

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th of March 2023

Important Upcoming Events 2023

15 March	12.00pm Inter School triathlon (selected Y 5-6 students)
16 March	NEW EVENT - Teacher's Strike Please keep your children home on Thursday if at all possible
17 March	9am School assembly - TKP sharing their learning
21 March	5.30pm Board meeting
22 March	Duathlon practice
23 March	DATE CHANGE ON THIS EVENT (no longer the 16th of March) 9am Years 1 - 3 duathlon
28 March	Rippa Rugby Tournament (selected Y 5-6 students)
28 March	5.30 - 6.30pm Goal setting evening - surnames A - L (not Waka)
30 March	5.30 - 6.30pm Goal setting evening - surnames M - Z (not Waka)
31 March	9am Assembly - TKW sharing their learning
4 April	Kids Lit Quiz
4 April	Manawatu Primary Schools Road Race (selected Y 5-6 students)
6 April	Cultural celebration parade Last day of Term 1
24 April	SCHOOL CLOSED - teacher only day
25 April	SCHOOL CLOSED - ANZAC day public holiday
26 April	Day 1 of Term 2 for the tamariki (children)
2 June	SCHOOL CLOSED - teacher only day
5 June	SCHOOL CLOSED - public holiday for the sovereign's birthday



Update from the Principal

Kia ora koutou
Ngā mihi kia koutou

You will have seen in the upcoming events section of this newsletter that we have **Goal Setting** evenings coming up. At goal setting evenings the tamariki (children) are given a 'run sheet' to guide them in leading you through a series of activities. This will include meeting each teacher in the kete, having a discussion about the way they have settled into the year, routines etc. There will be an opportunity for you to complete a brief online survey that gives us information about how we are managing 'cultural competence' in our kura (school), opportunities to view books, art work etc and generally enjoy sharing the classroom environment. There are no set appointment times, you can spend as much or as little time in the kete as you like. You will leave the kete with a sheet that indicates how your child is progressing following our term 1 assessments, and goals that have been set for literacy and numeracy.

The reason that tamariki in Waka are not included in these sessions is because teachers meet with whānau after your child has been at school for 6 weeks and give you all this information at that time. We will send the survey link home, so you don't miss out on this.

The reason we request that families with surnames A-L come on the **28th of March** and surnames M - Z come on the **30th of March**, is simply to spread the numbers across the school. If your allocated evening is impossible for you to make, please feel free to come on the other night. Teachers look forward to meeting with you and encourage every whānau to come along.

TEACHER'S STRIKE

NZEI, the primary teacher's union, has been negotiating with the Ministry of Education around the terms and conditions of their collective employment agreement which has expired. Members have voted to strike because they believe the funding for our schools is not sufficient to give teachers the time and resources to teach.

NZEI has called a national strike scheduled for next Thursday the 16th of March. Reluctantly, this means that we need to advise that there will be no regular programmes at school next Thursday. You will receive a note on Monday asking you to keep your tamariki home next Thursday if at all possible. (The supervision available at school will be limited).

INTERSCHOOL TRIATHLON

Congratulations to the 10 Year 5 and 10 Year 6 students who have been selected to participate in this event next Wednesday.

Year 5 girls: **Hannah P, Ava S, Cherry T, Willa H, Ella S**

Year 5 boys: **Austin D, Viktor D, Ollie C, Will M, Luke T**

Year 6 girls: **Haylee W, Emily C, Olive L, Charlotte H, Maya N**

Year 6 boys: **Riley A, Cooper W, Alexey L, Xavier L, Sahith L-A**

We wish each of you well as you compete at the 'next level' - racing against the best triathletes from other schools in the area. 'Torongia ki te tihi o te maunga' - we know each of you will be STRIVING to be the best you can be,

Sincere thanks to the TKT staff that has trained the team and to each of the parents who are helping with transport and support of the team on the day.

WEETBIX TRYATHLON

The school has set up a school group for ease of entering. The Palmerston North Weet-bix Tryathlon will be held on Tuesday, 21 March 2023 at Ongley Park. The school does not class this as an official school event and will not be sending a teacher to the event. It is up to individual parents and caregivers to enter, organise and support their child at this event. If there is a group of parents happy to organise the picking up and setting up of our school marquee you are welcome to come and borrow it

Below is our SCHOOL GROUP specific link. This link will enable you to enter with ease!

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=48065&G=161389>



Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Ngā mihi
Lin Dixon



Sport

Basketball 2023 - Term 2

Registrations will close on Tuesday 21st March! No late entries will be accepted.

Registrations are now open for **year 3-6** players who wish to play basketball.

Fees for the season will be \$91

Games will be played at CET Arena on Thursdays beginning 4th of May.

Children will be required to wear a mouthguard when playing.

Coaches will be needed for all teams.

PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR THE KINDO LINK TO REGISTER & HIRE A SPORTS UNIFORM

<https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Hokowhitu%20School>.

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



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 - See how to download the App below

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.

Important Information for Parents & Guardians

Please download our school App if you haven't already, all **IMPORTANT/URGENT** notifications will come through this channel. Follow the directions as stated below

Download the
Hokowhitu
School App

Absentee
Phone or send an email to the Absence Office.

Contacts
Phone or email contacts for school staff and key contacts.

School Info
View, download and share school info here.

Calendar
View upcoming events and add individual events to your calendar.

Newsletters
View, download and share our Newsletters here.

Alerts
View alerts, and remove by swiping an alert left.

Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and Search 'SchoolAppsNZ' to download the app onto your device.

Then search 'Your School Name' to find your school's app.

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School Apps^{NZ}
an App mobile

Get in touch with us at support@snapp.co.nz
www.schoolappsnz.co.nz

Achievement Awards



Te Kete Wakahuia

Beaudi - Fantastic counting - Ka rawe!

Brodie - Great contributions to class discussions.

James D-H - For showing atawhai at fitness time towards another class member.

Thea - For being able to cooperate in a group to achieve a task.

Sid - For being a kind and caring class member.

Meilah - For trying so hard to blend sounds as you read words. Tino pai.

Liana - For being a kind friend and a super listener. Tino pai!

Zara - For showing great enthusiasm for learning. Ka pai!

Te Kete Pounamu

Rose - For trying your best at independent story writing.

Cici - For sounding out unknown words in her reading.

Daeun - For writing about the BIG DAY out independently.

Qasim - For finding half of a number using materials.

Anna W - For an excellent result in her number knowledge test.

Harley - For an excellent result in his number knowledge test.

Lohan D - For encouraging others to show STRIVE.

Jonah - For reading with accuracy.

Te Kete Manawa

Henry - For sharing great ideas in maths.

Carlos - For working hard to present work well.

William C - For reading carefully for meaning.

Georgia - For being a great role model.

Jade - For working quickly to complete tasks.

Congratulations to the following Top 30 winners: **Olivia, Jakeob, Lorenzo, Rylan, Amelia, and Rory.**

Te Kete Aronui

Will - For your enthusiasm with our number knowledge strategy games.

Ruixin - For working hard to learn the routines of the kete.

Richard - For great work using regrouping to solve equations.

Kate - For a fantastic effort with your word study.

Emma - For your enthusiasm to help around the kete.

Fin - For demonstrating perseverance in maths.

Amelia - For an excellent effort with your calculation map in maths.

Minoo - For follow instructions during whanau time.

Leon - For showing enthusiasm when taking part in our numeracy games.

Te Kete Tangaroa

Eden - For an outstanding effort in Reading scoring in the top 11% nationally.

Xavier - For practising his spelling words lots.

Angela - For an interesting piece of writing with lots of descriptive language.

Jack - For an outstanding effort in Maths scoring in the top 4% nationally.

Mila - Working hard in her basic fact's booklet.

Yena - For enthusiasm in Maths learning about number sentences.

Juha - Excellent job during our Pātaka learning.

Alexis - For being a great example in our Kete. Showing atawhai, leadership and initiative.

Hannah - For showing ngā whakapuke every day. Ka rawe!



Community Notices

We're doing some work at Hokowhitu Domain soon

We're letting you know that soon we'll be upgrading some of the services at Hokowhitu Domain.

This includes upgrading the pipes running from the public toilets to our wastewater network near the road. We have attached a picture of the worksite over the page for you.

Our contractors are starting on Monday 6 March, and they expect to finish by late March. They'll be working weekdays, between 7:30am to 5pm, and they're doing the work in two stages, so you won't see them onsite all the time.

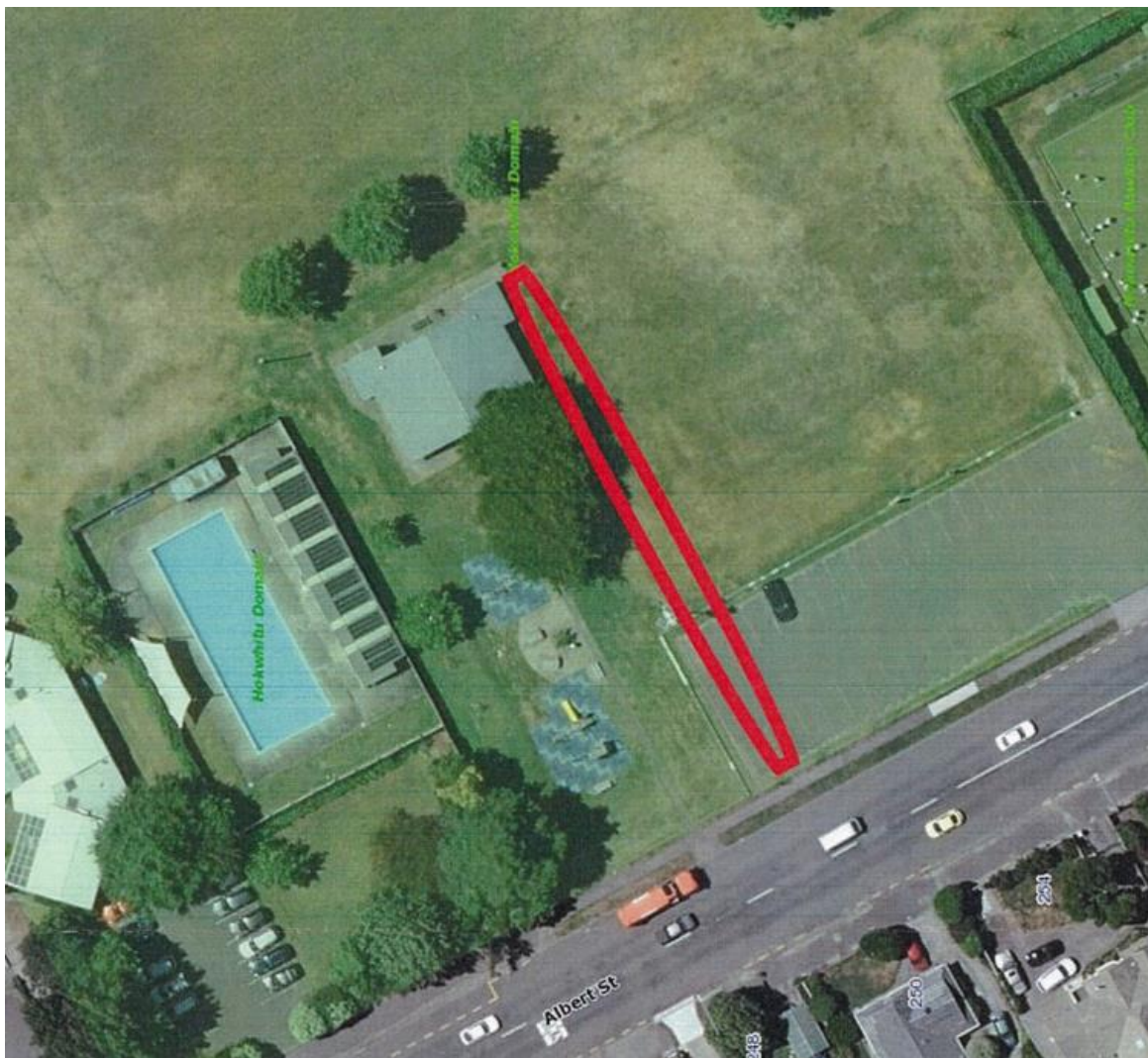
You'll see some machinery and safety fencing where they're working. They'll try to keep any disruption to a minimum, but there will be some noise during the day as they work.

While the playing field remains open, a small section of the car park will be unavailable to the public during the period of work.

We appreciate your understanding as we work to improve our public facilities for everyone.

PROPERTY TEAM

Palmerston North City Council



Do you want some farm fresh eggs?

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL

Order your eggs on the website below (and use your code) before midnight Tuesday and they will be delivered super fresh to collect on Thursday from outside the office when you pick up your little people! You can even set up a subscription and it happens like magic!

Free Range Dozen - \$8.50
Organic Dozen - \$10.50

We will give back \$1.00 per dozen to help fundraise as well!



YOUR CODE is SCH-003

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SHUTTLE TIME

NEW ZEALAND

Shuttle Time is a worldwide programme that aims to give kids of all ages & abilities an enjoyable & accessible badminton experience. Get your kids involved in the world's fastest growing racquet sport!

This programme is for children 7 – 18 years.

The Merit/Bronze class is perfect for beginners, while Silver/Gold progress in level & are perfect for aspiring Rep players or anyone wanting to develop their skills.

COST: \$40 (\$30 for PNINS Students)

For more information about Shuttle Time, visit www.bwfshuttletime.com

For enquiries about the programme and to register your child, contact Josh Curry
josh@manawatubadminton.org.nz, or 02102435085

Shuttle Time Merit & Bronze/Silver/Gold Classes

Time: Fridays,
Merit/Bronze 3.45-4.30pm
Silver/Gold 4.30-5.15pm

Venue: Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School Gym, South St Entrance

Date: March 3rd – March 31st (5 sessions)



LEARN2TRAIN

BASKETBALL PROGRAM

KAIZEN - CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

WHEN: EVERY FRIDAY 4-5PM
FOR 5 WEEKS!
MARCH 3,10,17,24,31

WHERE: **CET ARENA**
GATE 4 ENTRANCE

COST: **\$65 PER PLAYER**

PLEASE DIRECT QUESTIONS TO TANIA HUNTER:
DEVELOPMENT@MANAWATU.BASKETBALL



Proudly delivered by Basketball Manawatu and the Property Brokers Jets



Under The Lamp is an opportunity for young singers from Years 1 to 8 to try out their vocal talents on stage in a supportive and inspiring environment.

Evenings are held once each term at The Stomach, a PNCC owned performance and recording venue in Lombard Street in the City Centre.

Singers perform a song they have prepared (typically to a backing track but live instrumental backing is also encouraged).

Following the performance, they will be provided with some constructive and supportive feedback from a guest mentor.

Entry is free for both singers and by gold coin donation for supporters.

The next Under the Lamp Show is on the 23rd March 2023 at 6pm.

Registration is now open by filling in a short online form via the QR code below.

Registrations via email and Facebook will be directed to the online booking form.

You can still contact us with questions, comments and suggestions at:

underthelampnz@gmail.com / Facebook: [@underthelampnz](https://www.facebook.com/underthelampnz)



Girls Brigade (www.girlsbrigade.nz)

New friends, new skills, fun activities and opportunities.

For girls aged from 5 years and above. Come along and give it a go.

We have companies in:

Highbury/Takaro - Tuesday: Juniors: 4.45-6.15pm, Seniors & Pioneers: 6.00-8.00pm - Suzanne Ph: 356 1974

LIBLAB



LIBRARY FUN WITH A TOUCH OF LABORATORY MADNESS & BOOK EXPERIMENTATION

CHILDREN'S ZONE | 3:45-4:45PM |

Aimed at ages 5+ | No bookings | FREE

MARCH

2

HIDDEN MYSTERIES

DISCOVER AND MAKE YOUR OWN RELICS

MARCH

9

TIME DIGGERS!

CREATE A TIME CAPSULE

MARCH

16

MAP EXPLORERS!

EXPLORE MAPS AND A CREATIVE MAP CHALLENGE

MARCH

23

FANTASTIC FOTOGRAHY & TERRIFIC TREES

PERILOUS PORTRAITS & FAMILY TREES

MARCH

30

HEAR YE HEAR YE!

MAKE A FUTURE HISTORICAL NEWSPAPER

APRIL

6

PUTTING ON THE RITZ!

AFTERNOON TEA 1920'S STYLE

Term 1 HISTORY'S HIDDEN MYSTERIES

CELEBRATING MANAWATU HERITAGE AND HISTORY

FORD RANGER NEW ZEALAND RURAL GAMES

Create your own schedule!



Rural Games App

FREE ENTRY!

Wood Chopping
Miniature Ponies
Sheep Dog Trials
Kids Tree Climbing
Highland Heavies

SPORTS THAT BUILT THE NATION

10-12 MARCH 2023

Te Marae o Hine | The Square
Papaioea | Palmerston North

DANCEWORKS STUDIOS

School Holiday Program



17th - 21st April 2023

8.30am - 5.30pm daily



SUPPORT

COOPERATION

SMASH PLAY

JUNIOR — TAMARIKI

COOPERATION

HONESTY



TEAMWORK

GREAT INITIATIVE

SMASH PLAY - MANAWATU - TERM 1, 2023

PAHIATUA

- Mondays: 3:30-4:30pm
- 27th Feb - 27th Mar

PALMERSTON NTH

- Wednesdays: 3:30-4:30pm
- 1st Mar - 29th Mar

DANNEVIRKE

- Mondays: 5:30-6:30pm
- 27th Feb - 27th Mar

PALMERSTON NTH

- Thursdays: 3:30-4:30pm
- 2nd Mar - 30th Mar

GIRLS CLUB

- Tuesdays: 3:30-4:30pm
- 28th Feb - 28th Mar

FIELDING

- Fridays: 3:30-4:30pm
- 3rd Mar - 31st March



\$20 registration fee per player

TO REGISTER: please contact Logan@mca.org.nz

