



HATAITAI SCHOOL

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Inspiration Piece

'Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.'

- William James'

School Hours
8:55 – 3:00

Term 1

3 February – 30 March

Term 2

15 April – 03 July

Term 3

20 July – 25 September

Term 4

12 October –
16 December

Dear Parents and Whanau

As we have progressed through COVID-19 Level 2 over the last ten days the students and families have continued to assist us to meet the requirements as set out for all of us here in Wellington.

Thank you for also continuing to support us at the gates in the morning - we are so proud of the students who are arriving each day wearing big smiles and who have beautiful 'hellos' for the teachers.

As recently as this morning a reliever teacher who was on the gate came and celebrated the children with us. She could not believe how lovely they all were.

Until Covid-19 Level 1 is announced, please continue to encourage your children to hand sanitise and follow good hygiene practices.

STREET SAFETY

There has been positive improvement before and after school with parking cars at drop off and pick up times. However, there are still several parents who regularly park on the pavement, pull over onto the yellow lines and park on the bus stop. For everyone's safety, we ask that you please stop doing this - thank you.

Our Community Constable and Colleagues are undertaking frequent checks on road safety outside our school.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN MATHEMATICS

The teaching staff are in our second year or a two-year professional development programme around the way we teach maths. It is empowering our Hataitai Teachers to make Maths more accessible to every student, working through rich open ended problems using real life contexts. We have noticed a huge shift in the disposition of our learners, and thank you for your continued support. We'd like to share with you a clip from Jo Boaler, who is a British Maths 'guru' and professor at Stanford University in America. It illustrates the changes that our school felt it needed to ensure agency within our learners.

[Q&A: What's wrong with the way New Zealand teaches maths?](#)

Please feel free to share any thoughts with Judith Douglas (Maths Leader) at judith.douglas@hataitai.school.nz

PARENT SURVEY: Online July Learning Conferences/Lockdown Digital Learning Programmes

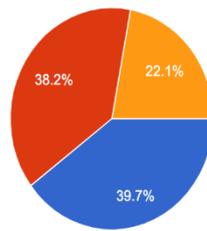
Thank you to the 68 families who contributed to this survey. Your comments and feedback helps us to ensure we are meeting the needs of your children the very best ways we can.

Conclusions for the Online July Learning Conferences

1. The online conference suited most families due to convenience, however face to face is the preferred option for better engagement with the teacher and to see their child's work in the classroom
2. Many parents enjoyed/appreciated the online option
3. Several parents wanted a longer meeting session
4. Some parents would like more clarification of what the levels in the report mean
5. Clearer communications are required as many parents did not understand that the conferences were being held online

2021 Learning Conferences: Please indicate your preference

68 responses



- Face to face Learning Conferences in March and July
- One Face to face Learning Conference in March and one Online Conference in July
- Both Learning Conferences in March and July are held Online

Going into 2021:

Even though the results are quite close, we will hold face to face Learning Conferences in March and July.

Conclusions for Lockdown Digital Learning Programmes

Next week the teaching staff will work with their team leader to discuss the feedback from the parent community. We will publish those outcomes in our next newsletter.

WELCOME NEW STUDENTS:

This week we have welcomed Jainil Valand into Orongorongo and Leo Bannon into Karaka. We hope that Jainil and Leo's families have many happy years here at Hataitai School.

CELEBRATING STUDENTS:

I would like to congratulate another student this week who has contributed an excellent piece of writing.

WRITING: Year 8 Myths

The Story of Mikaere the Kiwi

1839 - Europeans have been felling native forests, which are rapidly being replaced with farms.

"These trees have got to go!", the man declared, getting frustrated.

Iwi leaders stood confidently in front of the immigrant, asking for an end to deforestation. A young kiwi named Mikaere observing this scene thought of the future these people were creating, no more trees, large farms stretching across the country, his species might not exist.

The Māori were ignored, and with a large axe in hand the European pressed on into the forest. Mikaere stood anxiously behind a tall tree, listening to the dangerous footsteps that could ruin his home. Crack! An axe embedded itself in a kauri tree. Thud. It fell to the ground. What could he do? He thought about how his grandmother taught him to protect himself with his long beak and sharp claws. He had only ever defended himself from a baby stoat before, could he attack a human? He thought for a while, and realized it was his only hope left.

The man was several meters away from him now. So Mikaere ran as fast his little feet could carry him. Then he jumped — claws first — onto the man's legs, and began viciously biting and scratching. The man swung his axe, and Mikaere leapt forward narrowly missing the deadly blade. He didn't give up until deep wounds were scattered all over the man's legs. The man took one last weak swoop of his axe, missing Mikaere completely. Then he let out a cry, and limped off into the distance. The last words Mikaere heard of the Europeans were,

"Don't set foot in the forests! Stop the deforestation!"

When Mikaere died 23 years later, he was brought to the sky by the spirits to watch over Aotearoa native forests, and protect the animals that rely on them.

By Toby Connor-Kebbell in Year 8

Congratulations Toby - we are very proud of you.

To all the Dad's in our school community we wish you a very happy and restful Father's Day on Sunday.

Jacinta
PRINCIPAL

Confident, independent, highly achieving students who enjoy learning.

SCHOOL NOTICES

CALENDAR ART

On Monday your child will (hopefully) bring home a notice about how to order calendars, cards, diaries and sketch pads with their beautiful artwork on them. These products are lovely gifts, and ideal for mailing overseas.

The website is www.kidsartworks.com, and you will need the number at the bottom of the notice to view the art and make your order. If the notice doesn't make it home or is misplaced, please email Nicolette at nl@nicolettelevy.co.nz for your code/s.

Usually we would have samples to show you, but with the level 2 restrictions this is more difficult. If you would like to see the products before you order, please email as above.

You can order online for two weeks, and delivery will be early next term.

FLOORBALL IS BACK IN TERM 4!

Novice and experienced players are welcome to sign up.

Age grades are: Primary School Year 1-2 / Year 3-4 / Year 5-6 / Year 7-8
Venue: ASB stadium

To sign up, please complete the sign-up sheet at the office from Monday 7 September.

Registrations close on Wednesday 17 September.

Games are normally played between 3:30pm and 7:00pm. Year 1-2 play at 3:30pm with the older age groups getting the later games.

Cost: \$35.00 per child. Your child will not be enrolled until payment has been received.

NO MORE LOST PROPERTY

At Hataitai School every term we end up with a mountain of lost property items. Even after putting them on display for our students and families we are left with often 100+ items that require washing and being donated to charity. Out of sight - out of mind seems to be the case. Many schools have experienced success in reducing lost property by no longer having a main collection point.

Please encourage your child to check the astro turf and hall as these are the two places that lost property usually accumulates.

ABSENCES

Please contact the **school office** to advise of your child's absence before 9:00am. You can advise the office by: -

Phone: (04) 386 1510, then press 1 to leave a message

Parent Portal: Push Absence, then Notify an Absence

Email: office@hataitai.school.nz

Website: absence@hataitai.school.nz

If you advise/email your child's teacher of an impending absence, please ensure you "CC" the office as well.

LUNCH ORDERS

Hell Pizza – Wednesday

Standard \$6.00 each or Gluten free \$7.00 each

Order forms need to be completed with the correct amount of money please as **no change is given**. If your child is Gluten or Dairy Free, please ensure this is ticked on the form.

Envelopes are provided in the pizza bag.

Sushi – Thursday

Place your order for Thursday via www.ezlunch.co.nz

Orders are accepted up until 9.00am on a Thursday morning

HATAITAI SCHOOL PARENTS GROUP (HSPG)

UPCOMING EVENT: SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER

NZ General Election – Hataitai School is a polling booth location.

In the past we had a few food & coffee stalls – we need helpers! Please email fundraising@hataitai.school.nz if you can help.

NEW TO HATAITAI SCHOOL?

Getting involved with fundraising at Hataitai School is a great way to meet other parents and families. Email fundraising@hataitai.school.nz or contact Bec (021 776 203) if you would like to come along to our next informal catch-up.

HATAITAI SCHOOL CLOTHING

Would your child like a house team t-shirt/sports t-shirt/school hoodie? Or perhaps even a sunhat? Check out the range of products on the school website (hataitai.school.nz). All items can be ordered online through the school website (except for the sunhat – available at office for \$8).

Hoodie ordering deadline: Orders close end of term - 3:00pm Friday 25 September



FLASH SALE

We have a number of Hataitai
School Hoodies for sale

Sizes 12 and 14 only

**Get in quick for a
bargain \$40 only!**

COLLECT YUMMY STICKERS FROM APPLES! - WE GET FREE SPORTS GEAR!

An ongoing fundraiser we have is the collection of Yummy Stickers; from apples -help us collect stickers for sports gear! Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags and individual Yummy apple stickers - the more we collect, the more sports gear we get!

Sticker sheets are in your classrooms.

If you're collecting them at home, sticker sheets can be found at <http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schoolstickerpromo> (hand in to the office when complete)

Sticker deadline: Friday 18 September

HATAITAI AFTER SCHOOL CARE (HASCI)

Term 3 - we have space each day for you to enrol your children, either as a regular booking \$16.50, or if a casual booking suits you better, that option is available \$18.50 per session.

The children really enjoy After School Care and its lovely for them to be part of the HASCI community.

Please email Fiona at hataitaiasci@gmail.com for any further information on our services, always happy to help.

Hataitai After-school Care Inc.

Phone: +6427 248 3378

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Manager: Fiona Attard
Email: hataitaiasci@gmail.com
Phone: 027 248 3378
Location: Hataitai School Hall
 2 Arawa Street, Hataitai
Hours ...
 8.30am–5.30pm.

What to Bring ...

A packed lunch, drink bottle and sunhat. Don't forget a helmet on 'wheel' days! Please note, a SNAPPER CARD is required on select trip days

Included ...

Morning and afternoon tea. Daily activities as outlined PLUS a unique art/craft activity each day.

Cost ...

\$50 per child/per day
 \$60* per child/per day applies to activity & trip days

Optional lunches ...

On selected days we will offer the option to purchase lunch. This is at an additional cost. Details will be provided closer to the time.

Payment Details ...

Secure your child's place by email. Fees will be invoiced. Your booking is confirmed once payment has been received.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME SEP/OCT 2020

WEEK 1

<p>28 SEP</p> <p>TRIP DAY* We are kicking off the holidays with an action packed day trip to Laser Force! Team up with your friends to score points and complete your mission.</p>	<p>29 SEP</p> <p>COOKING DAY Waffles! Cook your own waffles and load them up with your favourite toppings from our 'waffle station'. This is your chance to create your own waffle masterpiece!</p>	<p>30 SEP</p> <p>ACTIVITY DAY* Today is a must for all animal lovers! We have a Petting Zoo of friendly farm animals coming to visit us onsite.</p>	<p>1 OCT</p> <p>GAMES DAY We will be setting up a course of crazy games for you to enjoy! Nibbling donuts from a string, petanque, 3 legged races and more!</p>	<p>2 OCT</p> <p>TRIP DAY* Today we will take the bus to Miramar and enjoy a movie & ice cream at Roxy Cinema. Movie choice to be advised shortly.</p> <p>Bring a Snapper Card!</p>
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WEEK 2

<p>5 OCT</p> <p>TRIP DAY* Bring your wheels! We will make our way to Kilbirnie Park & the Rec Centre for a day of action and fun!</p> <p>OPTIONAL: Subway for lunch</p>	<p>6 OCT</p> <p>COOKING DAY Build your own S'mores! That delicious combination of toasted marshmallows and chocolate between two biscuits will make the best morning tea!</p>	<p>7 OCT</p> <p>ACTIVITY DAY* Prepare to be amazed by Zappo the Magician who will perform some of his most impressive tricks for us – and perhaps learn a trick or two of your own</p>	<p>8 OCT</p> <p>GAMES DAY Another fun day of crazy games to play. Try your luck at the balloon pop, egg and spoon races and more!</p> <p>OPTIONAL: Fish & Chips for lunch</p>	<p>9 OCT</p> <p>TRIP DAY* Today we will walk to Chaffers Park for a picnic before visiting Te Papa to enjoy some exhibitions and visit Bush City.</p> <p>Bring a Snapper Card!</p>
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TO BOOK EMAIL: hataitaiasci@gmail.com



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Enrolments

Please email hataitaiasci@gmail.com for an enrolment form. On receipt of your enrolment form an invoice will be created for the days booked. Please note that full payment is required in advance to secure your child's place in the school holiday programme.

Fees

The holiday programme will operate from 8.30am–5.30pm on the dates indicated. The fees applicable are per child / per day booked. Late fees are applicable for pick-up after 5.30pm

Onsite Days	\$50 per day / per child
Trip/Activity Days	\$60 per trip day / per child

Payments

Full payment details will be provided on your invoice. Invoices will be distributed via email. For this reason, it is essential a current email address is provided as part of enrolment. Please note your booking requests are not confirmed until payment has been received.

Last Minute Bookings

Bookings are essential to ensure we are meeting the correct staff-to-child ratio. Last minute bookings may be possible dependent on existing booking numbers and staffing. Please contact the Programme Manager to discuss last minute booking options.

What to Bring

A packed lunch, drink bottle and sunhat. A helmet will also be required on days that include 'wheels'. Please note, a SNAPPER CARD may be requested for select trip days.

Morning and afternoon tea will be provided each day.

Location

The holiday programme will be held onsite at Hataitai School (2 Arawa Road, Hataitai) in the school hall, unless advised otherwise—such as trip days.

Programme Changes

Our Team has worked hard to create a fun and inspiring programme for the kids. The proposed programme will be adhered to as closely as possible, but substitutions may occasionally be required in the event of inclement weather or similar.

Communication

Our Programme Manager and/or Supervisor can be contacted anytime via phone or email. We shall also keep you updated via email with reminders and updates relevant to the daily programme, as required.

Changes/Cancellations

HASCI operates as a not-for-profit organization and as such we aim to price our programme at an affordable level sufficient to cover costs. This does, however, mean we are unable to absorb costs associated with last minute changes. For this reason, we are unable to offer credits for cancellations received with less than 2 weeks' notice. We appreciate your understanding on this point.

- More than 2 weeks notice given: Credit offered
- Inside 2 weeks notice given: No credit

Change should be advised as soon as possible and we will do everything possible to accommodate these requests.

Absences on the Day

We understand there will be times when your child(ren) won't be attending the holiday programme on a day that has been booked. In this event, please let HASCI know no later than 9am. Credits are not given for absences.

Phone/text: 027 248 3378

Email: hataitaiasci@gmail.com

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

HATAITAI VILLAGE MARKET	<p>Hataitai Village Market is on tomorrow – Saturday 5 September from 10:00 to 2:00, so call on by to the Hataitai Centre (former Bowling Club), 157 Hataitai Road (formerl Bowling Club) and find a bargain.</p> <p>Please note this Market meets the COVID 19 Level 2 requirments.</p>
SAMUEL MARSDEN COLLEGIATE SCHOOL	<p>Education for your daughter in Year 9, 2021</p> <p>Key dates: Open Mornings (tour the school, ask questions and find out about Marsden's Visible Wellbeing approach and programmes): Friday 23 October 2020, 8.45am-12pm.</p> <p>Principal Narelle Umbers will be speaking briefly at 9am.</p> <p>Year 9 Māori & Pasifika Scholarship applications for entry in 2021 close 31 July, see details and apply online.</p> <p>Enrolments: Enrolments for entry in 2021 are now due.</p> <p>To organise a personal tour or day in class for your daughter please contact Enrolment Registrar Leigh McCathie on 476 8707 marsden.school.nz</p>
 <p>St Patrick's College WELLINGTON</p>	<p>YEAR 9 ENROLMENTS AT ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE IN 2021</p> <p>St Patrick's College is now accepting enrolments for 2021 and the forms can either be downloaded from the College website – www.stpats.school.nz under Enrolments or you can request a Prospectus from the College office.</p>

HATAITAI LITTER BLITZ

3PM-4PM
SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

Seeking volunteers to meet at
3pm at that Hataitai Village Green
(157 Hataitai Road) to help pick up
rubbish from the neighbourhood.

A thank you sausage sizzle
and refreshments will be
provided afterwards.

For more information email
hataitaievents@gmail.com

Rubbish bags and instructions
provided. BYO gloves if possible



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