



Important Upcoming Events 2023

26 June	Y 4-6 Kapa Haka ākonga to Te Pae Tamariki (Regent Theatre)	
26 June	1.30pm Soup preparation in each kete (see details below)	
27 June	THIS EVENT IS FOR EVERYONE IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY - do come along! 5pm - Te Aō Māori Evening combined with our Whānau hui. School event, school uniform please	
30 June	NEW EVENT - Whole school reward - the MOST votes went with us celebrating everyone 'STRIVING to be the best they can be' by having ONE HOUR of FREE TIME	
30 June	Final day of term 2 Basic Fact-a-thon PTA fundraiser sheets come home today	
17 July	First day of Term 3	
17 July - 11 August	Rostered cycling programme with Sport Manawatu support	
21 July	Mid-year reports home in bags this afternoon	
25 July	Celebrating Learning evening 5.30 - 6.30pm (surnames A - L)	
27 July	Celebrating Learning evening 5.30 - 6.30pm (surnames M - Z)	

Te Pae Tamariki

Next Monday 26th June, our year 4-6 kapa haka students will be heading to Te Pae Tamariki at The Regent Theatre. We will be performing at approximately 10:30am. Some reminders for those students who are in the year 4-6 kapa haka group:

- All students need to be at school on time on Tuesday
 - Girls need to wear their hair up in a ponytail
- We will be getting changed at school before we leave
- We will be travelling by bus and returning to school before lunchtime
- All students will need their school jersey or jacket to wear to The Regent Theatre to keep themselves warm

Please contact Mrs Blay if you have any questions - a.blay@hokowhitu.school.nz





Update from the Principal

Kia ora koutou Ngā mihi kia koutou

Last week Mr and Mrs Masoe welcomed their first child into their whānau. We send our hugest congratulations to both Elisha and Chloe on the safe arrival of your son! We can't wait to meet him.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

At our meeting last week, the Board started to unpack the responses received in our recent community consultation. Over the coming weeks I will continue to share responses to specific questions - so everyone can see what most people thought.

How satisfied are you that your child/children's individual learning needs are recognised and catered for? 73% of all respondents responded as 'satisfied', 17% were neutral and the remaining 10% unsatisfied. 65% of our Māori respondents were 'satisfied', 17% neutral and the remaining 17% unsatisfied.

How satisfied are you that any concerns you have about your child/children's learning are listened to? 75% of all respondents reported as satisfied, 18% neutral and 7% unsatisfied.

86% of our Māori respondents indicated satisfaction, 7% neutral and 7% unsatisfied.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to participate in this survey. We will continue to work hard to meet individual needs and ensure you feel listened to regarding any concerns you may have. We are always happy to make time to meet with you to discuss your child's learning/wellbeing.

<u>TE PAE TAMARIKI</u>

We congratulate our senior Kapa Haka roopu as they represent our kura by performing at the Regent Theatre next Monday morning. A HUGE amount of mahi has gone into preparing for this performance - in fact they have been practising since the beginning of the year. They look and sound fantastic - kia pai mai hoki! I absolutely admire the commitment of both our ākonga (learners) and kaiako (teachers). A huge paki paki to Mrs Blay for her leadership, and to Mr Masoe and Miss Puts for their expertise and support of Mrs Blay.

TE AŌ MĀORI HUI - next Tuesday evening 27th June, starting at 5pm

We are excited to be offering an evening to celebrate Te Aō Māori (all things Māori), combined with our very important Whānau Hui (this was postponed last term).

Kapa Haka will perform for us, each kete will have activities for you to enjoy with the tamariki, there will be hot soup and bread rolls on offer, whānau will be warmly welcomed to 'drop into' the staffroom and share your ideas about the things we are doing well for our Māori ākonga and the things you'd like to see us do more of or introduce.

We'd love everyone (Māori and Non- Māori whānau) to come to this celebration - the staff will welcome you coming into each kete to enjoy the Matariki type activities they have prepared.

We will gladly accept a donation of a soup vegetable (e.g carrot, pumpkin, potato, leek, celery etc) to add to our soup stock - please send these to school next Monday if you can assist in this way.

If you can loan us your crockpot or soup ladle, please let your child's whānau teacher know (and ensure they are clearly named when you bring them into school).

BASIC FACT-A-THON - forms coming to you next week

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.

SUPPORT STAFF WEEK

Next week is Support Staff week. Our 'non-teaching' staff are a highly valued part of Team Hokowhitu. The teaching staff and tamariki will be honouring our support staff next week by remembering to show atawhai, give thanks and share treats!

Thank you for everything you do to support our kaiako and ākonga!

ATAWHAI AWARDS

At this morning's assembly we honoured the following people for displaying atawhai (kindness).

TKW: **Sid M** - Sid is a kind and caring member of Huia who always displays our STRIVE values. He helps others and will show special kindness towards those in need. Sid works hard on his learning and always loves to try new things. Thank you for showing atawhai Sid.

TKP: Louhan **F** - Thank you for always showing atawhai in TKP. You help others and show special kindness to others in need. You have stepped up and shown leadership when helping others to learn new things. Great job being a role model, keep it up! Kia pai mai hoki!

TKM: Jade T/H - Thank you for consistently showing atawhai in TKM. We appreciate the way you assist and communicate with students to complete tasks when English is their second language.

TKA: Jaxson M - Jaxson, you have recently been a huge help and support for your peers. You have a great sense of justice and will always look out for those who you feel haven't been treated fairly. You're willing to step up and help with anything and everything even when it isn't your responsibility. Your sense of humour and witty replies always have people laughing, even your teachers. Thank you for the care, atawhai and smiles.

TKT: **Catherine C** - We truly appreciate having you in Te Kete Tangaroa. You amaze us with your willingness to always help others and the ways that you show kindness to all those around you. You constantly strive to go above and beyond in all that you do from your dedication to learning and improving through to your offers of help within the kete. Thank you for showing atawhai.

STAFF: Mrs Bates, Mr Cooke, Mrs Christian, Mrs Donnellan, Mrs Douglas, Mrs Hughes, Mrs Janssen, Mrs MacDonald, Mrs Prisk, Mrs Vekula, Mrs Wackrow, Miss Youngs, Mrs Lynch and Mrs White: Our support staff show atawhai EVERY single day - by helping with learning, encouraging, keeping us safe, looking after unwell people, smiling, showing patience.... and the list goes on! Thank you to each of you for showing kindness in so many ways.



Wishing everyone an enjoyable weekend.

Ngā mihi nui Lin Dixon

Update from the School Board

Tēnā koutou,

When the School Board met last week, we had two main items of business. The first was a presentation by Liz Bellis (Ngāti Porou), who is a Board member at PNINS and was previously on the Turitea School Board. She kindly gave up her time to talk to us about how we, as a Board, can get better at hearing from and supporting our Māori whānau, and how to be more meaningful about our legal requirement to give effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

The second main item of business was reviewing the results of our consultation survey. Thank you to everyone who took the time to respond! We were thrilled with the response rate, with 57% of school families/whānau submitting responses. You'll have seen that Lin is now communicating key findings in her weekly updates. We were encouraged to see broad support for the school's mission and values. We have also identified some areas where we can make improvements, and some where we need to get further information. We will be using these insights in our strategic planning, as we set the direction for the school and choose how and where we invest school funds. Once the survey report is finalised, it will be published on the school website.

One of the most common areas that the survey identified for improvement was our playground areas, and I'm pleased to say that we are already at work on upgrading the senior playground after the sad loss of the big slide. Villi has been hard at work sourcing initial designs and quotes from a number of playground designers, and we are now planning to consult more widely about what would be preferred—especially by our students!

As always, if you have questions or feedback on this, or any other aspect of the school's governance, please feel free to talk to a Board member or to email us at <u>board@hokowhitu.school.nz.</u>

Ngā mihi nui, Philip Steer

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.







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

What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problemsolving 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 <u>here</u>. (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 <u>here</u>: (<u>icasassessments.com/products-icas</u>)
- 2. read the terms and conditions<u>here</u>: (icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Parents-PPS-TsCs_final.pdf)
- go to Parent Portal to purchase tests <u>here</u>: (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
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Writing

English

Science

Spelling Bee

Mathematics

- Tuesday 8th Aug
- Monday 14th Aug
 - Monday 21st Aug
 - Tuesday 22nd Aug
 - 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** orti.icasassessments.com/ortiStudent

Please do not hesitate to contact Reece Hawkins our DP if you have any questions - r.hawkins@hokowhitu.school.nz





Ki O Rahi Tournament

Students had a fantastic day yesterday at the Ki o rahi tournament. Our tamariki did Hokowhitu proud. A huge thank you to Kevin from aPlus for transporting our teams to and from the tournament. We greatly appreciate your ongoing support. Please enjoy Angela's and Rei's write up of the day.

By: Angela.LW

"On the 21st of June some of TKT went to a Ki o Rahi tournament. It was nerve racking and exciting because many different schools from places around the region of Palmerston North came. There were two Hokowhitu teams called Huia and Tuna. Every team strived really hard to play better and better. I was in Huia and every school was really good and challenging to beat.

Huia (My team) first had to verse this school called Te Kura Kaupapa Maori O Manawatū at 9:30am. I was captain that round and I had to do rock, paper, and scissors with the other captain to decide which role to play first. Our team got to be taniwha (taniwha has to hit the tupu/bin to bank points) first. When the game started, we started really well as taniwha, we found the other team's weaknesses and just hit the tupu. We got three or six points from just doing that until we became kīoma. Then they were hitting the tupu a lot, so we lost that game 6 to 10. We saw our mistakes and fixed them. We started practising passing the ball while waiting for the next match, Winchester School. We won that game 9 to 3! After the long game we went to get food. We got free lunches, like water, sausages, and burgers. They tasted really good! Soon we had to verse this school called West End. They had fast people but that isn't going to stop Huia. We lost sadly, but it was very close. We lost by just one point. I felt very disappointed but at least we had fun doing it. We had two more ki o rahi games against Ashhurst and College Street, we lost both of them. They were really challenging to play against. It was an enjoyable tournament even though we lost some games and did not get to the final or the semi-final. We made lots of memories together and had lots of smiles and laughs and we also wanted to play more games because we really wanted to be better and better at the game of Ki o Rahi. We all felt very happy that we got to go to the tournament"!

By: Rei O

"On the 21st of June the Hokowhitu School Ki o Rahi teams went to the Ki o Rahi tournament and played against many different schools around the region. There were two teams for Hokowhitu School, and they were called Huia and Tuna, both of the teams got better and better after every game.

The first game Tuna versed Parkland school at around 9:30 am. The team captain had to do paper, scissors, rock to see which team got to pick the role the team was going to be. We didn't win but it was our first game, so it was okay. Between each game there were breaks to eat and to get our breath back. All of the children got free water, sausages, and burgers for lunch. My team Tuna didn't win any games, until our last game against Manchester School - we won by two points!

Even though Tuna (my team) didn't go to the semi-final we had lots of enjoyable time playing Ki o Rahi. I am glad that I got the opportunity to play Ki o Rahi against schools and to win at least once".





Sport

Badminton - Term 3

Term 3 Badminton Registrations are open. **Registrations close 3pm Monday 26th June.** This competition is for year 4-6 students. It is played on Tuesdays between 3.30pm and 5.30pm at CET Arena. The season runs from Tuesday 25th July to 19th September. If you wish for your child to play, please complete the registration form on Kindo.

If you have any questions, please email Reece Hawkins - r.hawkins@hokowhitu.school.nz

Basketball

Hokowhitu Jets - Last week you had a wonderful game of defence. Player of the day was **Billy** for commitment to the game.

Hokowhitu Jets - Last night you had an amazing game of offence and defence. Player of the day was Jayden, what an awesome shot.

Coaches/Managers - If you would like any awards or photos in the newsletter, please email them through to <u>office@hokowhitu.school.nz</u> before Friday please.

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/
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.

Yummy Sticker Collection

We are collecting the yummy stickers until the end of Term 3. Please collect and bring them in to school!



Achievement Awards



<u>Te Kete Wakahuia</u>

Sam - You are such an enthusiastic member of Waka Sam - we love the energy you bring to our class! Conor - For displaying enthusiasm in workshops.

Kirill - For showing perseverance with your weaving for Matariki.

Meilah - For confidently sharing information about your special toys at oral language time.

Louis - For your amazing maths knowledge! Tino pai.

Dontae - For working super hard in his workshops. Tino pai!

Darcy - For always striving to do her best in workshops. Kā pai!

<u>Te Kete Pounamu</u>

Jonah - For using the counting on strategy to solve addition problems.

Leo W - For adding detail to your writing.

Darcy - For using the counting on strategy to solve addition problems.

Ibriham - For engaging writing.

Luca - For being a role model by showing 5 consistently!

Lilianna - For engaging writing.

<u>Te Kete Manawa</u>

Congratulations to our Top 30 winners this week - Grace, Mila P, Hakaraia and Sam M.

Roman - For a super effort and attitude in maths workshops, ka rawe.

Olivia - For giving 100% to her literacy learning and making fantastic progress. Ka rawe!

Ivan - A calm and kind member of TKM who listens carefully and works hard.

Sammy - Fabulous attitude and effort during math workshops, Tino pai!

Rohan - Fantastic creativity during art time, your taniwha was amazing!

Madison - For wonderful progress and confidence in literacy!

Ruiling - For taking a risk and reading to her teachers, we love hearing your wonderful voice!

Sam M - For putting lots of mahi into his literacy learning and reading like a champion. Well done!

Louvan - Amazing progress in his literacy learning. You are reading so beautifully! Tino pai!

<u>Te Kete Aronui</u>

Orla -For the creativity you show in your writing. It is very entertaining for the reader.

Leon - For being inquisitive in class.

Jaxson M - For showing greater focus during writing time to write some very creative stories.

Ava M - For being a helpful member of the kete.

Akira - For being able to interpret data on a bar graph.

Jaxon T - For the positive attitude you always bring to whanau class.

Miles - For improved focus during independent tasks in literacy and maths.

Penelope - For showing an inquiring mind during maths.

Hawaiki - For showing a good understanding of coordinates in maths.

Maisey -For a great effort in our Jump Jam sessions.

Senuli - For a super effort with the editing process of your writing and correcting words spelt incorrectly.

<u>Te Kete Tangaroa</u>

Angela - For an outstanding and informative report on the great explorer Kupe.

Alexey - For Showing his thinking when using place value to solve multiplication.

Eden - For outstanding effort in Ki o Rahi.

Alexis - For a great information report on Kupe.

Rei - For being a top try scorer in Ki o Rahi.

Jack K - For showing his thinking when using place value to solve multiplication.

Awen - For an excellent report on Captain Cook.

Yuna - For having an excellent attitude when playing Goalie in Football.

INTERMEDIATE INFORMATION FOR YEAR 6 FAMILIES



ROSS INTERMEDIATE

We have had communication from Ross requesting contact details of all Year 6 students, so they can inform you of upcoming actions for 2024 enrolments. If you **DO NOT** wish Ross Intermediate to have your contact details - please inform our school office by next **Wednesday, 28th June** - <u>office@hokowhitu.school.nz</u>

PNINS VISIT

Palmerston North Intermediate Normal has advised us they would like to host all our Year 6 ākonga at their kura on the morning of the 20th of July. They will provide a bus. As this is early next term, please look out for a permission slip next week.



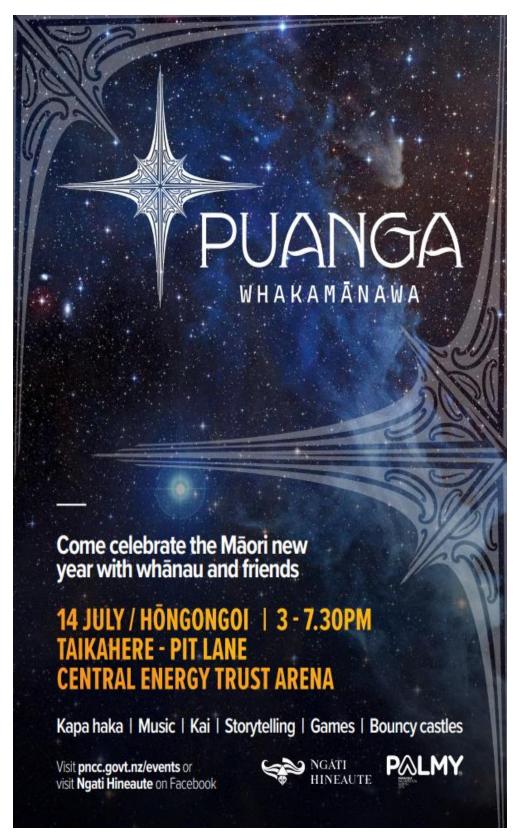


A Christian Year 7-13 Day and Boarding School

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/

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

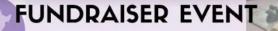
Community Notices



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.





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!

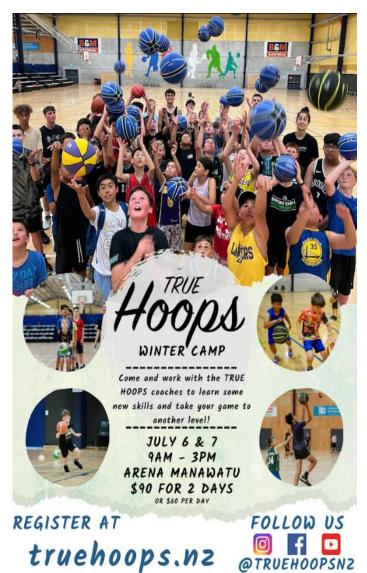
Date/Time: 14/15 July 9am - 9pm Matariki public holiday weekend Location: All Saints Church Hall Church Rd Palmerston North

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



for more information please email pn.scouts.fundraising@gmail.com





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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 Learn more at amygracelaura.com









WEEK 1

CENTRAL LIBRARY JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAME

TUESDAY 4 JULY

MONARCHS OF AOTEAROA IN WINTER: ART AND STORY SESSION WITH ERIN WILLSON

ZPM-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

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

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 Manawatū. Fun and games for the whole whānau to enjoy! Meet us on the grass in front of the basketball hoop.



WEDNESDAY 5 JULY

BRARY

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



THE SILLIEST STORYTIME EVERIII

10:30 AM-12 PM

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 PROGRAME

MONDAY 10 JULY

DROP-IN CONSTRUCTION LAB

IOAM-IZPM

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

CANINE FRIENDS PET THERAPY VISIT

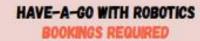
2PM-3PM

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



TUESDAY 11 JULY

BRARY



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 or via <u>https://bit.ly/43Nu5Ye</u>

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





DROP-IN CRAFT SESSION MATARIKI ART ACTIVITY

THURSDAY 13 JULY

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

Do you want some farm fresh eggs?

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL

Order your eggs on the website below (and use your code) before midnight <u>Tuesday</u> and they will be delivered super fresh to collect on <u>Thursday</u> 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!



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