

# HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday the 10th of May 2024

## Important Upcoming Events 2024

<b>14 May</b>	- 5.30pm Board meeting - in the staffroom
<b>15 May</b>	- Last day for lucky book club orders (cash only please or you can place orders online)
<b>20 May</b>	- School Cross Country (postponement date is 22.05)
<b>24 May NEW ITEM</b>	- 9am Whole school assembly - TKT sharing some of their learning - <b>PTA PIZZA LUNCH TODAY</b>
<b>27 - 31 May</b>	- Samoan language week
<b>30 May</b>	- Talent Quest Final - House T-shirt day, wear your house t-shirt with the rest of your uniform
<b>31 May</b>	- Teacher only day - <b>SCHOOL IS CLOSED</b> (staff professional development)
<b>3 June</b>	- King's Birthday celebrated today - <b>SCHOOL IS CLOSED</b>
<b>5 June</b>	- Year 5/6 interschool cross country
<b>7 June</b>	- 9am Whole school assembly - TKA sharing some of their learning
<b>17 June</b>	- Pae Tamariki - for our Kapa Haka performance group
<b>18 June</b>	- 5.30pm Board meeting - in the staffroom
<b>21 June</b>	- 9am Whole school assembly - TKM sharing some of their learning
<b>27 June</b>	- House T-shirt day, wear your house t-shirt with the rest of your uniform
<b>28 June</b>	- Matariki public holiday - <b>SCHOOL IS CLOSED</b>
<b>NEW ITEM 3 July</b>	- 5pm Te Ao Māori/Whānau hui evening here at school
<b>5 July</b>	- 9am Whole school assembly - TKP sharing some of their learning - 3pm School closes for the term 2 holidays
<b>22 July</b>	- 8.50am School opens for term 3

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

## **Ways to Contact The Office When Your Child Will Be Late Or Sick**

**Email** - [office@hokowhitu.school.nz](mailto:office@hokowhitu.school.nz)

**Phone** (You can also leave a voicemail) - 06 357 9667

**App** - See how to download the App below

<https://hokowhituprimary.apps.school.nz/>

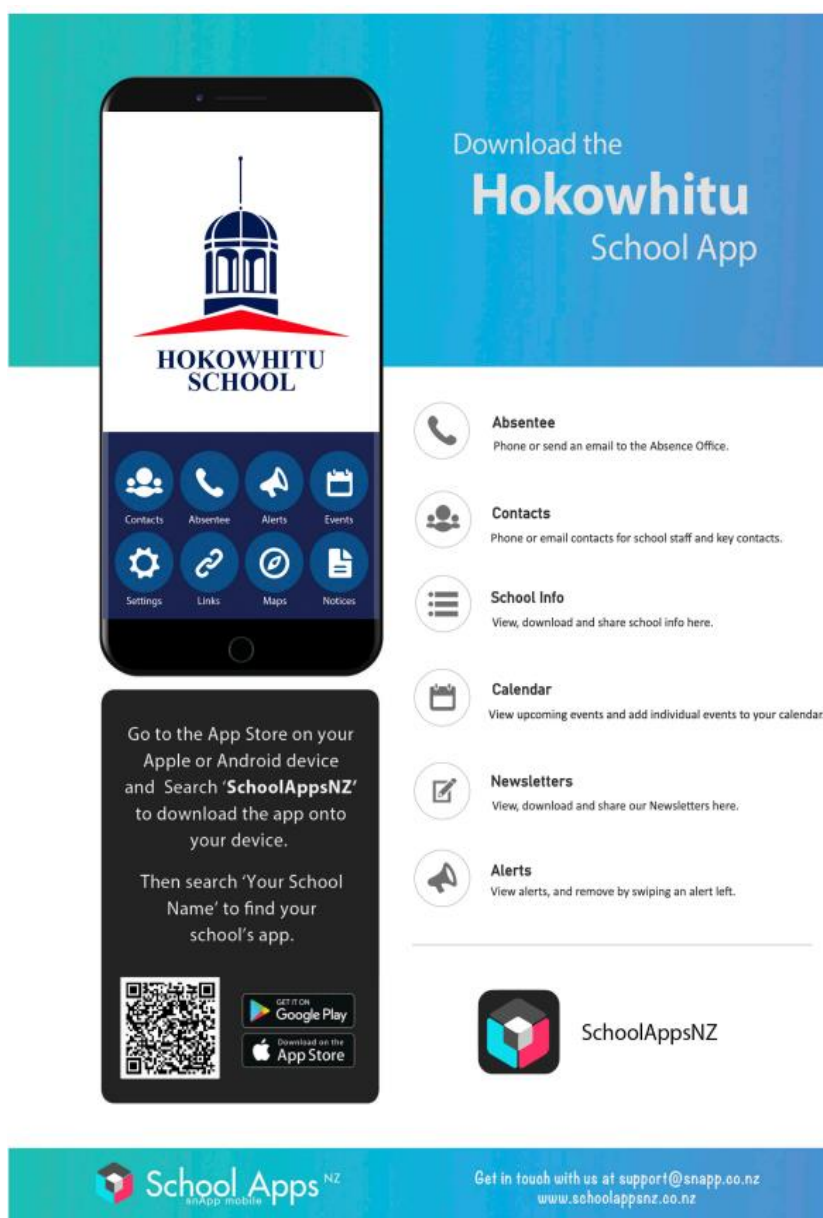
**School cell phone** (you can ring or text this number) - 027 357 9021

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.

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## **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.

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Phone or email contacts for school staff and key contacts.

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View, download and share school info here.

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[www.schoolapps.nz](http://www.schoolapps.nz)



## UPDATE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou  
Ngā mihi kia koutou

I'd like to start this week's newsletter with a very special 'thank you' to Victoria Sharp (Oliver U's mum). Victoria has very generously given her time and expertise to design posters of our school strategic plan. These posters will be displayed in each of our kete to give us a strong visual image of our goals as we STRIVE to reach the top of the mountain - Torongia ki te kihi o te maunga. Thank you Vicky! He whetu koe - you are a star!

### PTA PIZZA LUNCH

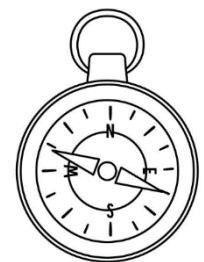
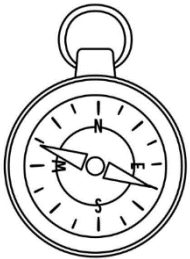
Order forms will come home early next week for a pizza lunch on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May - check school bags! Orders close on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of May. Unfortunately, no late orders can be accepted.

### CENTENARY TEA TOWELS

We have a limited number of tea towels left from April's very successful centenary celebrations. If you would like to purchase a tea towel as a memory of your child attending our school when it turned 100 years old, they are \$10.00 each. Purchase from the office by cash or eftpos - while stocks last.

### MANAWATU SCHOOLS ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to the selected ākonga who represented our kura at the competition today. Sincere thanks to the staff who prepared and supported them, and a special thank you to those who provided transport to and from the event.



### SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDERS

With the cooler weather upon us, just a few reminders about appropriate clothing.

- either boys or girls may wear the new uniform items. The navy 'bottoms' are being phased in over the remainder of 2024 and all of 2025
- girls choosing to wear a skort may wear PLAIN navy tights under the skort. Please note, footed navy tights, not leggings
- any (visible) layer underneath the red polo shirts should be plain red or navy. There is a long-sleeved option in the polo shirt if preferred
- shoes are to be plain black or brown and school sensible (sneakers are ideal for running around)
- socks are to be plain navy

Thank you for your support to ensure your tamariki are wearing the correct uniform.

## **ATAWHAI AWARDS**

At this morning's assembly the following people were recognised for showing atawhai (kindness)

**TKW: Calum D** - You are always showing atawhai and kindness to others everyday. You make sure that the new students have someone to play with and are feeling safe. You are a great role model for being in the right place at the right time doing the right thing. Thank you for showing Atawhai

**TKP: Finley H** - Finley is a kind, gentle and conscientious member of Te Kete Pounamu. Finley doesn't seek recognition for his efforts, he just wants to strive to do his best in everything he does, even when no one is watching - We are watching Finley and we thank you for being a positive, friendly and calm member of our kete. He whetu koe - You are a star!

**TKM: Lachie C** - You are always respectful and a great role model for others' in Te Kete Manawa. You value others and are enthusiastic in all areas of learning. You give everything 110% and persevere when challenged. You are a great friend and can be relied on to make good decisions.

**TKA: Baxter R** - Baxter is a kind and thoughtful student. He treats others with respect, has a good sense of humour and always makes sure to include others. Baxter works hard at learning time, staying on task and asking questions if he is not sure. He is a happy and responsible member of TKA. Tino pai Baxter!

**TKT: Amiria S** - We caught you writing a heartfelt message to your friend. Cards allow you to express your feelings in the way a present can't. Nothing beats the written word. Thank you for always saying 'Good Morning' to us with a smile. You quietly guide others in class by making sure they know what they are supposed to be doing. Thank you Amiria.

**STAFF: Mr Evans** - Mr Evans shows atawhai by displaying patience and positivity. He has a very calm manner and always manages to respond to things in a peaceful way. Thank you for showing atawhai in this way Clayton.

Wishing everyone a fantastic weekend

Ngā mihi nui  
Lin Dixon



Well done to all our **Hockey** and **Basketball** teams this week. It was fantastic seeing everyone giving it a go and enjoying themselves. Thank you to all the supporters on the side-lines, children's sport couldn't happen without you!

**A reminder for you to share with your children playing sport each week...**

*You are playing for and representing Hokowhitu School at **ALL** times while at the Courts/Turf.*

*Think of those **STRIVE** values at all times.*

***Play Hard, Play Fair, Listen to your Coaches/Managers and most of all... HAVE FUN!!***

If you have any questions regarding sport, please email Jen Bates [office@hokowhitu.school.nz](mailto:office@hokowhitu.school.nz) or Carlee Hodge [c.hodge@hokowhitu.school.nz](mailto:c.hodge@hokowhitu.school.nz)

**Coaches/Managers** - If you would like details in the newsletter, please email them to Jen Bates - [office@hokowhitu.school.nz](mailto:office@hokowhitu.school.nz).



## MAP OF CROSS-COUNTRY COURSE



This map shows the course that each year group will be running in our cross country. Please keep clear of the finish and start line so we can clearly see the order of the finishers. We kindly ask that parents remain off the course. We have senior children to help, support and awahi our younger tamariki. Once the children have finished their race, they will go to the turf. Please wait until every competitor has finished the race before coming to congratulate your child, this demonstrates atawhai and sportsmanship to everyone. Below are the approximate timings for our races.

**Please ensure that you arrive at school in plenty of time for your child's race, as we may start races slightly earlier than advertised.**

TIME	YEAR/GENDER
11.05am	Year 6 girls
11.15am	Year 6 boys
11.25am	Year 5 girls
11.35am	Year 5 boys
11.45am	Year 2 girls
11.50am	Year 2 boys
11.55pm	Year N/E 1 girls
12.00pm	Year N/E 1 boys
12.05pm	Year 4 girls
12.10pm	Year 4 boys
12.15pm	Year 3 girls
12.20pm	Year 3 boys

# Achievement Awards



## Te Kete Wakahuia

- Greta** - For knowing your numbers before and after to 20.
- Ivory** - Recognising numbers to 20 and knowing before and after a number.
- Tilly** - For knowing your numbers before and after to 20.
- Hui-Tanguru** - For knowing your numbers before and after to 20.
- Namish** - For always listening to instructions and being a diligent learner. Tino pai!
- Mischka** - For showing great progress in your reading. Tino pai!
- Jensen** - For being a role model during our kete running sessions. Kā rawe.
- Sasha** - For your amazing maths learning with the Beebots. Tino pai.

## Te Kete Pounamu

- Toanui** - For your knowledge of place value. You are so quick to say how many 100s, 10s and 1s are in any number. Ka pai!
- Blythe** - For your kindness to everyone in the kete. Thank you for always looking after others.
- Joshua** - I love how you really contributed to our science discussions. Your volcano knowledge is outstanding.
- Jaxxon** - For a fantastic effort with increasing the length of your written work.
- Henry** - For trying to extend himself in his cross-country training.
- Madi** - For reading with fluency and decoding words without losing pace.
- Rhyan** - For an excellent piece of ANZAC art.
- James** - Fantastic directed drawing for our ANZAC art.
- Claudia** - For solving problems with maturity and honesty.

## Te Kete Manawa

- Romaan** - For awesome engagement at maths workshops and sharing your amazing maths brain.
- Lachie** - For fantastic sign language and singing during shared singing time.
- Max** - For being so confident when sharing your interests with the whānau.
- Grisha** - For being able to show that  $4 \times 2$  is the same answer as  $2 \times 4$  but they look different.
- Aditya** - For making great contributions to our group discussion during reading workshops.
- Inwoo** - For persevering with more challenging texts in reading workshops. Ka pai!
- Adi** - For doing great work in literacy and how to identify the parts of a sentence.
- Harley** - For practising your times tables at home and being very quick with his  $\times 2$ .
- Te Kekerewai** - For using your magnificent 'maths goggles' at workshop when making arrays.

## Te Kete Aronui

- Charlotte** - For great work with fractions.
- Hakaraia** - For being in the right place at the right time.
- Olivia** - For your effort in literacy time.
- Amelia** - For showing determination in maths when working with fractions.
- Jamie** - For fantastic writing. Your information report is going well.
- Donnacha** - For being engaged in maths, especially rich tasks.
- Alex** - For making good choices and working independently.
- Haoxuan** - For amazing work in maths.

## Te Kete Tangaroa

- Louis** - For training hard at cross country practice.
- Jacob** - For showing all the working in his maths book.
- Dominic** - For volunteering to do bike duty numerous times.
- Frankie** - For showing great enthusiasm and can-do attitude during cross country practice.
- Kate** - For her willingness to learn a new strategy in maths.
- Luca** - For stepping up and making good choices in learning.
- Danie** - For showing perseverance during Maths to learn new strategies.
- Jorja** - For focus and accuracy in large numbers.
- Trinity** - Working on word problems in Maths.



## Community Notices



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**ANNUAL BOOK SALE**

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### KING'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND 2024

**31 May 1 June**

Friday 10AM - 8 PM Saturday 10AM - 6 PM

**100,000+ Books**

Games, DVDs,  
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Comics & more...

**2 June 3 June**

Sunday 10AM - 4 PM Monday 10AM - 2 PM

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### **Beginners' karate classes starting now**


We invite kids (aged 8 and above) and adults to come along and try a training session at the dojo and give Universal Shotokan Karate a try. Universal Shotokan Karate Union is a Shotokan-based style of Karate, and emphasises a balanced development of speed, strength, and range of techniques.

**Class times (Mondays and Thursdays):** 6:00pm to 6:30 for kids (age 8-12) 6:30 to 7:30pm for adults and teenagers

**First week is free.**

Please contact Sensei Julia Tanner [USKUNewZealand@gmail.com](mailto:USKUNewZealand@gmail.com) to book.

See <https://usku-karate.nz/> for more information





# **ROAD SHOW**

*Calling All Year 5-8 Players*

*Come along to the roadshow to join in with activities, grab photos and signatures of the Pulse Players!*

**Saturday May 11**  
**Massey University Outdoor Courts**  
Year 5-6; 10.30-11.45am - sign in 10.15  
Year 7-8; 11.45-1.00pm - sign in 11.30







# 2024 Palmerston North Brick Show

Two days of amazing LEGO® displays and Interactive activities

**Kings Birthday Weekend**  
**1st June** 9am - 5pm  
**2nd June** 9am - 4pm

**\$5 Entry**  
 EFTPOS Available

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**PALMERSTON INDOOR SPORTS ARENA**



**TERM TWO!!**  
 May 10th to June 28th

# JUNIOR LEAGUE

**6-ASIDE MIXED NETBALL**  
**FRIDAY AFTERNOONS FROM 4:00PM**

YEAR 1-4 \$40  
 YEAR 5-6 \$288  
 YEAR 7-8 \$336  
 HIGHSCHOOL \$432

PRICING IS PER TEAM PER TERM

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 021 064 5885



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