

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th of March 2023

Important Upcoming Events 2023

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
3 April	Ballot for out of zone enrolments (see below for details)
4 April	Kids Lit Quiz
4 April	Manawatu Primary Schools Road Race (selected Y 5-6 students)
6 April	Cultural celebration parade and shared kai (lunch) 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)
9 May	5.30pm Board meeting. Everyone welcome
16 May	11.30am School cross country. Supporters welcome to attend
19 May	11.30am Postponement date for school cross country
2 June	SCHOOL CLOSED - teacher only day
5 June	SCHOOL CLOSED - public holiday for the sovereign's birthday

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.



Update from the Principal

Kia ora koutou
Ngā mihi kia koutou

Congratulations to all the Year 1 - 3 tamariki who participated in the duathlon event yesterday. It was great to see the perseverance and determination shown - even for those who find themselves challenged by running and/or biking in race conditions.

Special congratulations to our place getters in each event.

Placings	Year 1 - Girls	Year 1 - Boys	Year 2 - Girls	Year 2 - Boys	Year 3 - Girls	Year 3 - Boys
1	Zoe	Jaxxon	Joy	Carter	Joslyn	K-J
2	Darcy	Asher	Zoe	Lachie	Afokoula	Edward
3	Sadie	Luke	Isla H	Paxton	Olivia	Rory
4	Blythe	Oakley	Evie	Michael	Madison	James
5	Thea	Max	Darcy	Te Kekerewai	Charlotte T	Brodie
6	Maggie	Conor	Ava M	Ron	Antonella	Oscar
7	Nora	James L	Anna S	Vasily	Georgia	Joel
8	Nina	Finley	Isla D	Aditya R	Yuleena	Oliver
9		Jude	Lilianna	Harley	Daeun	Leo W
10		Oliver	Eliza	Henry	Isabella	Hudson

Thank you to everyone who came along to support and cheer along the competitors - what a glorious day the weather provided us with too.

GOAL SETTING EVENINGS - next week

At goal setting evenings the tamariki (children) are given a 'run sheet' to guide them in leading you through a series of activities. This may include meeting each teacher in the kete, having a discussion about the way they have settled into the year, routines etc. While you are here, we ask that you complete a brief online survey that gives us important information about how we are managing 'cultural competence' in our kura (school), opportunities to view books, artwork 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.

The survey is only to be completed ONCE, if you have more than one child in our school, just choose one kete to complete this in.

You will leave the kete with a sheet sharing the goals that have been set for literacy and numeracy. (except for Huia children who have had or will soon be having a 6-month interview shortly).

Specific appointments can be made (after these evenings) to speak in more detail with your child's whānau teacher if required - however the goal setting evenings are your opportunity to speak with each of the teachers, as in many cases their whānau teacher may not be their literacy or numeracy teacher.

Children in TKW who have recently had (or are about to have) a 6 week or 6-month interview do not attend goal setting. Please check with your child's whānau teacher if you are unsure.

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.

CULTURAL CELEBRATION

Over term 1 we have been inquiring around Tūrangawaewae - the place where we feel especially empowered and connected. Tūrangawaewae is our foundation, our place in the world, our home.

For many children at our kura (school), their roots/ancestry has them identify with a culture other than NZ European or NZ Māori - we feel honoured to be so diverse here at Hokowhitu School and want to celebrate this in some way.

So on the last day of this term, we will be having a 'non-uniform' day and encourage the children to come to school wearing something that represents a country that is special to them. It is fine to be a 'kiwi' too of course. We will have a whole school parade at the start of the day, so do stay and enjoy this if you can.

Some costumes/outfits may be delicate and very special - if this is the case for you, please send along another set of clothes to change into after the 9am parade.

Each kete will be having a shared kai (lunch) at 12.45pm that day. We would love the food you send along to school for sharing on this day to also represent your special culture.

Thank you in anticipation of your support to make this a great day for all the tamariki (children).

BALLOT FOR OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS

A ballot for 'out of zone' enrolments for New Entrants starting school in Terms 3 and 4 of 2023 is being held on the 3rd of April.

A ballot for 'out of zone' enrolments for the remainder of 2023 for students at Years 2 - 6 is also being held on the 3rd of April.

If you know of someone who would like to enrol at our school, please ask them to contact us immediately for enrolment forms. These must be returned to school by next Friday the 31st of March.

Please note - **everyone** who lives outside our zone needs to have their application in to us by this date. **This applies even if you already have children at our kura.** Our board has made a commitment to always support sibling enrolments; however, we **MUST** have the information before the ballot so that we know for sure how many spaces we have.

A wait list will be formed if we have more applications than spaces (and this is likely in some year groups).

Happy weekend everyone.

Ngā mihi
Lin Dixon



Sport

Basketball 2023 - Registrations are now closed

Winter Hockey - Keep an eye here for registrations coming soon. This will be a short registration period.
No late registrations will be accepted for this!

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

Achievement Awards



Te Kete Wakahuia

A big Hokowhitu welcome to **Namish** who has joined us in Waka this week!

Jacob - For helping others pack their bag at the end of the day - Thank you Jacob!

Victoria - For working hard at math rotations.

Ivy - For your confidence in speaking in te reo Māori especially when we say our karakia.

Ungatea - For showing kindness in helping others.

Te Kete Pounamu

Deon - For awesome biking skills.

Noah - For using excellent expression when reading.

Inwoo - For always valuing others!

Leo Z - For being a super helper when we have relievers in TKP.

Ibrahim - For accurately spelling silent - e syllable words.

Ihaia - For accurately spelling silent - e syllable words.

Michael - For having confidence when riding his bike.

Harper - For riding a two-wheeler bike.

Te Kete Manawa

Wow work with place value in maths - **Mason, Tilley, Jessica, Henry, and Lucy!** Congratulations to our STRIVE Top 30 draw winner **Henry**.

Te Kete Aronui

Hasan - For excellent work habits during independent tasks in Maths.

Schalk - For a great effort during our Maths workshops.

Olivia G - For a great effort during our basketball session for PE.

Chris - For contributing your ideas and understanding during our Inquiry Turangawaewae and our Pataka.

Penelope - For your contributions in our literacy workshops.

Hawaiki - For great work with column addition and regrouping.

Tupuse - For developing and improving your bike riding skills.

Olivia S - For an awesome effort in basketball during PE.

Ronav - For your great focus during learning new maths strategies.

Te Kete Tangaroa

Cooper W - For an excellent effort in writing.

Seojun - For an excellent effort in writing.

Declan - For doing an excellent job on road patrol.

Ava M - For practising using lots of addition strategies.

Kiya - For practising using lots of addition strategies.

Wonil - For saying "Good Morning" to his peers and adults with a smile.

Emily - For managing her time wisely.

Billy - For being a focussed learner.

Ruby M - For spelling so accurately.



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.

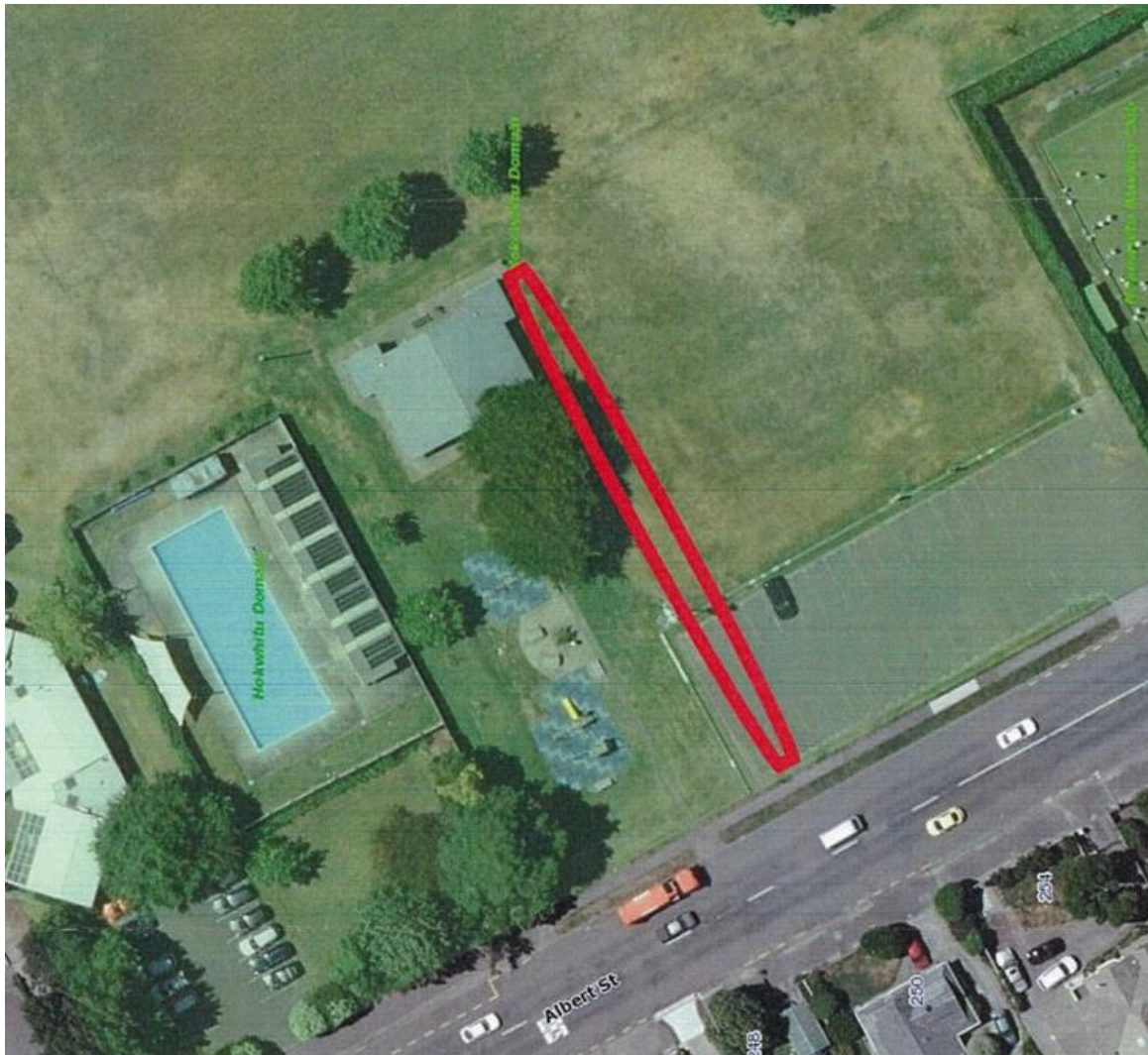
You'll see some machinery and safety fencing where they're working. They'll try to keep any disruption to a minimum, but there will be some noise during the day as they work.

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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NEXT CHAPTER PARENTING

TIPS AND STRATEGIES FOR PARENTS ON THE GO
OR THOSE WHO JUST PLAIN NEED HELP!

PARENTS!

Looking for some ideas
In your parenting?

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SCHOOL AGE

TEENAGERS

CHECK THIS OUT!

www.nextchapterparenting.co.nz

(Courses also offered either
individually or group)

WINZ SUBSIDISED WHERE APPLICABLE

Contact: brigid@nextchapterparenting.co.nz



UCOL Te Pūkenga and Manawatū Rugby Union host the
Hurricanes public talk

31 March 2023 | Public talk begins at 6.30pm | Manawatū campus atrium

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UCOL Te Pūkenga & Manawatū Rugby host the Hurricanes.
Hear speakers sharing insights on the importance of learning
and player development.

HURRICANES
SIGNING SESSION

SAT 1 APRIL

1.30PM - 2.30PM

TE AWE AWE QUAD,
THE SQUARE

SUN 2 APRIL - GAME DAY! →

IF YOU HAVEN'T GOT YOUR
TICKETS YET, GET THEM AT
HURRICANES.CO.NZ

Proud community partners:





DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A TUMMY BUG?

Free help and advice is available from your community pharmacist.



Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand
Te Pae Hauora o Ruahine o Taranaki MidCentral

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Has your tamariki got a sticky, puffy eye?

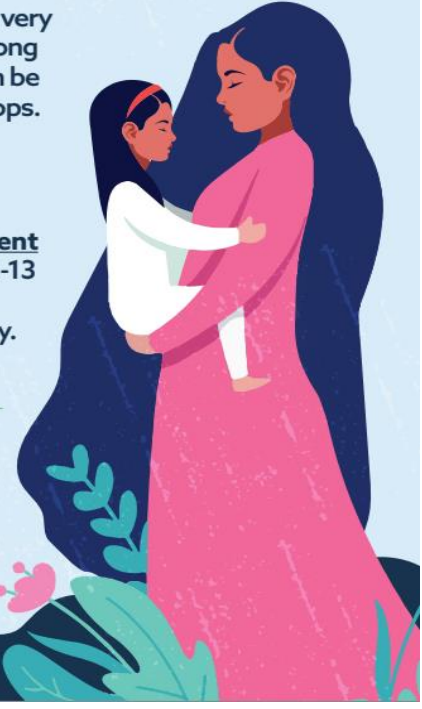
Bacterial Conjunctivitis is very common, particularly among younger children, and can be easily treated with eyedrops.

You don't need to go to your GP.

You can get **free treatment** for tamariki aged aged 2-13 from your local participating pharmacy.

ASK US ABOUT IT TODAY.

This service is funded by THINK Hauora and MidCentral Community Pharmacy Group.



TRUE Hoops 2 day Easter CAMP

AGES 9+

Calling all basketball players! TRUE HOOPS Easter Camp is the perfect way to spend your Easter break! Our camp is designed to help young athletes sharpen their skills and have a great time. Our experienced coaches will provide instruction on the fundamentals of basketball, along with drills and games to help you hone your abilities. So sign up today and let us help you take your basketball game to the next level this Easter!



CAMP DETAILS

- April 12th & 13th
- 9.00am - 3.00pm
- Arena Manawatu
- \$90 for 2 days
\$60 for 1 day

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NETBALL MANAWATU PRESENTS...

ACTIVE APRIL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

YEAR 1 - 6

COME AND JOIN US FOR SOME NETBALL FUN IN THE FIRST WEEK OF THE APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

TUESDAY 11TH APRIL
NETBALL UMPIRING FOCUS

WEDNESDAY 12TH APRIL
NETBALL SKILLS FOCUS

THURSDAY 13TH APRIL
NETBALL SMART FOCUS

GAME PLAY, TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITIES AND A SWIM WILL BE INCLUDED IN EACH DAY!

\$30 - 1 DAY \$50 - 2 DAYS
\$65 - 3 DAYS

9:00AM - 3:00PM DAILY

VAUTIER PARK, PALMERSTON NORTH