



HASCI NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 | 2021

UPDATE FROM ASHLEIGH ...

Kia Ora everyone. Term 4 already! This year has flown by...

We are, once again, FULLY BOOKED on Thursdays with a waitlist on the go. Please continue to update me if your child(ren) cannot attend on a day booked so I can try to accommodate children on our waitlist. If your child does not hold a confirmed enrolment, please DON'T send them to HASCI, as our staffing is based on numbers booked and we will not be able to accept unexpected attendees and still adhere to the staffing ratio's required under OSCAR guidelines.



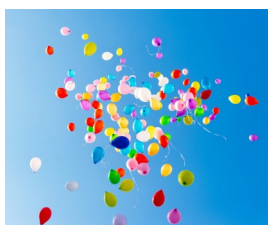
Can I please also ask you to remind your children the sharing of food is not permitted. We continuously reinforce this at afternoon tea times but have had incidents where they are sharing food from lunch boxes. This is a risk for those children with allergies and dietary requirements.

Please remember while we remain at alert Level 2 parents/caregivers are not permitted to enter school grounds for pick-up. Please text us for pick-up at the top gate on Arawa Road. Calls are difficult to monitor if multiple parents call at the same time. If you have not received a text within 5 minutes to let you know your child is on their way to meet you, then by all means, call. We have a staff member assigned to phone duty every shift but, of course, our main priority is supervision of children. We hope to see all parents back onsite soon.

SUNSMART IN TERM 4 ...

HASCI recognises that staff and children are at risk of harmful UV radiation from the sun during peak UVR periods. These occur during Terms 1 & 4 of the school year. During Terms 1 & 4 it will be mandatory for all staff and children to wear hats. Children who do not have hats with them will be asked to play indoors. All children will be encouraged to use available areas of shade for outdoor play activity.

Caregivers are encouraged to provide their children with sunscreen although sunscreen will be provided by HASCI. The HASCI caregivers will act as role models by wearing sun protective hats and clothing outdoors, using SPF30+ sun block and seeking shade wherever possible.



END OF TERM — 16 DECEMBER HALF DAY ...

Many of you will have noted by now the school term ends at **1pm on Thursday 16 December**.

HASCI will be offering a special programme for this afternoon, with a number of fun on-site activities planned to celebrate the start of the summer holiday. The cost will be \$30 for the afternoon (1pm-5.45pm). Book via AimyPlus. Spaces are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

TEAM UPDATES & FAREWELLS ...

This Term our HASCI team will say goodbye to Jamin, who has been a valued member of the HASCI team for 4 years. Jamin will greatly missed by both the kids and his colleague at HASCI.

We are excited to have a new team member, Hannah, join us. Hannah started with HASCI during Term 3 and with her amazing background in Fine Arts as well as years of experience in childcare she is already proving to be a huge asset to our team. Hannah is passionate about everything creative and is full of inspiring ideas to share as our teams Arts and Craft Coordinator.

To learn more about our HASCI Team, please visit: www.hasci.co.nz > 'About Us| Meet the Team'



OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME ...

Our October holidays were a blast! Our amazing programme included trip days to the Island Bay Marine Centre, swimming, skateboarding, Awesome Bounce and bumper cars at Junglerama as well as HASCI activity days with Nerf battles and summer sports. We made Vietnamese veggie summer rolls and the kids loved it! These activities were so popular, we will be repeating a number of these again in the summer holidays with a lot more added!

With Newtown Indoor Sports closing down Junglerama and Jumperama, expect to see some new trip day locations in the next holidays. As always, suggestions from our kids and community are most welcome!



REMINDER: All our trip days use pre-booked private buses for the transportation – so snapper cards are no longer required.
UPDATE: HASCI now have a set of hi-vis vests that will be used on trip days. This allows our HASCI team to quickly identify children in our care. Wearing vests will be a mandatory safety precaution for children on trip days.



HASCI COMMITTEE UPDATE ...

After well over a year of service as Chair, Tina Dustdar will be leaving us for a new adventure. Tina has helped HASCI negotiate the choppy waters of COVID and we are most grateful to her for all her hard work over this time.

Joseph Montgomery will take over as Chair, with Catherine Solari remaining as Treasurer and Gabrielle Nicholson stepping into the role of secretary. We are also delighted to welcome Allison Quigg to the HASCI committee, rounding out the full committee along with existing committee member, Jo Godden.

The HASCI Committee can be reached at hasci.committee@gmail.com

DECEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME ...

We already have planning of a school holiday programme for the summer holiday period underway and this will include a pre-Christmas holiday program which will run from 17-23 December (school term ends Thursday 16 Dec this year). Please find below proposed programme. Booking will be open on AimyPlus shortly:



- 17 Dec Trip day—Mission Inflatable
- 20 Dec Summer Sports
- 21 Dec Trip Day—Swimming at Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre
- 22 Dec Nerf/Lego and Dress up Day
- 23 Dec Christmas Party

The HASCI holiday programme is available to all families at Hataitai School as well as extended family, friends and the local community. Basically, all children are welcome!

Our HASCI team will be taking a well-earned break over the Christmas and New Year period, but will be back with an exciting holiday programme for select dates in January. Details will be shared by Ashleigh as soon as confirmed.



KEEPING US UPDATED ...

We understand plans change and there will be times when your child(ren) won't be attending HASCI on a day that has been booked. In this event, we request you please let HASCI know, before 3pm. Email: hataitaiasci@gmail.com | Text or phone: 027 248 3378

Keeping us updated will allow us to manage staff numbers and casual booking requests efficiently.