

Haast School Newsletter!

An aerial photograph of the Haast School grounds. In the foreground, there is a large wooden play structure on a gravel area. To the right, a blue and green striped canopy is set up. In the background, there is a large building with a green roof and a smaller building with a blue roof. The school is surrounded by green grass and trees.

Values

Mahirahira - Curiosity
Manawanui - Determination
Aroha
Whakaute - Respect
Pāhekoheko - Integrity

Week 6, Term 2, 2024

Growing Individuals for the Future

Kia ora koutou,

Friday last week we had a zoom meeting with Jessie's class in Christchurch. Very exciting for Jessie to introduce Haast Kura to her friends and class of Year 7&8 students. Something we discovered though and we wonder if our school could do this also. **Close at 2.30pm each Friday!** The children, Jess, Ellie and I think it is a fantastic idea! The students will create a survey to ask for your feedback.

The front wall of the school has asbestos and has been approved for replacement. Work will take place over the school holidays.

Kids in Space, Anne-Marie Robinson, United States Space Camp Ambassador to NZ is planning to visit morning of Monday 24 June. See the attached flyer!

Matariki Hangi invitations created by the children will be posted into the town post boxes, posted on the school facebook page and a poster at the local On the Spot notice board. The hangi celebration will be at the school from 1pm on the 27 June. Koha donation for the food can be left at the school or On the Spot in the donation containers. Alternatively, into the school bank account 12 3166 0305764 01 #Matariki.

Ngā mihi nui Cyndi, Jess and Ellie

Join us to celebrate *Matariki*,
Māori New Year



Events

Term 2: 29 April - 5 July

- BOT meeting 24 June
- Kids in Space
- Overnight camp at school, 26 June
- Matariki Hangi at school, 27 June
- Matariki Holiday 28 June
- Reports home, 5 July.

Term 3: 22 July - 27 Sept

- BOT meeting 19 August
- **School Skiing** - Friday 16th Aug – 13th Sep. Weather day on 20th Sep.
- Arts Festival 20th September

Term 4: 14 October - 13 December

- Challenge Day 1st November, Haast Kura
- MOE Teacher Only Day 11th November

Caught Being Good

Sapphire

For focusing and getting your work done
without being distracted!
Ka pai to mahi!

In the last newsletter I shared, *Maximise the uniqueness of our environment*. Here is another Haast School Annual Target:

Nurture, engage and empower confidence in our Tamariki

‘To enable our learners to reach their potential with a focus on empowering them each with skills to suit their specific learning needs and styles’.

To achieve this: At Haast Kura we show trust by giving students responsibility for their learning through self directed learning, goal setting and managing themselves. Comments given to the children about their learning is feedback and feed forward.

Our expectations are high:

“Teachers’ expectations of their students’ learning may be more important in influencing student progress than pupils’ abilities. ‘High expectation teachers’ believe that students will learn faster and will improve their level of achievement. They also have more positive attitudes towards learners and more effective teaching practices.”

Ref: High Impact Teaching, the Education Hub

The children are sharing their proud achievements onto their **ePortfolios in SeeSaw**. So that the children can share work with you, you will be linked into your child’s **ePortfolio** through your email address. You can then send a positive comment back to your child about their learning. Watch out for the email in your inbox!

Haast Strategic Goal:

Nurture, engage and empower confidence in our Tamariki

Whakamana

NELP objectives: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

To enable our learners to reach their potential with a focus on empowering them each with skills to suit their specific learning needs and styles.

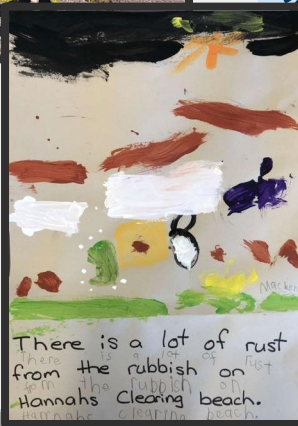
Our goal is to empower our learners whatever their needs and styles. Key to achieving this, is staff support to ensure they have access to the knowledge and resources to be effective in pursuit of this aim.

Structured Literacy is taught with the IDeal and Better Start Literacy Approach programmes. Writing and reading are taught daily through either a Structured Literacy approach or integrated Inquiry framework. Mathematics is taught using the Prime programme and also integration through inquiry informed by the International Baccalaureate framework and Kath Murdoch Inquiry. Professional Development/Learning with [Rob Proffitt White Maths](#) and [Numicom](#).

Fern Fuel For Schools
Thank you everyone who donates to this.
We had a vege garden kit delivered last Friday.



Painting by Mackenzie.
There is rubbish on our Hannah's Clearing Beach!



For any payments to school at any time here are our bank details:
Haast School Board 12 3166 0305764 01
This saves us handling cash at school

Our Local Police Officer visit during Road Safety Week



Matariki Hangi June 27

Overnight camp at the school, 26 June.
With stargazing overnight and Sustainable Coastlines audit in the morning of June 27.
Community are invited for the hangi. Koha donation towards the food and fundraising for the senior camps. Please deposit into the school account with #Matariki as reference.
Let us know if you would like to donate lamb, pork or beef.