

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday the 6th of April 2023

Important Upcoming Events 2023

24 April	SCHOOL CLOSED - Teacher Only Day investigating the NZ Curriculum Refresh
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
12 May	Year 5/6 Manawatu Orienteering Champs
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
27 June	Te Ao Māori Evening
30 June	Last day of term 2

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 Deputy Principal

Kia ora koutou
Ngā mihi kia koutou

What a fabulously 'busy' term this has been. There has been so much happening. Starting with the fantastic EOTC week early in the term to our Cultural Celebration Day today bringing together the learning we have done through the concept of Tūrangawaewae - the place where we feel especially empowered and connected. Tūrangawaewae is our foundation, our place in the world, our home. Students learnt about our place where we all stand together, Hokowhitu School. Then looked at places they and their peers feel connected too. It was great to see our students and teachers this morning walking around showing off something special from their culture and identity. Angela and Afokoula performed a beautiful Tongan and Samoan dance. TKM shared a Samoan Sasa and TKT performed a Dance. It was also lovely to see a number of our school Whānau staying to watch the celebration.



ROAD RACE

On Tuesday Yuna, Maya, Haylee, Bilal, Darshan, Sahith, Xavier, Cooper, Charlotte, Riley, Alexey, Aria, and Olive represented Hokowhitu at the Manawatu Striders 3km. There were lots of schools competing from all over the Manawatu. All students ran hard and represented Hokowhitu School well. A special mention to Yuna who came 2nd out of all the Year 5/6 girls. A big thank you to Yuna's Dad and Sahith's Mum for providing transport from and to the event.



LIT QUIZ

On Tuesday 4th April two teams from Hokowhitu School took part in the Regional Kid Lit Quiz competition. Congratulations to Hokowhitu A - Hannah, Alex, James, and Lilly who placed 2nd out of 15 Year 5/6 teams. They also won \$5 each for the best score out of 45 teams, including intermediate schools, in the category 'Who said it?' Special mention to Makayla who won an individual prize for answering an audience question beating 172 students to the answer. Thank you for providing transport Mrs Durr and Mrs Quilter. A huge thank you to Merrin Quilter who won the book raffle and kindly gave each of the team members a book from her prize pack! Also, we would like to thank Mrs Gifford-Moore for the organisation of the teams and the time she invested in training them.



UNIFORM

The coming holidays are a good time to check if you have the correct uniform for the cooler weather. Term 2, sun hats are not required. Girls may wear plain navy footed tights under their skort -please note: NOT leggings. A thermal layer can be worn under the school polo shirt, provided it is plain red or navy. Regulation polar fleece is required for everyone. We request shoes are plain black or brown and school sensible.

PTA FUNDRAISER

We are excited to be able to offer yummy Yarrow's frozen cookies for everyone to order. Look out for the order forms next term. PTA does a great job fundraising for our school. Please support them when you can. They are also very welcoming to parents that want to come along and help out at events and fundraisers. Watch out for when the next meeting is and come long to get involved.

Looking ahead to next term, **school commences for kids on Wed 26th April**. Teachers and staff have already started planning for Term 2. The concept our learning is based on next term is Rangi (Sky) with a focus around science. Students will also be working hard on their Literacy and Mathematics goals to help build their efficiency and competence in these areas. Along with all of this we have a number of events - ANZAC Ceremony, Cross Country and near the end of the term a Te Ao Māori evening celebrating Matariki.

We have lots to look forward to next term. I hope you all have a nice and relaxing break over the long Easter weekend and enjoy your time with your children over the school holidays. We look forward to seeing you all back at school on **Wednesday 26th April. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

Ngā Manaakitanga

Reece Hawkins
Deputy Principal



Sport

Registering for sports teams at Hokowhitu School is a chance for you and your family to become involved in an activity that is outside of school. When you register and pay, the money goes to the sporting association that you register for - e.g. Basketball Manawatu. This money pays for the facilities, people in the association and other miscellaneous things. None of the money goes to the school and this is why we rely on families to support their children by volunteering to coach or manage or supervise at the games. We are struggling more and more for volunteers. We do also reach out to the associations for help and support to find coaches, as well as High Schools and other tertiary institutions.

If your child commits to playing a sport - fantastic! It builds new friendships, relationships and promotes a healthy lifestyle. Helping the team by making sure your child turns up to games, or advising the coach if they are unavailable, is part of that commitment.

When you register on Kindo a question is always at the bottom of the information asking if you are happy to share your personal information with the team that you are entered into - this relates to consent and privacy.

Winter Hockey 2023- Years 1-6

Games will be played on Sundays - at The Twin Turfs - Beginning Sunday 7th May. The season will finish on the 13th of August.

Cost is \$35 per player

All players will require their own hockey stick. Mouthguards and shin pads are compulsory.

Coaches will be required for all teams - practices are not required unless parents are available to do so.

The season will run for 12 weeks over Terms 2 & 3.

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

If you need a uniform, please make sure you put the Uniform Hire option in your cart.

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

Registrations will close on the 1st of May. NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE EXCEPTED!

Please note that games **WILL NOT** be played Term 2 holidays (1st-17th July).

YEAR 1 - YEAR 2 12 Minute Halves (24 minute games) - 4 aside

YEAR 3 - YEAR 4 15 Minute Halves (30 minute games) - 6 aside

YEAR 5 - YEAR 6 20 Minute Halves (40 minute games) - 7 aside

If you have any questions, please email Carlee c.hodge@hokowhitu.school.nz



Achievement Awards



Te Kete Wakahuia

Namish - We have been so impressed with how you have settled into Waka - you are a star!

Manha - For working hard in literacy. Ka pai!

Louis - For working so hard on your reading. Tino pai.

Caleb - For trying so hard to form your letters correctly. Kā pai.

Malone - For listening well on the mat and answering questions in front of the class.

Mehar - For becoming independent in the playground.

Te Kete Pounamu

Max - For contributing to our whole class discussions.

Leo W - For demonstrating great biking skills.

Te Kete Manawa

Ali, Mario, Jakeob, Harry, Olivia, and Zareesh - great work in literacy. A huge thank you to everyone for a great term. We wish you and you families safe and happy holidays. We look forward to seeing everyone back next term.

Te Kete Aronui

Te Kete Aronui, thank you for an awesome term. It sure has been busy. You have all come to understand the routines and expectations in TKA. It has been great getting to know you and your whānau either on Meet and Greet, Whānau Friday or with our Goal Sharing Evening. Term 2 is looking to be just as busy and exciting. Have a great break and we will see you back in a couple of weeks.

Te Kete Tangaroa

Liam - For working well with his group to create an excellent website on Palestinian Culture.

Olive - For consistently managing her time well and striving to do her best in everything she does.

Madisyn - For doing a great job working with her team to build a website on Japanese Culture.



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

WWW.THEEGGPROJECT.CO.NZ

THE EGG PROJECT

SUPPORT LOCAL - EAT SUPER FRESH - SUPPORT COMMUNITY

WEEK 1

CENTRAL LIBRARY

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME



TUESDAY 11 APRIL

SPONTANEOUS IMAGINATION STATION

10:30AM

Get ready to jump on board the wildest ride of your life with the SpontaneoUS Imagination Station - the ultimate children's improv show that's guaranteed to spark your creativity and imagination! Join the hilarious SpontaneoUS crew as they take you on a journey through an imaginary world filled with fun, laughter and excitement. Perfect for all ages.

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



WEDNESDAY 12 APRIL

DROP-IN EPIC ECO WARRIOR MODEL MAKING

10AM-12PM

Your planet needs you!
Create and design your own Eco Warrior - a character who has attitude, skills and abilities to be an environmental saving force. Use the materials available in this drop-in session to start you off. Complete it here or at home and enter our Epic Eco Warrior Model Competition. Entries due by 5pm Thursday 20 April. Aimed at ages 5+
Children's Zone, First Floor

THURSDAY 13 APRIL

HERB WORLD WORKSHOP BOOKINGS REQUIRED

10:30AM-12PM

Meet Miss Calendula from the Herb World series of books with author and Herb Farm founder Lynn Kirkland.

Learn all about Miss Calendula and make your own Calendula healing cream.

Aimed at ages 5+

Oroua Room, Ground Floor

To book email rhonda.chenery@pncc.govt.nz

HAVE-A-GO WITH ROBOTICS BOOKINGS REQUIRED

To book <http://bit.ly/40qsx53>

2:30PM-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



FRIDAY 14 APRIL

DROP-IN ADVENTUROUS EARTH ART SCAVENGER HUNT & ART ACTIVITY

10AM-3PM

Drop-in and explore art pieces in the library that have a special message about the world we live in with our self-discovery Library Art Scavenger Hunt. Find all the corresponding letters to make up the mystery word to go in our draw to win an Earth Day pack.

Then create a piece of artwork using the materials provided to express your own connections with nature or message to our living world.

Aimed at ages 5+

Children's Zone, First Floor

WEEK 2

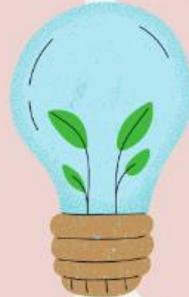
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TUESDAY 18 APRIL

HAVE-GO ROBOTICS BOOKINGS REQUIRED

To book <http://bit.ly/40qsxS3>

9:30-11:30AM

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

ZAPPO THE MAGICIAN
2PM

Come join Zappo for a 45 minute show that has magic music and movement, fun for all ages. **FREE**
Children's Zone, First Floor

WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL

HAVE-A-GO ROBOTICS
BOOKINGS REQUIRED

To book <http://bit.ly/40qsxS3>

2:30PM-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

THURSDAY 20 APRIL

POP UP PLAY SESSION
WITH SPORT MANAWATŪ

1:30PM-3:30PM

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.

FRIDAY 21 APRIL

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& ART ACTIVITY

10AM-3PM

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Then create a piece of artwork using the materials provided to express your own connections with nature or message to our living world.

Aimed at ages 5+

Children's Zone, First Floor



SATURDAY 22 APRIL

WARRIORS OF THE WILD STORY TIME

11AM-11:45AM

We are the Warriors of the Wild - let us take you on a wild journey of earthly stories to celebrate Earth Day.

Dress up in your wildest costume.

Aimed at ages 5+

Children's Zone, First Floor

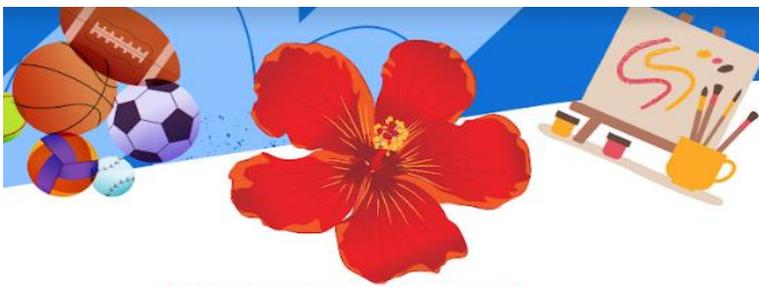
EPIC ECO WARRIOR MODEL COMPETITION
AWARD CEREMONY

11:45AM-12:15PM

Awards presented to achievement winners and all participants who entered the school holiday Epic Eco Warrior Model Competition.

Children's Zone, First Floor

(Entries due by 5pm Thursday 20 April)



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HOLIDAY PROGRAM

**10th – 21st April Weekdays
8:30am – 5:30pm**

Contact us:

malamalama@xtra.co.nz

06 354 8945



NEXT CHAPTER PARENTING

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

PARENTS!

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In your parenting?**

PRESCHOOLERS

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CHECK THIS OUT!

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(Courses also offered either
individually or group)

WINZ SUBSIDISED WHERE APPLICABLE

Contact: brigid@nextchapterparenting.co.nz

Square Edge

School Holiday Workshop Series

To book in email reception@ca.org.nz,
with your child's name, and a contact phone number.

Wednesday 12th April:

Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm

Pulipuli Weaving with Stacey or Kowhaiwhai Painting

Location: Workshop Space and Creative Space

Cost: \$12pp

Thursday 13th April:

Time: 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Pottery with Holi – Pinch Pots \$20pp

Location: Pottery Studio Square Edge

Friday 14th April:

Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm

Pottery with Holi – Coiling Class \$20pp

Location: Pottery Studio Square Edge

Monday 17th April:

Time: 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Crochet with Pari \$20pp

Location: Workshop Space

Tuesday 18th April:

Time: 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Pottery with Holi – Nature Prints \$20pp

Location: Pottery Studio Square Edge

Wednesday 19th April:

Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm

Kono Weaving with Stacey or Kowhaiwhai Painting

Location: Workshop Space and Creative Space

Cost: \$12 pp

Thursday 20th April:

Time: 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Drawing with Darren \$10pp

Location: Creative Space

Friday 21st April:

Time: 10:30am – 12:30pm

Pottery with Holi – Miniatures \$20pp

Location: Pottery Studio Square Edge

Workshop Series on the New Zealand Education System

Free

For families from multi-ethnic backgrounds

Afternoon tea provided

Starting date: 29 April 2023

Time: 2pm-4pm

Venue: Palmerston North
Intermediate Normal School



To register, please text Sara Kian at
[0274166822](tel:0274166822)

Registration closes on
17/04/2023



Te Tāhuhu o
te Mātauranga
Ministry of Education

BLOOM Aotearoa
Charitable Trust

The following is for children under the age of 8 years old

YOU ARE INVITED TO SPLASHSAVE'S...



COMMUNITY DAY

GRAB YOUR TOGS & TOWELS!

FREE POOL ENTRY!!!!

Come along and have some fun in the water with the family. Parents must be in the water with their children and you can learn how to keep your family safe in, on and around the water

Please Scan and register to receive your **FREE SPLASHSAVE PARENT PACK** on the day.

LOCATION: Fryberg Pool - Palmerston North

DATE: 11th April 2023

TIME: 10am to 3pm - Scan the QR code to register.
Turn up any time and claim your free gift



This community day is run in conjunction with Water Safety New Zealand to promote the under 5 drowning prevention strategy Wai Ora 2025.





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 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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Register at truehoops.nz

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