

# HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2023

## Important Upcoming Events 2023

<b>29 June</b>	Basic Fact-a-thon PTA fundraiser sheets come home today
<b>30 June</b>	Final day of term 2
<b>17 July</b>	First day of Term 3
<b>17 July - 11 August</b>	Rostered cycling programme with Sport Manawatu support
<b>21 July</b>	Mid-year reports home in bags this afternoon
<b>25 July</b>	Celebrating Learning evening 5.30 - 6.30pm (surnames A - L)
<b>27 July</b>	Celebrating Learning evening 5.30 - 6.30pm (surnames M - Z)
<b>1 August</b>	5.30pm Board meeting - staffroom
<b>4 August</b>	School disco (Years 1 - 3, and Years 4 - 6) - times to be advised
<b>10 August</b>	Basic fact-a thon
<b>11 August</b>	Mathex competition for selected Year 5 and 6 students

## SAVE THIS DATE SCHOOL CENTENARY - 5TH AND 6TH APRIL 2024

Hokowhitu School celebrates its 100th anniversary next year. A committee has been formed to start the planning process.

Spread the word to any ex-pupils/colleagues who you think may be interested in attending.

More details to come. Watch the newsletter, keep an eye on the school website - registration details to come.



## *Update from the Principal*

Kia ora koutou  
Ngā mihi kia koutou

Wishing all our Muslim whānau a blessed Eid al-Adha filled with celebration, community, and service to others. We hope you had a fantastic celebration over recent days.

### **COMMUNITY CONSULTATION FEEDBACK**

Further analysis of the recent survey -

*How satisfied are you that Hokowhitu School is inclusive and respectful of cultural diversity?*

86% of all respondents were 'satisfied', 12% were neutral and the remaining 3% unsatisfied.

76% of our Māori respondents were 'satisfied', 21% neutral and the remaining 3% unsatisfied.

*Responses to events or celebrations that are important to your culture that you would like to see incorporated into the school year included:*

Diwali, Eid/Ramadan, Easter/Christmas, Pōwhiri, Thanksgiving, Dance from different cultures, Chinese New Year, Singing God Save the King, Solstices/equinoxes.

*How satisfied are you that students are taught effectively how to manage relationships and deal with conflict?*

63% of all respondents were satisfied, 32% neutral and 4% unsatisfied.

62% of our Māori respondents were 'satisfied', 31% neutral and the remaining 6% unsatisfied.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to participate in this survey. I will continue to share responses next term.

### **TE PAE TAMARIKI**

The performance of our tamariki at this festival on Monday gave me goosebumps - it was just magic to see our roopu perform with such passion and pride. Sincere thanks to everyone who supported this in some way.



## TE AŌ MĀORI HUI

What a night this was! Kapa haka started the evening off with a great performance, the classrooms were full of whānau participation and fun, we received some whānau voice in the staffroom, and the soup kitchen..... was absolutely the place to be.

We are VERY grateful to everyone for the generous donations of vegetables for our soup. A big thank you to Kevin and Agnes from aPlus for your sizable vegetable contribution too. The school had a sweet 'soupy' aroma for several days. We know that a large number of tamariki surprised themselves by enjoying a warm cup (or two) of vege soup too!

Thanks so much for coming, for bringing extended whānau and for being a positive part of our home/school partnership.



## BASIC FACT-A-THON - forms came home yesterday

The first PTA fundraiser for Term 3 is a fabulous way to increase each child's knowledge of the 'very important' basic facts, AND to raise money for the school. Both 'number' and 'basic fact' knowledge are key parts of success in mathematics. It is completely optional as to whether the ākonga participate in the fundraising aspect of this activity - however having some sponsors can be hugely motivating to practise drill learning these facts. All sponsorship forms need to be returned by Friday 4th August (even if they are empty) in preparation for testing the following week.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable weekend, followed by a fabulous term break. Be safe, be happy. We look forward to seeing everyone at 8.30am on the 17th of July, refreshed and ready for a really busy term three!

Ngā mihi nui  
Lin Dixon

## **Sport**



### **Hockey -**

This week the **Hokowhitu Black Sticks** completed their third win in a row against the LSS Stars with a convincing 4-0 score. This backs up the previous two wins against the LSS Comets and Parkland Panthers. The team has really come together well, playing both outstanding offence and defence, and with so many outstanding performances, picking player of the day was quite a challenge. Attacking player of the day went to **James**, with some excellent shots on goal, defensive player of the day went to **Willa**, with her outstanding defence in the second half.







Hokowhitu School will be offering YEAR 4, 5 AND 6 STUDENTS the ICAS assessment this year. **All entries must be completed by Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> of July.**

### What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee, and Digital Technologies.

Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals.

Learn more about ICAS [here](https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas). (<https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas>)

### How to participate in ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

1. read about ICAS subjects and prices [here](https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas): ([icasassessments.com/products-icas](https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas))
2. read the terms and conditions [here](https://www.icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Parents-PPS-TsCs_final.pdf): ([icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Parents-PPS-TsCs\\_final.pdf](https://www.icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Parents-PPS-TsCs_final.pdf))
3. go to Parent Portal to purchase tests [here](https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps): ([shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps](https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps)) enter our school's access code – **PWX570**
4. enter your child's details, select the tests you would like to purchase, then proceed to payment.

After payment is made via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, please keep this for your records.

#### Dates of Hokowhitu School ICAS testing

- Digital Technologies - Monday 7th Aug
- Writing - Tuesday 8th Aug
- English - Monday 14th Aug
- Science - Monday 21st Aug
- Spelling Bee - Tuesday 22nd Aug
- Mathematics - Monday 28th Aug

### ICAS Results and Certificates

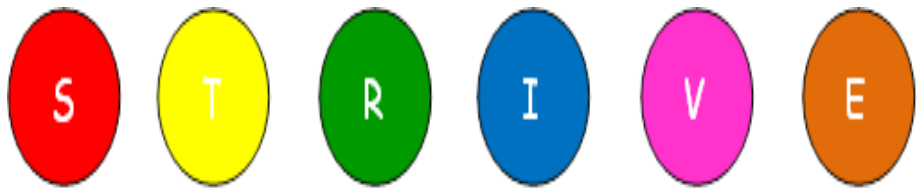
We will notify you of the date(s) that we run ICAS at the school and when your child's ICAS results are ready. Once we have received your child's ICAS certificate, we will send it home with your child. The back of the certificate shows ICAS results and the login details, "TAP ID and Pin", that you and your child need to enter the [Results Portal](https://orti.icasassessments.com/ortiStudent) [orti.icasassessments.com/ortiStudent](https://orti.icasassessments.com/ortiStudent)

Please do not hesitate to contact Reece Hawkins our DP if you have any questions

- [r.hawkins@hokowhitu.school.nz](mailto:r.hawkins@hokowhitu.school.nz)



# Achievement Awards



## Te Kete Wakahuia

**Jacob** - You are trying so hard with your handwriting Jacob - Keep it up!

**Roshni** - For striving to be your best. Kā pai.

**Gian** - For trying to manage himself and focus when on the mat. Kā pai

**Zahlaye** - For working so hard on your numbers in maths. Tino pai.

**Maggie** - For being a kind and caring member of Huia.

**Ava** - For working hard in your learning.

**Rhyan** - For trying hard to learn your heart words. Kā pai.

**Jude** - For focusing well in your maths workshops. Keep it up!

**Nina** - For working really hard in your literacy workshops. Kā pai.

## Te Kete Pounamu

Thank you, **Te Kete Pounamu** for a fantastic term. Have lovely, safe holidays and we will see you back in term 3.

## Te Kete Manawa

Congratulations to this week's Top 30 winners: **Imogen, Zareesh, Isla and Freddie.**

For completing recent task card work in literacy to a high standard: **Donnacha, Jainil, Ruby, Jamie, Alex, Matty, Lachie, Zayd.**

**Zareesh** - For sharing her culture, especially Eid al-adha celebrations with TKM.

**Brodie** - For the honesty and caring he showed when stepping up to make things right after having an issue.

## Te Kete Aronui

Thank you **Te Kete Aronui** for your efforts over Term 2. It has been great to see so many of you stepping up and we look forward to this continuing. We have appreciated your enthusiasm and the learning that we do together. Have a great break and we will see you in a couple of weeks ready to start the new term. Always remember to show atawhai!

## Te Kete Tangaroa

**Cherry** - Super work in reading.

**Aria** - Amazing performance as co-Kaea.

**Keesha** - For always showing atawhai.

**Billy** - Writing a great writing report on Dick Frizell!

**Lily** - Amazing Origami work.

**Kayno** - Super work joining in and playing team games.



## Year 6 Intermediate information for Families

### Ross Intermediate

#### Key Dates

- Contributing School Roadshow - this will be on 31 August (Monday Week 3 Term 3). On this day will present to your Year 6 students. We will be in touch closer to the time with more details.
- Open Evening - 9 August. This will take place at Ross Intermediate.
- Enrollments open from the start of Term 3
- Out of zone ballot - Opens on 31 July and closes on 8 September
- Year 6 students visiting Ross for orientation - 15 November



### PNINS

#### HOKOWHITU SCHOOL Year 6 Transition to PNINS Programme

<b>PNINS PROMO (at PNINS) - Hokowhitu (65) + 2 teachers</b> Term 3, Week 1, Thursday 20 July - 9.30 am ( Bus Pick Up Time - 9.10am/10.20am) *
<b>PNINS Enrolments Open (Online link on website)</b> Monday 31st July 9am <b>OPEN DAY Tuesday 1st August - 3 sessions ( 9.30am, 11.30am, 2pm)</b> <b>PNINS Enrolments Close</b> Friday 8 September, 4pm
<b>OUT OF ZONE BALLOT (if required)</b> Wednesday 13 September 2023 12pm All successful enrolments notified Thursday 14 September via Parent email
<b>ORIENTATION EVENING FOR YEAR 6 PARENTS</b> Thursday 21 September Performing Arts Centre (Te Tihi) PNINS, 7pm Term 3
PLUTO Links shared with Contributing Schools for teachers to complete transfer information on Year 6 Students - Week 1, Term 4 (completed by week 4, Term 4)
<b>PNINS Performing Arts Showcase* and tour at PNINS</b> For Year 6s enrolled at PNINS for 2024 week 4 Term 4, dates TBC (transport provided by Contributing Schools)
DP AND SENCO TO VISIT CONTRIBUTING SCHOOLS TO DISCUSS NEXT YEAR'S INTAKE Week 5 Term 4 Dates TBC

\* Organised by PNINS



Longburn  
Adventist College

# OPEN DAY

Wednesday, 26 July 2023



Christian  
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&  
Academic  
Success

*A Christian Year 7-13 Day and Boarding School*

Day Tour: 9:30am,  
11:30am, 12:30pm

Evening Programme:  
6:00pm to 7:30pm

Book a Day or Evening Tour at:  
[lac.school.nz/open-day/](http://lac.school.nz/open-day/)

A: 100 Walkers Road, Longburn PN 4477  
P: (06) 354 1059 E: [info@lac.school.nz](mailto:info@lac.school.nz)

Whakarongo School

# Open Night

Come join us for an INTERACTIVE evening showcasing the INTERMEDIATE YEARS at WHAKARONGO SCHOOL.

**When:** Wednesday 2nd August 2023  
**Time (2 slots):** 4.00pm - 5.00pm,  
5.00pm - 6.00pm  
**Where:** Navigator Centre (Whakarongo School)

A great chance to ask our current students and teaching team all of your *burning* questions and see lots of learning in action!

**Kia Ora!** Take a tour around our wonderful learning environment, including our technology spaces. **Nau Mail!**



# Community Notices



## PUANGA WHAKAMĀNAWA

Come celebrate the Māori new year with whānau and friends

**14 JULY / HŌNGONGOI | 3 - 7.30PM**  
**TAIKAHERE - PIT LANE**  
**CENTRAL ENERGY TRUST ARENA**

Kapa haka | Music | Kai | Storytelling | Games | Bouncy castles

Visit [pncc.govt.nz/events](http://pncc.govt.nz/events) or visit [Ngati Hineaute](#) on Facebook



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# Sc I e N Ce Ni g H Ts

Join Dr Rafea Naffa, the Fonterra science team and our science educators for a winter evening of stars, skeletons, fluorescent worms and more!

**FRI 7 JUL**  
**6 - 9PM**  
**TE MANAWA**  
**\$5PP**



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Marist Football are excited to run the FOOTBALL NZ FANTAILS PROGRAMME in Manawatu!!

A Girls only Football Hub for girls aged 7-12 years

Register online at <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/236725>

Running Term 3 & 4, Sundays 4-5pm at the Freyberg School Gym

23/07/2023 - 17/09/2023 & 15/10/2023 to 26/11/2023 (16 weeks)

\$5 a session.



## WHAT KIND OF ADVENTURE ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

Girls love adventure! It's a great way to make friends, build confidence, boost self-esteem and learn new skills.

0800 22 22 92  
[GIRLGUIDINGNZ.ORG.NZ](http://GIRLGUIDINGNZ.ORG.NZ)



# YOU BE THE GUIDE

DW STUDIOS School Holiday Program



3rd - 7th July 8.30am - 5.30pm daily

Ages 5-11+ years

Dance, Crafts, Activities and more

For more information please email [admin@danceworks.co.nz](mailto:admin@danceworks.co.nz) or see our website <https://www.danceworks.co.nz>

BOOK NOW!

# 4-Kids holiday PROGRAMME

3 - 14 July 2023



BOOK NOW! [www.ycentral.nz/ykids](http://www.ycentral.nz/ykids)

This programme is funded with support from the Ministry of Social Development. WINZ subsidies available.





# FUNDRAISER EVENT

## Scout Adventure Board Games

Join us for a two-day family board gaming event during Matariki Weekend!

Help send *Jasmine, Benjamin, Katie, and Abi* to Scout Jamboree by enjoying board games, raffles, and delicious food. Bring your friends and family for an amazing time while supporting a great cause.

Don't miss out on this opportunity for gaming fun and fundraising success!

**Date/Time:** 14/15 July 9am - 9pm  
*Matariki public holiday weekend*  
**Location:** All Saints Church Hall  
 Church Rd Palmerston North

**Prices: per day**  
**Pre Booked:**  
 Adults - \$10, Child (5-13) - \$5  
**On the day:**  
 Adults - \$12, Child (5-13) - \$7,




Scan to buy tickets

for more information please email [pn.scouts.fundraising@gmail.com](mailto:pn.scouts.fundraising@gmail.com)




# Clowning Workshops for Young People

## July School Holidays 2023



**Globe Theatre, Globe Two, Papaioea**  
 3 July, 1.30-4pm, 14-18 years  
 4 July, 10-12.00pm, 8-13 years  
 4 July, 1.30-4pm, Adults 19+ years

Book a \$5 workshop at [eventfinda.co.nz](http://eventfinda.co.nz)  
 Learn more at [amygracelaura.com](http://amygracelaura.com)





# TRUE Hoops

## WINTER CAMP

Come and work with the TRUE HOOPS coaches to learn some new skills and take your game to another level!

**JULY 6 & 7**  
 9AM - 3PM  
 ARENA MANAWATU  
 \$90 FOR 2 DAYS  
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 ARENA MANAWATU

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**WEEK 1**

# CENTRAL LIBRARY

## JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME



### TUESDAY 4 JULY

#### **MONARCHS OF AOTEAROA IN WINTER: ART AND STORY SESSION WITH ERIN WILLSON 2PM-3PM**

Embark on a captivating crafting and storytime session with local author Erin Willson, as children create a mesmerizing butterfly winter scene and delve into the mysteries of these delicate creatures.  
Aimed at ages 3+

Children's Zone, First Floor

### WEDNESDAY 5 JULY

#### **DROP-IN CRAFT SESSION FANTASTICAL BEASTS AND HOW TO MAKE THEM**

**10:00AM-12PM**

Conjuror up your own fantastical magical mystical beasts like a Bowtruckle, Acromantula or a Lobalug!  
Or create your own beast!  
Aimed at ages 5+

Children's Zone, First Floor

### THURSDAY 6 JULY

#### **VERSIONS STORY WRITING FOR KIDS – THE DAY MARK TWAIN CAME TO TOWN BOOKINGS REQUIRED 10:00AM-11:30AM**

A session of ridiculous and serious writing craziness. Learn the basics of telling a story as well as some advanced techniques.  
Best for ages 8-12.  
To book email [pncl@pncc.govt.nz](mailto:pncl@pncc.govt.nz)

#### **ANDREW WILSON MAGIC SHOW 10:30AM-11:30AM**

A magical show that makes colourful and funny magical things happen right before your eyes!  
Come and have an amazing magical time.  
Free  
Children's Zone, First Floor

#### **POP UP PLAY SESSION WITH SPORT MANAWATŪ 2PM-4PM**

Join us at Te Marae o Hine - The Square with the crew from Sport Manawātū.  
Fun and games for the whole whānau to enjoy!  
Meet us on the grass in front of the basketball hoop.

### FRIDAY 7 JULY

#### **THE SILLIEST STORYTIME EVER!!!**

**10:30AM-12PM**

Let's be silly!  
Silly stories, silly songs AND a super silly mask craft.  
Aimed at ages 3-7 years

Children's Zone, First Floor

### SATURDAY 8 JULY

#### **METEGOL (UNDERDOGS) FILM SCREENING**

**4:30PM-6PM**

'Metegol' (Underdogs)  
An animated soccer comedy with a little bit of magic and whole lot of heart.  
Part of the July Football Fun Festival.

*Spanish with English subtitles*

*PG Rating*

Mezzanine Floor



**WEEK 2**

# CENTRAL LIBRARY

## JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME



### MONDAY 10 JULY

#### **DROP-IN CONSTRUCTION LAB**

**10AM-12PM**

Come and build! We have the materials  
- Lego and more!  
Get into construction mode!  
**Children's Zone, First Floor**

#### **CANINE FRIENDS PET THERAPY VISIT**

**2PM-3PM**

Come and say hello to our dog pals  
from Canine Friends Pet Therapy.  
**Children's Zone, First Floor**



### TUESDAY 11 JULY

#### **HAVE-A-GO WITH ROBOTICS BOOKINGS REQUIRED**

**3:00PM-4:30PM**

Get hands on with a range of robots  
to construct, programme and interact with.  
An automated introductory session of  
technology, noise and experimentation.  
Aimed at ages 5+

**Oroua Room, Ground Floor**

To book email [pncl@pncc.govt.nz](mailto:pncl@pncc.govt.nz)  
or via <https://bit.ly/43Nu5Ye>

### WEDNESDAY 12 JULY

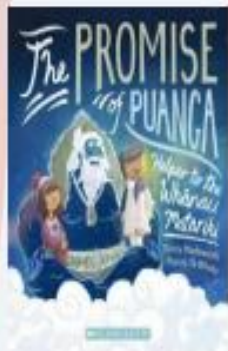
#### **A MATARIKI/PUANGA INSIGHT WITH KIRSTY & MANU BENNETT**

**10:30AM-11:30AM**

Come along for a special reading  
of the children's book:  
*The Promise of Puanga: A Story for Matariki*  
by Kirsty Bennett.  
Includes question and answer time  
and book signings,  
so bring your book along.

Accompanied by Manu Bennett's  
significance of Matariki and Puanga  
presentation  
All ages.

**Children's Zone, First Floor**



### THURSDAY 13 JULY

#### **DROP-IN CRAFT SESSION MATARIKI ART ACTIVITY**

**10AM-12PM**

Drop-in and choose from a variety of craft  
activities to create, make and celebrate  
the stars of Matariki.  
Aimed at ages 5+

**Children's Zone, First Floor**



## **RAILX 2023 MODEL RAILWAY & TRADE SHOW**

Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 July 2023

Barber Hall, Waldegrave Street

Palmerston North

10.00am to 4.00pm Daily



Twenty working train layouts based on various countries, Meccano and Lego displays, plus Trade Stands selling all associated accessories.

Adults \$10.00, Children (4 -14 years) \$5.00, Family Pass (2 adults & up to 4 children) \$30.00.

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## *School Holiday Workshop Series*

To book in email [reception@ca.org.nz](mailto:reception@ca.org.nz),  
with your child's name, and a contact phone number.

Monday 3rd July:

Time: 10:30am - 12:30pm

Poi making with Stacey - \$15pp

Location: Workshop Space at Square Edge

Friday 7th July:

Time: 10:30am - 12:30pm

Tukuluku panels with Stacey - \$15pp

Location: Workshop Space at Square Edge

Friday 7th July:

Time: 10:30am - 12:00pm

Pottery with Lorraine - Hanging Decorations - \$20pp

Location: Pottery Studio Square Edge

Wednesday 12th July

Time: 10:30am - 12:00pm

Pottery with Renna - \$20pp

Location: Pottery Studio Square Edge