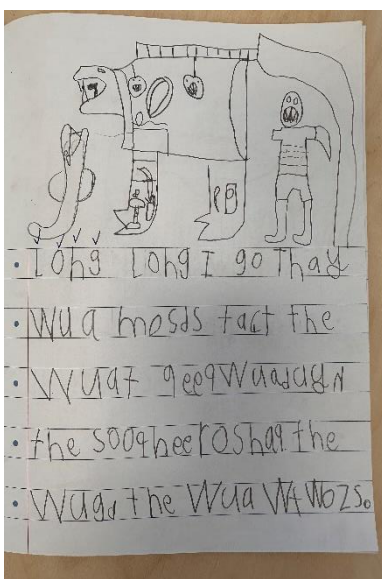
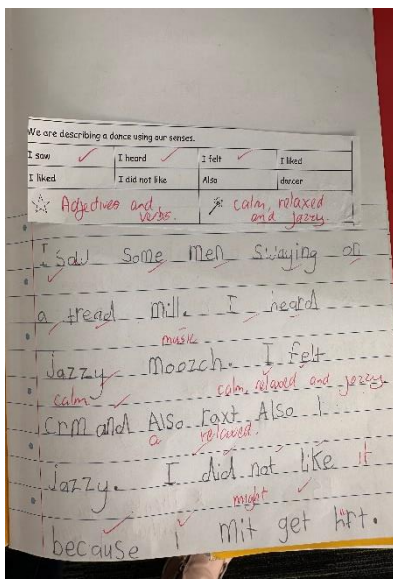
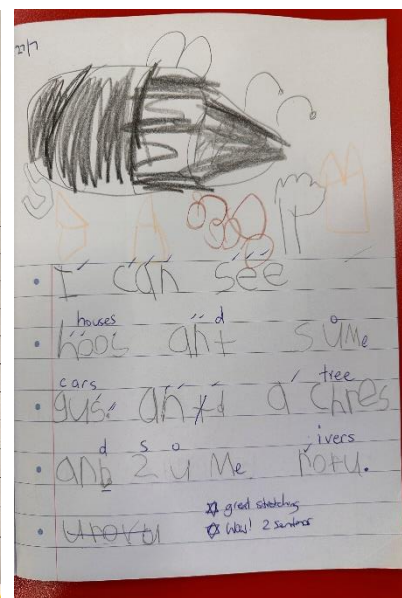
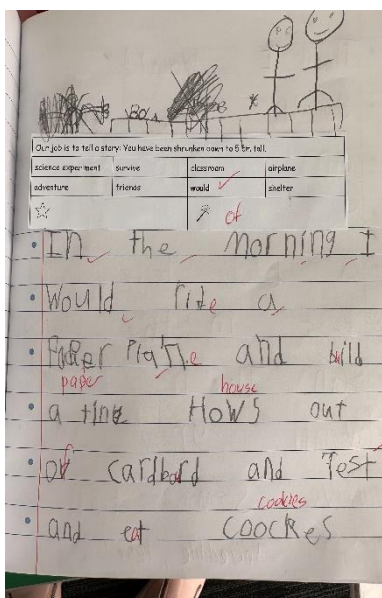
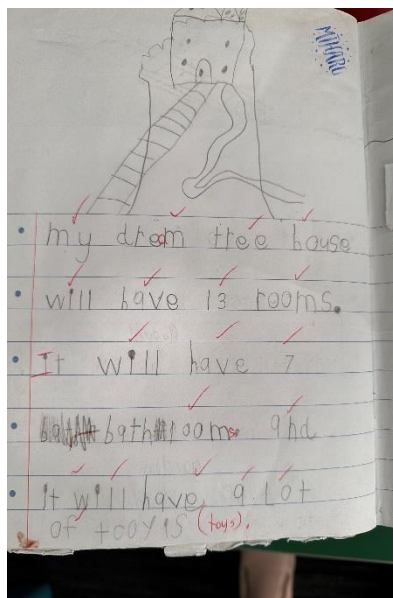
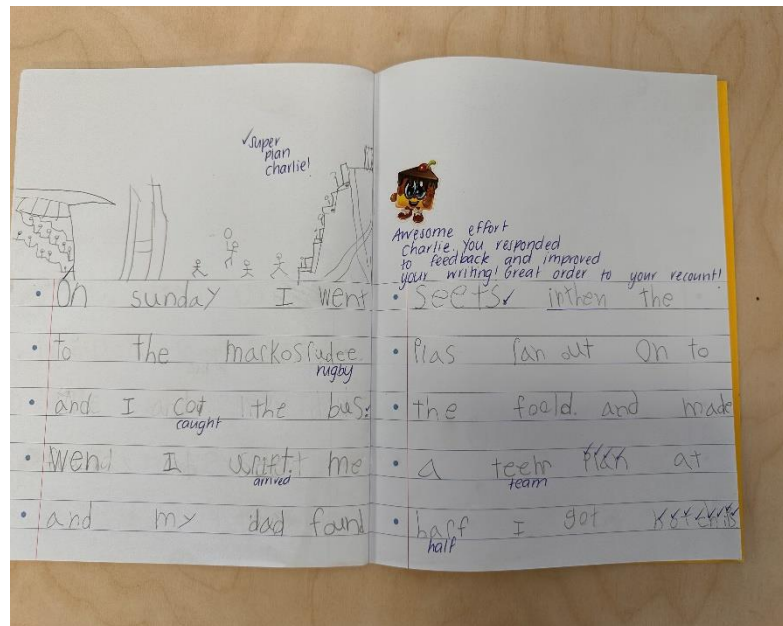
From the Syndicates

Junior Syndicate

This newsletter we are celebrating writing in the Junior Syndicate. We are seeing some amazing mahi coming from the children and here are a few examples from New Entrant to Year 2. Teaching through the Better Start Literacy Approach is supporting the students make great approximations in their spelling attempts as well as introducing high interest vocabulary that we can see coming through in their writing.



Tamariki are feeling confidence and success in their writing, through the linking of their prior knowledge with books they have read. The decodable books we use often provide concrete examples of simple and compound sentences at the appropriate level. Having the capacity to share their personal experiences in creative and interesting ways improves the outcomes that we are seeing across the syndicate.



Janet Arcus Syndicate Leader

Middle Syndicate

The Middle Syndicate had the amazing opportunity to visit Harold in his special Life Ed classroom. We had a fantastic time becoming food detectives and learning all about rocket foods and aeroplane foods.



It's that time of year again; Calendar Art! Our ākonga have been putting a huge effort into producing colourful and unique art works for family and friends to enjoy.

We are now in our second rotation of winter sports, with one more to go. The tamariki have been loving the chance to get out of the classroom and learn new skills and techniques for the different sports. We have loved taking full advantage of the sunny, warm afternoons for our sport.



Check out some of the things our tamariki have been enjoying:

Quentin: I have been enjoying the style of art we have been looking at lately. Maths has been super fun because I haven't tried these strategies before. My favourite strategy is to use the grid method.

Sascha: I've been enjoying playing games with my friends at break and getting into winter sports. I really liked making my Banskys art.

Jozin: I've been liking winter sports, art, and STEM because it's fun playing outside and making stuff.

Asacia: I liked when we separated all the food onto the green, red, and yellow carpet to show how often you should eat those foods. I have also been enjoying reading.



With only a few weeks to go until our Middle Syndicate camps, there have been plenty of conversations happening and excitement is building. Soon we will start team building activities and other fun group activities in our camp groups, designed to strengthen peer relationships before we leave for camp.

Mandy Cain-Townley Syndicate Leader

Senior Syndicate

We prayed to the weather god Tāwhirimātea and he answered! As a result, the Senior Syndicate had two wonderful days at Rainbow Ski Field. A lot of work, time and effort goes into ski day but as kaiako there is nothing better than seeing the smiles on faces as tamariki ski downhill for the first time! And witnessing the incredible progress they make due to their resilience and determination to succeed is a fantastic sight. It's a day that is always remembered as a highlight of the year!



The Ruma wha tamariki enjoyed their experience so much and produced some incredible 'Moment in Time' writing.

Huff, puff. Thankfully, we're almost there! A gust of wind pushed me forward. Adrenaline and excitement filled me like a balloon ready to pop. I was at the top.

"3,2,1 GO!" I had popped. All my adrenaline and excitement burst out of its cage.

Down and down, seeing my life before me, seeing others fall, thinking "oh no. What am I doing! But, I did it! I went down shirt front!" By Rebecca, Room 4

As I propelled myself forward, into the vast queue, my arms burned like boiling water. After what felt like days, months, even years, I finally got to the front of the vast line. The man handed me the cold, wet, snowy seat. Desperately, I held it tight. I was now slowly moving up the mountain. As the top was nearing, I knew I had almost done it, through all that effort. Finally, I made it to the top! By Oscar, Room 4

As I went up the ski mountain I was shaking. I was on the mountain, I hadn't been on for a long, long time. I was shaking nervously as the instructor told me a few important things. I knew I could do it, yeah, right? So I went close to the top of the slope and I went. WOOOOOSH! I went so fast, it was faster than the speed of light. I watched myself passing other people in front of me. I felt like I was flying above the snow. It felt like heaven.
By Van Par Ilang, Room 4



There is lots happening in the Senior Syndicate in the next couple of weeks. The tamariki have their Winter Sports Tournament on Tuesday 5 September at Saxton Field Complex and in Week 8 ALL pupils will be participating in Sports Tasman's Ride on Bike Programme. The tamariki will also be getting into their speech writing ready for the class speech competition at the end of the term. It's definitely another jam-packed term in the Senior Syndicate.

Simon Ashby Syndicate Leader

Coming Events

Senior Winter Sports Tournament, Saxtons	5 September
Board of Trustees Meeting, Whānau Room	5 September, 5:00pm-7:00pm
Sausage Sizzle	6 September
Postponement Day/Senior Winter Sports Tournament	7 September
Maths Weeks, Dress Up Day	8 September
Middle Syndicate Camp, Rooms 14, 15 and 17	12-13 September
Wig Wednesday	13 September
Middle Syndicate Camp, Rooms 16, 18 and 19	14-15 September
Hockey Tournament, Year 5 and 6, Saxton Hockey Turfs	19 September
Excellence Assemblies	21 September
Last Day of Term	22 September
Start of Term 4	9 October
Mihi Whakatau	9 October, 9:10am-9:45am
Staff Only Day, School Closed	24 November



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Awards and Achievements

Room 1	<i>Jayden Bullen Hefferen for showing a growth mindset at the ski field.</i>
Room 2	<i>Ishaan Singh for his increased fluency in reading – gaining so much confidence.</i>
Room 3	<i>Olivier Houareau for striving for success in group work, bringing the energy and focus, making things fun and being adaptable teaming up with different peers.</i>
Room 4	<i>Alba Ridout for being an instrumental part of our Creatives in Schools project and using her skills to teach others and respond creatively.</i>
Room 5	<i>Jasmine Walker for showing empathy and kindness.</i>
Room 6	<i>Rian Hemi for demonstrating an amazing growth mindset throughout his ski day, facing challenges and always smiling.</i>
Mānuka 7	<i>Zara Guy for responding creatively – sharing her identity in beautiful and thoughtful ways in her Creatives in Schools artworks.</i>
Mānuka 8	<i>Phoebe Waud for striving for success in literacy and all learning tasks.</i>
Mānuka 9	<i>TJ Wilkinson for taking the initiative to manage his behaviour and focus on his learning.</i>
Mānuka 10	<i>Griffin Donnelly for being an outstanding role model in Mānuka 10 and always doing his best mahi! Ka mau te wehi!!</i>
Kōwhai 11	<i>Stella Gibson for a positive attitude towards her learning and striving for success during writing.</i>
Kōwhai 13	<i>Hamza Abid for striving for success in all aspects of learning, particularly showing huge improvements in literacy.</i>
Room 14	<i>Joshua Penlington for making some great decisions in his learning and striving for success in all areas.</i>
Room 15	<i>Otis Young for his outstanding attitude towards learning and always trying his best.</i>
Room 16	<i>Max Wallington for his growing initiative in independent learning tasks. Thea McVeigh for asking great questions and really thinking about her learning.</i>
Room 17	<i>Ryan Otto for his enthusiastic approach to new learning in numeracy.</i>
Room 18	<i>Charlotte Hitchcock for engaging in meaningful mathematical conversations.</i>
Room 19	<i>Skylar Batley for showing empathy to others and making sure they slot back into routine nicely.</i>

