



IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

15 August	ICAS English Exam.
17 August	Ross open day, tours are at 5pm and 7pm.
19 August	Whānau Friday and School Assembly - Te Kete Aronui (TKA), Masked spectators are welcome.
1 September	Major Production (Kotahitanga-Unity) at the Regent Theatre 6.30pm.
16 September	PNINS out of zone enrolments close at 4pm today (Year 6 students only).
19 September	Ross out of zone ballot closes today (Year 6 students only).

Friday 12th August 2022

Kia ora koutou Ngā mihi kia koutou

Finally, things have started to dry out a little around school so hopefully there are not as many muddy children coming home! Long may it continue. Students continue to work hard on practicing their dances and creating props for the production. Ashleigh Hoera from Evolve Performing Arts has been in school helping students to learn dance routines. The excitement is slowly building as we work towards our production, notices to come home next week. Literacy and Numeracy programmes of learning continue to run as per normal. It's great to see students involved in different areas of learning.

Production - Kotahitanga-Unity

Information about purchasing tickets will be in next week's newsletter. Keep an eye out for the notice about the Regent Theatre Rehearsal Day which will be sent home later next week.

<u>Mathex</u>

Well done to all the students who competed in Mathex today.

Year 5 team - James L, Jack N, Zachery, Riley A came 10th out of 20 teams. Well done Year Fives!

Year 6 team - Boston D, Bradley P, Katie Z, Jack D who came 2nd equal. Well done, awesome result!

A big thank you to the parents who helped with transport and a big thank you to Mrs Longley for your efforts in training the students.

Uniform

Please make sure your child has the correct school polar fleece to keep warm. We are starting to see a number of students wearing non-regulation jerseys/sweatshirts. If you are missing items, make sure you check out lost property situated in the hall outside Te Kete Pounamu (TKP). In these cooler months, a school jacket or a warm jacket can also be worn as an extra layer of protection to and from school, or outside during break times, however not in the kete.

Concerns and Incidents

As we are halfway through the year, we thought it would be a good time for a reminder of our school's procedure if you have any concerns. Please see below the flowchart that outlines the correct way to go about dealing with concerns or incidents here at school. This process is the most streamlined as you are dealing with the person closest to the issue. We hope you don't need to refer to this process too often.

Ballot for Out of Zone Enrolments - Terms 1 and 2 of 2023

Do you have a child starting school in the first half of 2023? Do you know someone who would like their child to attend Hokowhitu School in 2023? Along with places for New Entrants we are likely to have up to 5 spaces for students entering Years 3 and 4 in 2023.

Now is a good time to pick up pre-enrolment information and return it to the school office before the 31st of August. A reminder that you do still need to enter the ballot if you are out of zone but have siblings already at the school (our Board has committed to supporting all applications that fit this criteria), but you must have the enrolment information in before the ballot - we cannot hold a space assuming you will be coming.

This weekend looks like we will see some sun, hopefully you can get out and enjoy it.

Ngā mihi nui Reece Hawkins Acting Principal

Yummy Sticker Collection

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



CONCERNS LEAFLET

Handy Hints

Approach a teacher with your concern, and make a time to discuss it.

Problems should not be discussed in front of children – either at school or at home

We ask that staff show respect for you and that you show respect for them

The first person you should see regarding your concern is the person closest to the problem

There are usually two sides to a story

If you have concerns regarding another child you must approach the school not the child

We will only know of your concern if you tell us



CONCERNS



A Leaflet of Information & Assistance

ADVICE TO PARENTS

This sheet is designed to help parents and guardians understand what to do if they are concerned about some aspects of the school. The school encourages open communication and prefers that you come to talk through a problem rather than discuss it in the community. It is our job to be fair and listen to your concerns, but this involves your support as well. We hope that these guidelines will be of some use to you so you feel confident to approach us.

WHAT DO I DO IF I HAVE A CONCERN?

If the matter involves the classroom programme or a teacher, make a time to discuss this concern. The staff member concerned may not be able to talk to you when you approach them so it is best to make a time when you are both free.

Indicate before the discussion what the concern is about, if possible

Talk with the relevant staff member about the issue and be prepared to listen to their point of view

Provide feedback to the teacher as to whether you were satisfied or not, to ensure the problem is settled.

What if I do this but problem is not solved, or the concern does not involve a particular teacher?

Approach the kete leader responsible for that area of the school

If you do not know any of these people or feel they may not be able to help, make a time to see the Principal. You may like to note details of your concern and the steps you have taken to remedy the situation

The concern will usually be dealt with by the Principal, but in some instances teachers, kete leaders or BOT may be consulted for resolution.

If your concern relates to the Principal or the Board of Trustees you should write to the Chairperson of the Board outlining your concerns in detail, including your name and contact number.

Japanese Tea Ceremony















Last week we participated in the Manawatu Schools Champs Orienteering competition. The event was a huge success with 29 children signing up to participate. Many children were inspired by the orienteering we did on camp in Term 1.



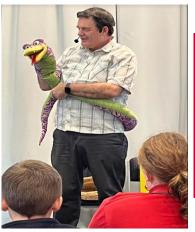
Kind Hearts Regional Event 2022

On Wednesday a group of year 5 students attended the Kind Hearts Regional Event at the Awapuni Racecourse Silks Lounge. This year Hokowhitu School has signed up to be a Kind Hearts School. They are a wonderful organisation whose vision is a kinder world. Their work with schools is to teach children to be unconditionally kind to others, and most importantly themselves. The children were treated to guest speakers who included presenter Cat Levine, puppet entertainer Rayz Roadshow, members of the Turbos and Cyclones rugby teams, and a member of the NZ Air force. The theme of the day was 'learning the language of feelings to help develop empathy.' The children were delighted when they volunteered Mrs Guerin to get up on stage and with their mood cube they got to take home. They had a great time and were fantastic representatives of Hokowhitu School.

More info about Kind hearts can be found here - https://www.kindheartsmovement.org/



















Sport

ALL those children who expressed an interest in **Volleyball** need to register on Kindo to be eligible to play, please follow the link below.

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.

Summer Sports are beginning to open up, please keep an eye on when to register on Kindo.

BASKETBALL

Hokowhitu Shooters

Congratulations on a great season of basketball that was topped off by wins in the last 2 weeks of play. Players of the day for week 2 were **Fin** and **Minoo**.

Players of the day for week 3 were Jaxson and Saied.



Hokowhitu Jets

Hokowhitu Jets had a warm up game for next week's final against Mana Tamariki, winning 16-4. Our captain for the day **Avalon** chose **Oscar** for the teams MPV, and **Joshua** for the passing and space award. It will be a great game against two close teams in the final next week.

Coaches/Managers

If you would like results or photos in the newsletter please send them through to office@hokowhitu.school.nz.















Achievement Awards

Te Kete Wakahuia

A big Hokowhitu School welcome to Mehar and Aria who have joined us in Waka - happy school days to you both.

Vasiliy - It is so nice to see your smiley face back in Waka Vasiliy.

Hunter - For being so enthusiastic about our dance and giving it a go!

Isaiah - For amazing improvement in literacy - what a superstar!!

Delenaa - For being a kind buddy in Waka.

Mason - For working hard to grow his brain during learning time - tino pai!

Max - For working so hard on your maths and literacy. Tino pai Max

Carter - For working hard on your reading and writing. Kā pai Carter.

Eleanor - For working hard in your workshops, Tino pai!

Ameerah - For showing perseverance and resilience at school.

Te Kete Pounamu

Afokoula - For wearing your glasses during learning time.

Rory - For writing an amazing weekend story.

Taylah - For amazing fluency when reading.

Aaryan - For amazing expression when reading.

Ali - For an excellent improvement with reading.

Hudson - For learning the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Charlotte T - For learning the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Bailey - For helping her fellow peers during the dance session.

Te Kete Manawa

Congratulations to our top 30 winners this week: **Miles, Tyler, Dominic** and **Amos**. Also a huge thank you to **Taeko** and her helpers for sharing Japanese culture and teaching us some amazing origami and calligraphy skills.

Te Kete Aronui

James - For a super effort on your advertising poster in literacy and ensuring you incorporated an advertising technique.

Keesha - For great team work in our recent STEM challenge.

Keira - For working hard at our addition and subtraction strategy. Ka mau te wehi!

Liam - For an awesome effort with our Production dance practise. Keep up the good work!

Renee - Great team work in our recent STEM challenge.

Kiya - For being an enthusiastic participant at the Kind Hearts Event.

Jahsyah - For a positive attitude to new learning and persevering with a new maths strategy.

Ava S - For demonstrating perseverance and encouraging others in our STEM challenge.

Ollie, Saied, Sam - For incredible creativity and teamwork during our sphero race track building challenge!

Te Kete Tangaroa

Mila - For great enthusiasm towards dance.

Lena - For great enthusiasm towards our production and dance.

Olivia - For amazing participation and thinking in reading.

Sebastian - For showing others how to push the ball at hockey.

Daniel G - For reading information and then rewriting it, in his own words.

Connor - For showing how good you are at dancing!

Aria - Reading instructions carefully and writing a quality biography.

Sophia - For an excellent report on hamsters.

Amelia - For amazing progress in our study of time.

Lilian - For amazing progress in our study of time.

Community Notices



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: \$50 (\$40 for Ross Intermediate 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: Thursdays,
Merit/Bronze 3.45-4.30pm
Silver/Gold 4.30-5.15pm

Venue: Ross Intermediate School Gym, Freyberg St Date: August 18th – September 29th (7 sessions)





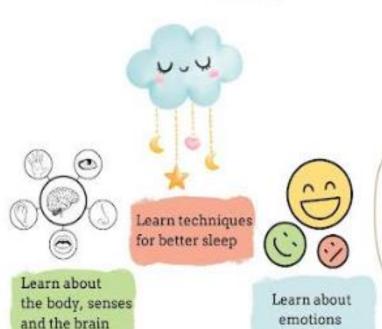




FROM SCHOOL

www.theeggproject.co.nz





Mindfulness

Free four week course for students 10-13 years old

> *Begins Sunday 11th of September



Kate is a registered teacher with experience using mindfulness and interoceptive awareness programmes in her classroom. She is now embarking on her educational psychologist qualification and wants to share her experience with her community. This four week course will provide children with the tools to recognise emotions, gain body awareness and help them to find calm.

SUNDAYS 2.30-4PM

@ ACTIVE+ 663 TREMAINE AVENUE PALMERSTON NORTH

