

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday the 1st of September 2023

Important Upcoming Events 2023

14 Aug - 8 Sept	Weekly gymnastic sessions for everyone with Manawatu Gymsports
4 - 5 September	Cricket skills for Years 1-4 (Manawatu Cricket)
5 September	Cluster Performing Arts Festival (choir and jump jam performing)
6 September	Ballot for out of zone enrolments (if required)
7 September	Ricoh sports tournament for selected Y5/6 tamariki 5.30pm Board meeting - staffroom. Everyone welcome!
8 September	Market Day - ask the tamariki what they are making to sell on this day! Last day for hotdog lunch orders to be in.
15 September	9am Whole school assembly - TKM sharing their learning. All welcome NEW ITEM PTA American Hotdog lunch. (Proceeds supporting new playground)
18 - 22 September	Book Week - see separate notices that will come home giving details
22 September	Dress as your favourite Book Character Day Last day of Term 3
9 October	First day of Term 4
10 October	Marae visit for Year 5 tamariki (more details to come)

Please also look out for kete newsletters - these include specific dates/events for that kete.

SAVE THIS DATE

SCHOOL CENTENARY - 5TH AND 6TH APRIL 2024

Hokowhitu School celebrates its 100th anniversary next year. Spread the word to any ex-pupils/colleagues who you think may be interested in attending.

Registrations are now 'live'. Please find the link for registration on the school website: www.hokowhitu.school.nz



Update from the Principal

Kia ora koutou
Ngā mihi kia koutou

Next week we start up our final New Entrant class for 2023. Waka Iti is nestled between TKA and TKM. Our newest 5-year-olds will be taught by Mrs Hawkins and Merryn will be supported one day a week by Mrs Griffin. While Waki Iti is physically separated from the rest of TKW, they are a full part of Te Kete Wakahuia.

MARKET DAY - 8th September

Excitement is building for next Friday's Market Day. We hope the tamariki have been doing some extra chores to earn some money to spend on 8th September. Items will be either \$1.00 or \$2.00 and we request a maximum of \$10.00 being brought to school to spend. There is NO EXPECTATION that they need to have as much as \$10.00, as there will be items to purchase for just \$1.00.

Examples of items on sale are:

\$1.00 Fudge, Gel pen art, cookies, bookmarks, friendship bracelets, pencil, lemonade, balloon animals and toppers.

\$2.00 Sock Puppets, Necklace/Bead sets, Pat- a -pet, squish balls, chalk, House bracelets.

All items are available 'until sold out', limits will apply to allow as many people as possible to enjoy!

Cash will be exchanged for 'tokens' with your child's whānau teacher - this means no cash is being handled by the children on the day.

We invite you to send the cash you want your child to spend to their whānau teacher between Tuesday and Friday of next week - this means less rush on Market Day.

Market Day is the culmination of this term's inquiry learning that has involved a wide variety of learning - e.g Making business plans, the concepts of costs v profit margins, craft techniques, scientific 'change of states' in food, statistics, geometry, measurement skills etc. The ākongā have also needed to show perseverance and resilience.

Any profit made (after expenses have been deducted) will be used for end of year kete celebrations. Financial literacy is an important skill to learn - adults know that 'money doesn't grow on trees', the tamariki need to learn how to budget and spend wisely too.

We look forward to sending home some photos of the 'action' after Market Day.

BALLOT FOR OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS - 6th September

We have 2 vacancies for out of zone enrolments at each of Years 2/3/4/5/6 for Term 4 of this year.

We are also accepting requests for enrolment for out of zone tamariki turning 5 in Terms 1 or 2 of next year.

A ballot (if needed) will be held on the 6th of September.

If you know someone who lives 'out of zone' who would like to attend our kura, please encourage them to collect and complete an enrolment form and return it by next Monday at the latest.

This applies to siblings of current pupils too. Please DO NOT assume we will know when they will be turning 5 and expect us to hold a place for them. Our Board is committed to keeping siblings together, however we do need to have the application in before ballot time, so we don't give their space away to someone else.

BASIC FACT-A-THON

What a fantastic fundraiser this was. Along with the ākongā growing their basic facts knowledge, the PTA also raised \$10,977.59 to support the board with upgrading the senior playground. This was an **amazing** effort - thank you so much to everyone who participated.

At this morning's assembly we presented our top sellers with rewards.

Carlos - \$320.00, **Claudia S** - \$220.00 and third equal on \$170.00 **Ava I, Aarush, Joel T and Imogen B.**

Our biggest thanks for your amazing efforts.

DANCE NZ MADE

Congratulations and best wishes to our team competing over the coming weeks.

DAFFODIL DAY

Thanks to everyone who supported this day. We have deposited \$563.80 into Manawatu Cancer Society's account. Ka pai.

AMERICAN HOT DOG LUNCH - 15th September

Order forms for american hotdogs came home earlier in the week. Orders close next Friday the 8th of September. Amy - the fantastic chair of our PTA, will be most appreciative of lots of help. Many of the jobs are not onerous but need to be shared. Orders need placing, food needs picking up, assistance is needed to split bread rolls and serve lunch on the day. Lunch serving takes approximately 30 mins from start to finish.

While I know Amy will speak with people who have helped in the past, it would be great if some new people put up their hand and offered to help. Just send an email to the office - we'd welcome the help.

ATAWHAI AWARDS

At this morning's assembly the following people were presented with an award to recognise their displays of kindness.

TKW: Eliza W - Eliza has only been in our kete for a short time, but what an impact she has made. Eliza is kind, respectful and has a great sense of humour. Eliza knows when it is time to have fun and when it is time to learn. She cooperates with others and is a positive role model to her friends - Tino pai Eliza for displaying atawhai to others - you are a superstar!

TKP: Noah N - You are always respectful and polite to others. We love how you freely share your stationery with others in the kete. You use your kind manner to help others when they need support while still completing your own learning to a high standard. This makes you an invaluable member of TKP, thank you so much Noah! We love having you in TKP.

TKM: Matty B - We cannot believe you have only joined our Hokowhitu whānau this year! You show STRIVE each and every day and are a calming influence on those around you. Thank you for being such a fabulous role model of respect in Te Kete Manawa. We were impressed by your bravery when presenting your speech and congratulate you on making our kete finals. We are so lucky to have you in our kete! Keep striving for the top of the mountain, Matty.

TKA: Tupuse - Tupuse is a kind and conscientious member of Te Kete Aronui. He looks out for his friends, and is there to support and encourage them. Tupuse quietly gets on with his work and is a great role model. Your gentle demeanour is such a pleasure to have in our kete. Thank you for showing atawhai.

TKT: Keesha - Keesha wrote and delivered an excellent speech called 'The Importance of Kindness'. The reason Keesha deserves the Atawhai award in TKT this week is that she 'Walks her Talk'. This is an excerpt from her speech. "Treat someone how you would treat yourself. Mean what you say. Be inclusive and make someone's day!" Keesha also reminded us to be kind to ourselves. Thank you for your thoughtful speech and thank you for your kind actions Keesha.

STAFF: Ms Tayler, Mrs Hodge and Mrs Guerin - these three kaiako have been very busy over the term preparing their respective dance teams for competitions. The vast majority of these practices and performances have taken place in the teachers' lunch breaks, evenings or weekends! Thank you for showing atawhai in this way Stacey, Carlee and Amy - I appreciate your willingness to provide these opportunities to those with a passion.

Thank you to each of you for making our kura a better place to be!

I wish everyone a wonderful weekend - the first weekend of spring - yay!

Happy Father's Day for Sunday to all the dads too!

Ngā mihi nui

Lin Dixon

Happy Father's Day

TO ALL THE DADS.
THE NOT YET DADS.
THE STEPDADS
THE MOMS WHO ARE DAD.
THE ADOPTIVE DADS.
THE GRANDADS.
AND THE DADS WHO ARE
NO LONGER WITH US.



Plant to Plate

Plant to plate came to Hokowhitu School on Wednesday. Plant to plate focuses on teaching children about growing produce and using that produce in cooking delicious and nutritious meals. They are mostly volunteer run, with a cooking coordinator and gardening coordinator leading the programme. They sat and enjoyed the delicious food created together as a big group.

The links to the recipes that the children made on Wednesday are below.



[BANANA BREAD](#)
[MIXED VEGE BITES](#)
[AVOCADO BROWNIE](#)
[FLAT BREAD](#)
[ORANGE FIZZ](#)
[VEGE BOLOGNAISE](#)



Ways you can contact the office when your child/children will be absent or late -

Email - office@hokowhitu.school.nz

Phone (You can also leave a voicemail) - 06 357 9667

App - [https://schoolappsnz.co.nz/login/](https://schoolapps.nz.co.nz/login/)

School cell phone (you can ring or text this number) - 027 357 9021

Please contact us as soon as you know your child will be late or is not coming to school as it can take a long time to contact everybody that doesn't contact us. We do this to ensure your child is safe and not a missing child. Please do not contact the teacher directly, they don't always see emails when they are teaching. Thank you.



Sports & Sports Uniforms

We have had a large number of registrations for some of our sports this term. Due to the numbers in teams that we can have (from the Manawatu sporting associations), we **MUST** have registration cut offs. If we do not have enough numbers for teams they do allow us extra time to find players. We are not trying to be "mean" when we deny you to be able to register after cut off dates (of highly wanted sports). You see it as adding 'just 1 extra' into a team, we see it as up to 20 people asking to be added into a team.

Thank you for your understanding that it is not as simple as it seems when putting together sports teams.

We encourage every single child to participate in a sport.

ALL children who are not playing a summer sport e.g., Hockey, Soccer, Touch, Volleyball **NEED** to **return sports uniforms** washed and clean to the office please.

Sports uniform hireage information - When you hire a sports uniform, you hire it for the school year, regardless of how many sports your child plays in this time. This is a cost of \$20 a year.

If sports uniforms are not returned when called back, you will be invoiced for a replacement as each uniform costs \$70 to replace.

Sports uniforms were issued on Tuesday to the people who requested one from Kindo. If you did not receive one and need one you will need to log into kindo and order a uniform.

If you have any questions, please contact Carlee Hodge - c.hodge@hokowhitu.school.nz.

Achievement Awards



Te Kete Wakahuia

Welcome to **Sebastian** who has joined us in Waka this week. Happy school days Sebastian!

Arlo - It has been a pleasure having you in our class Arlo - what a ray of sunshine you are!

Tanish - For trying so hard to use scissors correctly - keep up the great attitude Tanish!

Nora - You are a fantastic role model during dance sessions. Your skipping is amazing.

Asher F - For showing enthusiasm in literacy workshops.

Meilah - For working hard on your patterns in maths.

Suyog - For always trying your best in maths workshops. Tino pai.

Harkamal - For taking great pride in the presentation of your work. Tino pai!

Rhyan - For learning our ball dances very well and helping his partner learn it too. Ka pai!

Te Kete Pounamu

Kinza - For always doing his homework on Seesaw.

Benny - For making good choices in the kete and knowing when it's learning time.

Anna S - For reading with greater fluency.

Hanna - For correctly formed letters and accurate spelling in dictated sentences.

Paikea - For solving 2, 5 and 10 times tables with accuracy.

Aditya R - For reading with comprehension and understanding.

Jonah - For great independent story writing.

Zoe - For being able to complete column addition.

Te Kete Manawa

Muhammad - Growing into a wonderful role model in TKM, ka rawe!

Jessica - Fantastic bravery when sharing her poem.

Ranvir - Fantastic poetry writing about a volcano. You used some wonderful similes.

Grace - Trying hard to learn English and speak with her teachers and friends.

Lucy - You should feel so proud of yourself for getting out of your comfort zone and sharing your poem with the entire kete.

Well done **Matty, Mila L, Amelia, Liam, Isla, Imogen D, Joel** and **Naomi** who received highly commended for their efforts in the poetry competition. Special mention to **Joslyn** and **Carlos** who created their own amazing poems.

Te Kete Aronui

Madisyn - For working super hard with your independent maths tasks.

Lucas - For taking responsibility for your learning by opting into workshops that help you develop your understanding of new maths concepts.

Miya - For your super focus and energy whilst learning our Dance NZ made performance dance.

Schalk - For great effort and perseverance during gymnastics.

Molly D - For your super focus and energy whilst learning our Dance NZ made performance dance.

Kiara - For resilience and perseverance during Jump Jam.

Penelope - For showing maturity and sensibility with your peers and in friendships.

Ben - For showing confidence with your maths learning and sharing your answers and strategies with the group.

Chase - For your super focus and confidence when completing your maths tasks.

Dwayne - For your super focus and confidence when completing your maths tasks.

We apologise for missing **Amelia** from our 'special congratulations to the following children have made it into the Kete Finals' last week.

Te Kete Tangaroa

Jayden - For enthusiastically completing his maths homework.

Yena - For showing loads of enthusiasm in gymnastics.

Connor TH - Enthusiasm while gardening and preparing food.

Austin - Thank you for your hard mahi moving the school garden.

Renee - For showing kaitiakitanga in the mornings and greeting teachers with a smile.

Hannah - For willingly taking on feedback and striving to do better during literacy.

Xavier - Excellent enthusiasm and leadership at kapa haka.

Sahith - For excellent focus in word study.

Ruby R - For showing perseverance with a maths fraction strategy.



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Venue: MCA Indoor Centre - Ongley Park
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Register: via MYCOMET

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Intermediate Years

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Term 4 Registrations Open Now!

Starting Sunday October 8th 2023

Sunday Sessions

Yrs 1/2 **mini** 9am - 9:45am

Yrs 3/4 **junior** 10am - 10:45am



Yrs 5/6 **pro** 11am - 12:30pm

Yrs 7/8 **all star** 1pm - 2:30pm

Teaching Gym

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**VENUE: Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School
Gym, Entrance off South St.**

BRING: Drink, Snack food, Non-Marking Runners/Shoes

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Enrolments & Enquiries to Josh Curry
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CITY WELCOME

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SATURDAY 2 SEPTEMBER, 10.30AM

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