

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday the 8th of March 2024

Important Upcoming Events 2024

8 March	- The school pool closes today for the season
11 - 13 March	- TKT to camp
13 - 15 March	- TKA Year 5's to camp
19 March	- 5.30pm Board meeting in the staffroom
21 March	- 11.45am Year 1 - 3 duathlon
22 March	- 9am Whole school assembly - TKP sharing some of their learning
26 March	- 5.30pm Goal setting evening - surnames A - L - 5.30pm Waka whānau Goal setting evening
27 March	- 5.30pm Goal setting evening - surnames M - Z
29 March - 2 April	- Easter break, SCHOOL CLOSED
5 and 6 April	- School centenary celebrations
11 April	- Y5/6 Interschool swimming sports
12 April	- 3pm Last day of school for Term 1

Please also look out for kete newsletters - these include specific dates/events for that kete.



Update from the Principal

Kia ora koutou
Ngā mihi kia koutou

It is with great excitement that we can let you know that work commences on the replacement of the senior playground NEXT WEEK! The anticipated finish date is at the end of March!
We will be talking with the tamariki about staying well clear of the area while the work is being completed (it will of course all be fenced off), however we request that you also reinforce the importance of this.
It will be fabulous to have this completed - special thanks to Villi and Rachel (from the School Board) who have both had significant roles in either co-ordinating the project or securing a grant to assist with costs. Sincere thanks to the current and previous Boards who have prudently managed the finances to enable us to have reserves to put into resourcing this.

YEAR 5 AND 6 UPCOMING CAMPS

Camp week is next week!!

Thanks to everyone who is (or has) made payments - the **total amount requested is \$150.00**. This is thanks to a successful grant (ka pai to Rachel Buckley for your mahi in securing this), along with PTA and Board support. It is absolutely fine for you to make camp payments in instalments if this makes balancing the budget easier - we are well aware that money is much harder to earn than it is to spend! A few dollars each week works just as well.

GOAL SETTING EVENINGS

The teachers are currently completing assessments to determine each child's next learning steps. At the upcoming goal setting evenings you have the opportunity to speak with each of the teachers in the kete, share some learning together and hear about your tamariki's current learning goals.

There is no need to make an appointment, just come in between 5.30 and 6.30pm on your day and stay for as long as you'd like.

As a general concept we ask that those who have surnames beginning with A - L come on the 26 March and those with surnames M - Z come on the 27 March. This just helps us balance the numbers over the two evenings. However, if it's not possible for you to come on your night, choose the other.

At the goal setting evening you can request an appointment if you wish to speak in more detail with your child's whānau teacher. Please be aware that their whānau teacher may not be their literacy or numeracy teacher.

As many of the children in Waka will soon be due their 6-week check (which is followed up with a short interview), Mrs Hodge and Miss Caldwell will only be present on ONE of these nights - TUES 26.

DUATHLON

Akongā in Years 1 -3 have this event to look forward to on the 21st of March. Separate notices have come home regarding practice days prior to the event. Please check that you have seen these kete reminders.

Year 1 tamariki may bring their scooter if they are not able to bike.

CHOIR

On Saturday (the 6th of April) we will be asking our school choir to perform for our centenary registrants, so do pop this into your calendar. A separate notice will also come home soon.

ICE-CREAM CONTAINERS

We are on the lookout for any ice-cream containers please. They do not need to have lids. If you have any you can donate to us, please send them to the school office. Thank you.

ATAWHAI AWARDS

At this morning's assembly the following people were recognised for 'being caught' showing kindness.

TKW: Juliette W - Thank you for showing atawhai to your friends in our whānau classes. You are always willing to share your thinking with your group and help others when they are stuck and need a hand. You are very kind at completing jobs that need doing, both before and after school. Ka pai Juliette.

TKP: Clyde Y - Clyde is a responsible, sensible, helpful and conscientious member of Te Kete Pounamu. He is an excellent role model to others and STRIVEs to do his best in every aspect of school life. Clyde is polite to his peers and to adults in the class. He has a great sense of humour and can be relied upon to complete activities independently or in group situations. Thank you Clyde for being a fantastic team member in TKP. He whētū koe!

TKM: Tilley & Isla De - You have both enthusiastically stepped up and shown atawhai by offering to help young children in TKW with their swimming sessions. You have given up your time and been very supportive to ensure others' achieve success. Your friendly natures have made you a delight to have in Te Kete Manawa as well. You both give everything 110% and we appreciate you both. Thank you for showing atawhai

TKA: Ruby - Ruby quietly shows atawhai in everything she does. She is always organised and ready to learn. She supports her peers by 'helping' but not 'doing'. She encourages others to do their best and celebrates their success. We really appreciate the positive influence that Ruby has on others.

TKT: Titus - Titus, you are such an asset to our kete. You always participate in all areas of learning, you are calm, quiet and inclusive of everyone. You use your initiative to help others or where you see a need. We notice your quiet humility and the fact that you are a genuinely good bloke. He whētū koe.

STAFF: Ms Salter - Ms Salter spent lots of time before school started this year, refreshing our cultural wall display in the office. It looks fabulous! Tino pai Hilary, thank you for showing atawhai in this way.

Thanks to each and every one of you for making our kura a better place to be.

Have a lovely weekend everyone
Ngā mihi nui
Lin Dixon

WAYS TO CONTACT THE OFFICE WHEN YOUR CHILD 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.

TE MANAWA - TKP



TE MANAWA - TKA



Thank you to the Staff at Te Manawa & all the Parent Helpers

YUMMY STICKER COLLECTION

Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for our school's share of the \$200,000 free Sport sports gear prize pool. Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores. We get bonus stickers for Ambrosia, Sweet Tango and Lemonade apples. The more you collect, the more sports gear we get so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now!

Sticker sheets are available from our school office or from your child's kete.

We will be collecting stickers until the 22nd of October
Thank you for your support!

Important Information for Parents & Guardians

Please download our school App if you haven't already, all **IMPORTANT/URGENT** notifications will come through this channel. Follow the directions as stated below

Download the
Hokowhitu
School App

Absentee
Phone or send an email to the Absence Office.

Contacts
Phone or email contacts for school staff and key contacts.

School Info
View, download and share school info here.

Calendar
View upcoming events and add individual events to your calendar.

Newsletters
View, download and share our Newsletters here.

Alerts
View alerts, and remove by swiping an alert left.

Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and Search 'SchoolAppsNZ' to download the app onto your device.

Then search 'Your School Name' to find your school's app.

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SPORTS

THE FOLLOWING TERM 2 SPORTS ARE NOW OPEN ON THE KINDO WEBSITE/APP

For registration of **ALL** sports, we use Kindo. You will need to set up an account with Kindo. Please find the link here - <https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Hokowhitu%20School>.

Basketball 2024

- Registrations are now open for **year 3-6** players who wish to play basketball.
- Fees for the season will be \$80
- Games will be played at CET Arena on Thursdays beginning the 2nd of May, final game is the 4th of July.
- Children will be required to wear a mouthguard when playing.
- Coaches will be needed for all teams.

Registrations will close at 3pm on Friday the 29th of March! NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!
If you need a uniform, please make sure you put the Uniform Hire option in your cart.

Years 1 & 2 - Winter Hockey 2024

- Games will be played on Sundays - at The Twin Turfs - Beginning Sunday the 5th of May. The season will finish on the 11th of August.
- Cost is \$40 per player
- All players will require their own hockey stick and mouth guards 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.

Registrations will close at 3pm on Friday the 29th of March. NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!
If you need a uniform, please make sure you put the Uniform Hire option in your cart.

Years 3 & 4 - Winter Hockey 2024

- Games will be played on Sundays - at The Twin Turfs - Beginning Sunday the 5th of May. The season will finish on the 11th of August.
- Cost is \$41 per player
- All players will require their own hockey stick and mouth guards 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.

Registrations will close at 3pm on the 29th of March. NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!
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Years 5 & 6 - Winter Hockey 2024

- Games will be played on Sundays - at The Twin Turfs - Beginning Sunday the 5th of May. The season will finish on the 11th of August.
- Cost is \$42 per player
- All players will require their own hockey stick and mouth guards 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.

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If you have any questions regarding sports, you can contact Carlee Hodge - c.hodge@hokowhitu.school.nz or Jen Bates - office@hokowhitu.school.nz

SUMMER HOCKEY

Hokowhitu Black Sticks - The Black Sticks played the Turitea Lightening and won 2-0! Well done!



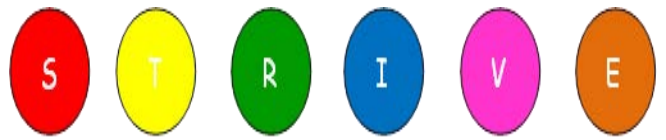
NETBALL

Hokowhitu Defenders - The Defenders played an awesome game on Wednesday. We won 2-1. The player of the day was **Darcy**. Well done team!

Coaches/Managers - If you would like details in the newsletter, please email them to office@hokowhitu.school.nz no later than Thursday please.



Achievement Awards



Te Kete Wakahuia

Amelia - For great work in literacy!

Tilly - For recognising numbers to 10.

Bodhi - For showing independence when coming into school in the morning.

Greta - For showing independence when coming into school in the morning.

Spencer - For working so hard on your letter formation.

Vienna - For super swimming skills. Tino pai.

Eliza - For striving to do the best you can in all areas of learning. Kā pai!

Zayn - For being a super mathematician. Kā pai!

Te Kete Pounamu

Ava - For excellent work with your before/after numbers and ordering numbers.

Frankie - For confidently reading with accuracy, fluency, and expression.

Hunter - For confidently reading with accuracy, fluency, and expression.

Mehar - For trying hard in whole class literacy time - Ka rawe!

Lucy - For excellent strategies when solving math problems - Tino pai!

Maggie - For fantastic presentation in your books - Ataahua!

Eloise - For your fantastic decoding skills when reading.

Clyde - For being a role model by consistently showing our STRIVE values.

Finley - For your impressive Te Reo Māori knowledge of numbers.

Te Kete Manawa

Abel - For showing great inquiring at the museum when looking at the old tools.

Paxton - For following instructions and writing a great letter to his Te Manawa parent helper.

Griffin - For taking responsibility for his learning and moving away from distractions.

Henry - For fantastic letter writing, you tried hard to create something special for your parent helper!

James - For showing a wonderful love of maths and willingness to share his thinking.

Kinza - For great effort in his maths learning.

Leo Z - For following instructions and writing a great letter to his Te Manawa parent helper.

Connor - For trying hard to improve the presentation of his letter writing. You did a fabulous job!

Huatahi - For a positive attitude towards her learning, you show STRIVE every day!

Te Kete Aronui

Afo - For putting yourself out there and trying new things.

For being so interested in everything we did at Te Manawa: **Jaxson, Chase, Maggie, Ben and Mila P.**

Thank you to all the parents who supported us on our trip

Te Kete Tangaroa

Danie - Great statistical literacy when using stem and leaf graphs.

Viktor - Excellent reading in workshops.

Ollie B - Great independent writing with paragraphs.

Charlie - Excellent contributions in literacy workshops.

Miles - Wonderful self-directed learning with the learning labs during explore.

Hasan - Plotting data on a line graph accurately.

Ava M - Stepping up and making great choices for learning.

Luke - Stepping up and leading by example.

Minoo - Taking pride in his work with excellent presentation.



Community Notices



A MESSAGE FROM PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

BUSES ARE CHANGING IN PALMERSTON NORTH

From 4 March 2024, bus routes and frequencies are changing in Palmerston North as we bring more direct and easy-to-understand bus routes to the city. On top of that, we are also introducing New Zealand's first, fully electric bus network.

- Significant infrastructure improvements at bus stops, with more, new bus shelters and more accessible bus stops around the city, including better lighting at stops.
- 43 Brand new EV buses will be on the road, creating a comfortable and quiet ride to work, study, and leisure
- Increased frequency of buses, running every 15 minutes from 7:00am-9:00, and again from 3:00pm-6:00pm, Monday to Friday. Every 30 minutes outside of those hours and on weekends.
- Direct town to Palmerston North Airport bus line, 7 days a week.
- Increased frequency to Ashhurst, including services on Saturdays & Sundays
- Earlier and later bus services, with the first bus starting at 6:30am, and the last departure at 9:00pm, 7 days a week.
- Real time departure boards soon to be installed at stops, providing live departure time updates for buses at that stop.
- Download the Transit App on your phone and get live departures and helpful information for your trip.

Our new bus timetables are available on the Horizons website ([found here](#)) and print copies are available at the Horizons Office, the Palmerston North I-site, and will be on bus from 4 March 2024.

For more information, questions, or queries, please contact transport@horizons.govt.nz



2024 Junior Registration Days

Year 1 to Year 8
Year 1 Registrations Free
Girl Only Teams Available

MARIST
CLUBROOMS
17A PASCAL STREET

Sunday, 25th February, 3 - 4:30pm

Wednesday, 6 March, 4 - 6:00pm

Sunday, 10th March, 3 - 4:30pm

CLUB HOODIES
\$60 ADULTS, \$55 KIDS

CLUB TEES
\$30 ALL SIZES

Or Register Online:
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/209861>

The CR Law season of
ROALD DAHL'S
Matilda
THE MUSICAL
BOOK DENNIS KELLY MUSIC & LYRICS TIM MINCHIN
APRIL 12th - 27th 2024
PALMERSTON NORTH
GET TICKETS NOW FROM **TICKETEK**
ACT THREE PRODUCTIONS

Children's Drawing classes with Mike Ryan places available

Does your child love to draw? Mike Ryan is an experienced art teacher and portrait artist, with spaces still available this term for children to develop their drawing skills across a range of subjects e.g, people, animals, birds.

Classes are held at the Village Valley Centre, Ashhurst, Mondays 3.30 – 5.00;
Manawatu Chinese Association Hall, PN, Tuesdays 3.30 – 5.00.

For more information or to enroll please contact Rachel Summers,
email: info@artforartsake.co.nz or 021 624 892. <http://artforartsake.co.nz>



Marist Football

ARE RUNNING A MILO FANTAILS
FOOTBALL PROGRAMME
IN MANAWATU

Who: Girls aged 7-12 years.

Dates: 05/03, 12/03, 19/03, 26/03,
02/04 09/04 (Term 1, 2024)

Time: Tuesdays 4:00-5:00pm

Venue: Green Room at Massey Sports
& Recreation Centre

Cost: \$30.00 (\$5 per session)

Registration Form:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/282758>



**Fancy learning an instrument?
We're still taking enrolments for 2024!**

Take your pick:

Cello, Clarinet, Drums, Flute, French Horn, Guitar, Ukulele, Junior Flute (Fife),
Keyboard, Recorder, Saxophone, Trombone, Trumpet, and Violin

\$150 per child for 26 music lessons!

More information and enrolment form can be found at

www.saturdaymusic.org.nz

contact@saturdaymusic.org.nz



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PALMERSTON NORTH HIGH SCHOOL OLD BOYS JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB

2024 PLAYER REGISTRATIONS OPEN!

Come down to the YMCA end of Ongley Park
and register to play with us this year!

Registration Days:	11th Feb	1pm-2pm
	18th Feb	1pm-2pm
	25th Feb	1pm-2pm
	6th March	5.30pm-6.30pm
	17th March	1pm-2pm
and Linton Community Centre - 11th Feb 1pm-2pm		

You can also register at: www.sporty.co.nz/pnhsob

Home of the most capped All Black - Samuel Whitelock!



Primary and Intermediate Schools Pacific Performances

2nd July 2024

Pacific

Celebrating Pacific Culture Through Dance

Fusion

Legacy

Performances start at 9am
Regent on Broadway, Palmerston North
GOLD COIN ENTRY