

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 2nd of December 2022

Important Upcoming Events

5 December	Visiting performance group here today - Monarch
6 December	5.30pm Board meeting in the staffroom – everyone is welcome
8 December	5.00 Christmas carnival here at school. Food stalls for a yummy dinner. 6.00 Whole school end of year prize giving and awards - All children expected to attend 7.00 Year 6 graduation
9 December	End of year reports home (except for those who have had 6 week or 6-month interviews as this is their first year at school) Stationery lists and 2023 kete/whānau teacher will be included in this envelope
13 December	8.30am Coffee and muffin thank you' for all our super helpful parents over 2022. Venue - staffroom Transition afternoon - tamariki to meet with their 2023 teachers/class
15 December	12.45pm School Closes for 2022

The children and staff of Hokowhitu School
Would like you to join us for our end of year celebration

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL

Date: Thursday 8 December 2022

Time: 5.00pm - 7.00pm approximately

Outline of the evening

5.00pm Arrival / mingling / dinner (including dessert options)

6.00pm Prize Giving -

7.00pm Conclusion

7.00pm Year 6 (only) Graduation/Farewell Ceremony

“Christmas Carnival” (No alcohol)

Food can be purchased from stalls or alternatively BYO

A wide range of yummy food will be on sale for dinner!

PLEASE BE AWARE THIS EVENT IS NOT SUITABLE FOR UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN.



Update from the Principal

Kia ora koutou

Ngā mihi kia koutou

SWIMMING POOL

Mr Cooke has the pool ready for use - hooray! The tamariki are encouraged to pack their togs, towel, goggles etc in a waterproof bag each day. Teachers will not take the children swimming on unsuitable days, and they are always allowed to get out of the water if they are feeling cold.

We strongly encourage the use of rash tops and sunscreen to prevent sunburn while in the water.

PACK THE BUS

Thanks so much for the amazing generosity shown in support of this charity event. Your kindness will assist families in need at a time of the year that often places extra demands.



CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL AND PRIZE GIVING - next Thursday evening

We are excited about the return of our carnival event!! Our sincere thanks to everyone who has assisted with donations, offering to loan us appliances, help out with the making of the food, setting up and serving on stalls etc. Special thanks to Amy Westergaard who has spearheaded the project this year.

Come along and enjoy a relaxed dinner atmosphere -bring your picnic blanket or deck chairs, and enough cash to buy some yummy dinner and settle in for our annual prize giving that will start at 6pm. ALL the children are expected to attend - special awards will be presented to learners across the school and we will have live performances to enjoy.

HELPERS THANK - YOU

Invitations came home earlier this week to acknowledge the many parents/caregivers/grandparents etc who have regularly helped us out at school over the year. Without the support of the Board, the PTA, sports coaches, camp parents, transporters, classroom helpers etc, our tamariki simply would not have the great range of experiences/activities and treats we are able to offer. Thank you to each and every one of you from the bottom of our hearts. Ka pai.

While we know it isn't possible for everyone to take the time to come into school in the morning, we warmly extend an invitation to you to drop in on Tuesday 13th Dec and enjoy a coffee and muffin to start your day the right way.

ROAD PATROLLER'S THANK YOU

Our school patrol team does an amazing job in what can sometimes only be described as 'challenging' weather conditions. Their position is one of great responsibility and it takes real perseverance to front up and perform week in, week out throughout the year.

As a way of recognising these amazing young people, the NZ Police honoured them earlier today with a parade down Broadway Avenue, followed by a movie. Thank you so much to our 2022 team of patrollers and thank you to the parents who supported us today with transport and/or supervision.

LIBRARY BOOKS

All school library books need to be returned to school before the end of the year please.

If you are sure all books have been returned but your child has come home with an overdue notice, please contact Susan Janssen ASAP - library@hokowhitu.school.nz, thank you.

END OF TERM CELEBRATIONS

Each kete has planned a day to celebrate the end of the year together.

TKW's special day is next Thursday the 8th December.

TKP, TKM, TKA and TKT have all selected Monday the 12th December.

Each kete will distribute notices advising of anything particular that the tamariki need for their celebration day.

Y 5/6 INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS

Thank you to Mr Hawkins and Mr Masoe who supported our squad at this event on Thursday. We were very proud of the tamariki that represented our kura. There were some fantastic results with many of our children taking 'top 5' placings. Confirmed results to come.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend

Ngā mihi nui

Lin Dixon

Principal.

Sport

If your child's selected sport has finished for the year can you please return all sports uniforms. If these are not returned by the last day of 2023 (at the latest) you will be invoiced \$70 for it to be replaced, thank you.

Volleyball

The Spikers Volleyball team ended the game with a tied score, the player of the day was **Ilisma**.

Touch

Hokowhitu Hammers –

The Hammers struggled to have a team for the night this week, a big paki paki to **Vernon** and **Oscar** for helping out at very short notice. They had their first win of the night 6-1 over Opiki .

After having a draw against Te kura o Wairau last week, the Hammers had a great start leading 3 -nil at the break and winning 7-2. Great to see straight running and quick dumps, creating tries, and getting praised by the other coach.



Hockey

Hokowhitu Gold –

Hokowhitu Gold played their sixth and final game for the season.

Always a close game against the West End Silver sticks, this time coming out with the win 2-1. **Josh** and **Seb** scored the goals, it was a tense last 5 mins as West End attacked and Hokowhitu defended superbly. Passing and space award went to **Seb** and **Sahith**.



Hokowhitu Red –

The Hokowhitu Reds have played a great season and it was great to see everyone giving it their all each week. Player of day went to **Makayla** for defending the goal well. See you all next season!



Coaches & Managers - If you would like awards/photos in the newsletter please email office@hokowhitu.school.nz

Achievement Awards



Te Kete Wakahuia

Welcome to Hokowhitu School **Sid**. We hope you have many happy days at school.

Caleb C - You come into school with a happy smile and try hard at everything that you do. Well done Caleb!

Vivaan - Ka pai Vivaan. It's great to see you getting involved and showing enthusiasm at basketball.

Evie - Great improvement in maths - Ka rawe!

Jude - For making fabulous contributions to our class discussions.

Eliza - Showing kindness and aroha for her teachers. Ngā mihi Eliza!

Mason - Enthusiastic reading in workshops - Well done Mason!

Benny - Fabulous maths learning - you try so hard! Tino pai!

Paikea - For your amazing progress in all of your learning. Tino pai rawa!

Deon - For working really hard in maths - kā pai Deon.

Isla F - For your amazing progress this year. You are a super star!

Leo Z - For always being enthusiastic in your workshops.

Rose - For trying very hard in all of your schoolwork.

Antonella - For putting top effort into our basketball lessons.

Te Kete Pounamu

Tyson - For a great effort in your reading.

Zayd - For persevering with your paper mache model.

Taylah - For getting faster at knowing your number bonds.

Ryder - For great reading.

Oscar - For solving problems to beat the code in maths.

Mason O - For working independently during maths.

Liam - For acing the number knowledge test.

Te Kete Manawa

For working hard to STRIVE to be the best you can be - **Nina, Tupuse, Fin, Miya**. For clever car creations -

Makayla, Louis, Alex. For great basketball skills: **Lincoln, Chris, Hawaiki, Max B, Ava M, Mila L, Will, Jaxon, Sahar**.

Te Kete Aronui

Lilly D - For your amazing efforts in basketball and your quick responses to Miles.

Keesha - For being a great friend and encouraging others to be the same.

Nixon - For your willingness to share and clearly explain your problem-solving strategies during maths.

Emily - For outstanding defence skills at basketball.

Awen - For always being an active participant in literacy & maths Starter sessions. Ka pai!

Ava M - For improvement in reading and being engaged in workshops.

Senuli - For being welcoming to others and being the first to include others.

Ollie - For taking better responsibility for his things and cleaning up after himself.

Flynn - For fantastic problems solving during maths.

Te Kete Tangaroa

Sebastian - For awesome enthusiasm and teamwork in basketball.

Johan - For amazing contributions and ideas in inquiry. You show great thoughtfulness.

Grace M - For always taking on constructive feedback and trying to improve. Ka rawe mahi.

Katelyn - For a great effort towards your reading and contributing to your slides.

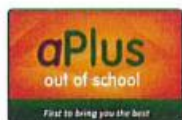
Jedd - For an excellent attitude towards learning about shape.

Andrey - For great work in maths, always going out of your way to work out new concepts.

Aria - Terrific enthusiasm and trying new things in maths.

Rei - Amazing effort in her reading slides.

Emerson - Managing his time better to achieve his Must Do's.



Summer School Holidays

Dec 16th 2022 to Feb 3rd 2023

				Fri 16 th Dec 2022
<p>Small Fry (ages 5-6), going through the holidays from 16th Dec 2022 to 30th Jan 2023 Hokowhitu School – 227 Albert Street, Palmerston North</p>				<p>\$27.50 THE LANTERN FESTIVAL Making beautiful lanterns to hang up until Christmas and then you can take them home!</p>
Mon 19 th Dec 2022	Tue 20 th Dec 2022	Wed 21 st Dec 2022	Thur 22 nd Dec 2022	Fri 23 rd Dec 2022
<p>\$27.50 DEAR SANTA Booby prize or good prize write to Santa and let him decide!</p>	<p>\$27.50 D. I. Y. Make some cool craft supplies to take home. Great for playing or painting with!!!</p>	<p>\$27.50 CHRISTMAS PREP We are getting for Christmas with cookies, and decorations, but still making time for a swim and some basketball!</p>	<p>\$27.50 SANTAS ELVES Elves, Santa, take photos and add a lolly to that card</p>	<p>\$27.50 CHRISTMAS PARTY We are making some delicious food, getting the Christmas music going and having a PARTY!!!</p>
Mon 26 th Dec 2022	Tue 27 th Dec 2022	Wed 28 th Dec 2022	Thur 29 th Dec 2022	Fri 30 th Dec 2022
<p>PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO PROGRAMME</p>	<p>PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO PROGRAMME</p>	<p>\$35.00 BEAT THE BELL Secret Messages, Master of Disguise, Spot the Difference!</p>	<p>\$35.00 BLOWING UP THE GLOW! Time for fluoro volcanoes, glowing rainbows and blowing up bags of colour</p>	<p>\$35.00 NEW YEAR Calendars, Puffy Paint Fireworks and a great 2023 Keepsake! HAPPY NEW YEAR</p>
Mon 2 nd Jan 2023	Tue 3 rd Jan 2023	Wed 4 th Jan 2023	Thur 5 th Jan 2023	Fri 6 th Jan 2023
<p>PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO PROGRAMME</p>	<p>PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO PROGRAMME</p>	<p>\$35.00 PHOTO BOOTH Take photos with your friends, wear funny glasses, a mask, a hat, a feather, - great memories to keep in a scrapbook!</p>	<p>\$35.00 FEED THE GARDEN and it will feed you!</p>	<p>\$35.00 AROUND THE SUN Sunshine stars, Fruit punch and then get ready for SuperSoaked!</p>
Mon 9 th Jan 2023	Tue 10 th Jan 2023	Wed 11 th Jan 2023	Thur 12 th Jan 2023	Fri 13 th Jan 2023
<p>\$27.50 ALL THE COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW Sun and Rain make rainbows and we are going to make Rainbow Fruit kebabs - swim, make Oreo Rainbows for afternoon tea and then It's Kiwi Toss.</p>	<p>\$27.50 DOORWAYS Doors today - small ones, bigger ones, doors to take home! Bling them up - they are going to look great.</p>	<p>\$27.50 BEACH UMBRELLA We love the beach, but we love the umbrella better. Sunscreen today</p>	<p>\$27.50 WALKING ON AIR It feels just like walking on air. We are going to test an air bed that we will be making today. Will it survive the jumping test?</p>	<p>\$27.50 SPLASH DAY Pool noodles, floaties, beach balls, squirt guns, drinks and fruit at the pool</p>
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<p>\$27.50 PIRATE PRANKS Pirates, parrots, pirate costumes and aargh me hearties!</p>	<p>\$27.50 WATER WISE Learn how to be water wise with your friends. It is a great way to know how to be very careful around water.</p>	<p>\$27.50 FIESTA! Mexican Fiesta day - great food, games, big sombreros and music!</p>	<p>\$27.50 BAM UP SHE GOES How much pressure can a water bottle take before it explodes? Let's try it and see.</p>	<p>\$27.50 KEEP MOVING KIWIS It's the great Kiwi Toss competition today. Keep moving but aim carefully, every point counts.</p>
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<p>WELLINGTON ANNIVERSARY.</p>	<p>\$27.50 PUT YOUR HAT ON! That is the message for summer. Let's turn it into a fun activity that you can take home!</p>	<p>\$27.50 MONARCHS IN THE GARDEN . They come to NZ from far away and we are going to take a closer look at them. Will they hatch while we watch!</p>	<p>\$27.50 TEFFY BEAR PICNIC Forest, Picnic Basket, Teddy Bears, a great day so bring a furry friend.</p>	<p>\$27.50 HAWAIIAN LUAU Leis, hula skirts, limbo, great food and plenty of Hawaiian games!</p>
Mon 30 th Jan 2023				
<p>\$27.50 BACK TO SCHOOL Time to plan, make some handy things for the 2023 school year. Take a little time to relax and enjoy</p>				



<p>Holiday Fun going through the holidays from 16th Dec 2022 to 30th Jan 2023 For children aged 7-years and up Hokowhitu School – 227 Albert Street Palmerston North</p>					<p>Fri 16th Dec 2022 \$27.50 THE LANTERN FESTIVAL Making beautiful lanterns to hang up until Christmas and then you can take them home!</p>
<p>Mon 19th Dec 2022 \$32.50 SUN IN THE FUN See the fun side of these gorgeous sunny days. Sunshine biscuits and ice cream!</p>	<p>Tues 20th Dec 2022 \$32.50 BACKYARD FUN Our backyard obstacle course will challenge you, then it's rocket flingers and BBQ for lunch!!</p>	<p>Wed 21st Dec 2022 \$32.50 HO HO OH! Christmas is coming..... Decorate the Reindeer, Tree bag and where's my balloon</p>	<p>Thur 22nd Dec 2022 \$32.50 CHRISTMAS GIFTS Making gifts and wrapping them to put below the tree.</p>	<p>Fri 23rd Dec 2022 \$32.50 CHRISTMAS PARTY We are making some delicious food, getting the Christmas music going and having a PARTY!!!</p>	
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<p>Mon 9th Jan 2023 \$32.50 CENTRE WAKA We are creating a waka today - everybody is welcome aboard! Decorate your own oar & off we go!</p>	<p>Tues 10th Jan 2023 \$32.50 THE MIDNIGHT LIBRARY I can't find it, but it's got to be here somewhere. Where is the Midnight Librarian?</p>	<p>Wed 11th Jan 2023 \$32.50 CHOCOLATE TIFFIN Chocolate bingo, chocolate cake, chocolate slime.</p>	<p>Thurs 12th Jan 2023 \$32.50 KOROWAI Make your own korowai today.</p>	<p>Fri 13th Jan 2023 \$32.50 DOWN BY THE SEASIDE Crabs, shells, sand and sausage sizzle</p>	
<p>Mon 16th Jan 2023 \$32.50 MY MONSTER Have some brilliant monster fun today - the Large Green Monster & Mummy Wrapping</p>	<p>Tues 17th Jan 2023 \$32.50 RATONE A rat with plenty of advice about health, what to wear, how to make friends, is he joking?</p>	<p>Wed 18th Jan 2023 \$32.50 RAINY DAZE Standing in the rain, rainsticks and sprinkler games</p>	<p>Thurs 19th Jan 2023 \$32.50 WALKING SPIDERS Glass spider walking races, Spider float and the Spider Web game</p>	<p>Fri 20th Jan 2023 \$32.50 DREAM MUMMIES They cast a gentle light with their cheeky smiles - take it home and put it beside your bed.</p>	
<p>Mon 23rd 2023 WELLINGTON ANNIVERSARY.</p>	<p>Tues 24th Jan 2023 \$32.50 OVER THE MOON What is over on the other side of the moon, let's find out today!</p>	<p>Wed 25th Jan 2023 \$32.50 UNDER THE STARS Lie back and look up at the stars. Our own celestial star dome!</p>	<p>Thurs 26th Jan 2023 \$32.50 SLIME TIME Space oobleck, Minty slime, Playdough. Roll up your sleeves and get into it.</p>	<p>Fri 27th Jan 2023 \$32.50 BLING BELLS Bells with a bit of bling - ring them, hang them from the ceiling or put them outside</p>	
<p>Mon 30th Jan 2023 \$27.50 BACK TO SCHOOL Time to plan, make some handy things for the 2023 school year. Take a little time to relax and enjoy.</p>					

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The Explorers Programme at aPlus

The Explorers programme is a mixture of centre based activities (Stay and Play), and excursions (Out and About), for children **7 years and up**.

Mon 16th Jan 2023	Tue 17th Jan 2023	Wed 18th Jan 2023	Thur 19th Jan 2023	Fri 20th Jan 2023
<p>\$35.00</p> <p>YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE How long will it take you to stack 28 cups into a pyramid and then unstack them? Less than 60 seconds? Challenge on!!</p>	<p>\$35.00</p> <p>SHRINKIE DINKS Create large and cook them till they are small. Keyrings, earrings, tags, we can do it all.</p>	<p>\$35.00</p> <p>BIG BAD UGLY We are going to make a big, bad, ugly cake - the uglier the better. Then it's onto ugly biscuits - yuk but yummy.</p>	<p>\$35.00</p> <p>FIGHT CLUB The very cool people from Fight Club are coming down to take us through some moves. Something for everyone.</p>	<p>\$35.00</p> <p>DOWN UNDER Get your fly swats out and cook some damper, today we are checking out some of our Aussie neighbours fun activities.</p>
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<p>WELLINGTON ANNIVERSARY.</p>	<p>\$35.00</p> <p>WATERWORKS Today expect to get wet. Bring 2 towels and sunscreen</p>	<p>\$35.00</p> <p>NEON BUBBLES AND BURPS In a dark room, the bubbles glow and swirl, we drank all the drink - now it's all burps.</p>	<p>\$35.00</p> <p>THE AMAZING RACE Race about town and be the first to reach the finish line with all the answers to the questions</p>	<p>\$35.00</p> <p>TREAD SOFTLY You are going to be designing a shoe all about you! Take your time and in between, make a human caterpillar chain, join a trough race, It's all good fun</p>



And a Happy New Year
from all of us here are
aPlus!!

Rolling towards Americas Cup

Come support our skaters travelling to compete at the Americas cup
 Roller discos at Bell Hall
 Waldegrave Street
 Sunday 20th Nov 3.15 to 5.15pm
 Sunday 27th Nov 3.15 to 5.15pm
 Saturday 17th Dec 6.30 to 8pm
 \$10 entry includes skates and possibility to win spot prizes




DECEMBER 2022
 JANUARY 2023

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

AT COLLEGE STREET NORMAL SCHOOL



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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 the office after school.

Free Range Dozen - \$6.50
Organic Dozen - \$8.50

We will give back \$1.00 per dozen to help fundraise as well!

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YOUR CODE is SCH-003



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TŪMAIKITE TĀKARO!

GAME ON!

Ngā Paki o Rēhua 2022-2023
 Summer Reading Programme 2022-23



PĀNUI, TĀKARO, PIRO!
READ, PLAY, SCORE!

THIS SUMMER with our reading programmes

Summer Reading for ages 4-10 & iRead for ages 11-13

Monday 5 December 2022 to Thursday 26 January 2023

Registrations open
 9am Monday 21 November 2022

visit citylibrary.pncc.govt.nz

Limited Places Available

Come and see what we do at aPlus Breakfast Club

It's not just cornflakes!!

**We are open at 7am
Breakfast is 7.35 to 7.55am
Fill out your name and class - then
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Name:

Class:



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**If you have never been to
our breakfast club before,
come in a check out what's
goes on!
There's breakfast and then
some awesome
activities, with enough fun
for everyone**

Invitation

FRIDAY 9TH Dec 2022

Happy Friday 😊