

# HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday the 17th of May 2024

## Important Upcoming Events 2024

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| <b>20 May</b>              | - School Cross Country (postponement date is 22.05)<br>- <b>Pizza orders CLOSE at 9am TODAY</b>                 |
| <b>24 May</b>              | - 9am Whole school assembly - TKT sharing some of their learning<br>- PTA Pizza lunch today                     |
| <b>27 - 31 May</b>         | - Samoan language week  |
| <b>30 May</b>              | - Talent Quest Final<br>- 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<br/>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<br>- 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.
- 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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anApp mobile

Get in touch with us at [support@snapp.co.nz](mailto:support@snapp.co.nz)  
[www.schoolappnz.co.nz](http://www.schoolappnz.co.nz)



## **UPDATE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Kia ora koutou  
Ngā mihi kia koutou

Today is the national Pink Shirt day. Our kura joined the movement and encouraged our staff and students to Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying! Everyone was invited to wear a pink shirt to support the stance to stamp out bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting kindness and inclusion.

This action is in line with our third strategic goal - *Recognising, supporting and celebrating the diversity of our ākongā*. Our strategic goals were formed by the board after last year's community consultation process.



### **PTA PIZZA LUNCH - next Friday**

Orders close at 9am on Monday. As we need time to process the orders, it is not possible to accept orders after this. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

### **ARRIVAL TIME TO SCHOOL**

Thank you for your ongoing support with ensuring your tamaiti (child) arrives at school at the right time each day. With the cooler weather now ahead of us it is not much fun standing outside by the noticeboard in the cold waiting for the 8.30am bell. From 8.30am the tamariki are welcome into our nice warm classrooms to get ready to start their learning on the 8.50am bell.

aPlus are open and provide before school care here if you need supervision before 8.30am.

### **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.

### **FOOTBALL SKILLS**

Mikaela from Central Football has been here for 2 days this week working with all the ākongā providing football skills/drills and fun activities.



## **CROSS COUNTRY**

We hope that lots of you are able to come and watch the cross-country races next Monday. The tamariki have been training hard to prepare to run the best race that they can. Not everyone is destined to be a fast runner, so we value everyone's efforts to complete the course.

Please see below for the **APPROXIMATE** start times for each event.

### **Cross Country Reminders for Whānau**

Please keep clear of the finish and start line so we can clearly see the order of the finishers. We kindly ask that you 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.

**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.**

| <b>time</b> | <b>YEAR/GENDER</b> |
|-------------|--------------------|
| 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        |

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Ngā mihi nui  
Lin Dixon



# SPORTS

## Hokowhitu RedSticks



**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!!***

**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).

## Achievement Awards



### Te Kete Wakahuia

A big Hokowhitu and Waka welcome to **Adrit**.

**Amelia** - For valuing others by listening to what they were saying and then repeating it back.

**Calum** - For valuing others by listening to what they were saying and then repeating it back.

**Paige** - For valuing others by listening to what they were saying and then repeating it back.

**Isaac** - For valuing others by listening to what they were saying and then repeating it back.

**William** - For being a kind and helpful friend. Tino pai!

**Tanish** - For showing perseverance during our cross-country training. Kā pai!

**Zoe** - Welcome to Hokowhitu School!

**Gian** - For showing atawhai to a new student and for helping your kaiako to learn Korean.

### Te Kete Pounamu

**Ash** - For skip counting in 2s, 5s, and 10s.

**Cooper** - For having fantastic manners and giving compliments to others.

**Darcy** - For being a kind and caring member of the kete.

**Zara** - For an excellent kind hearts poster.

**Liana** - For excellent effort in maths.

**Beaudi** - For being a kind, caring and reliable member of our kete.

**Hiku** - For being a creative and enthusiastic member of TKP.

**James** - For a huge improvement in your handwriting and your presentation.

**Maggie** - For following instructions quickly and for being at the right place at the right time.

# Achievement Awards



## Te Kete Manawa

**Kinza** - For your excellent enthusiasm during our football skills session.

**Ameerah** - For great scientific caterpillar mahi during inquiry.

**Felix** - For sharing amazing scientific prior knowledge during inquiry.

**Noah** - For demonstrating some great football skills during our session.

**Lohan** - For demonstrating some great football skills during our session.

**Isla D** - For a standout effort during our football drills and skills session.

**Hanna** - For sharing your maths strategies with confidence! Well done for continuing to take risks in your learning!

**Isla F** - For a fabulous maths learner who is engaged and steps up every lesson! Ka rawe!

**Paxton** - For fantastic resilience and enthusiasm in your maths learning! Tino pai!

## Te Kete Aronui

**Ali** - For getting involved with great ideas in animation.

**Anita** - For always having such a positive attitude. Tino pai!

**Brodie** - For being a kind and thoughtful member of TKA. Ka pai!

**Georgia** - For fantastic fraction work in maths. Ka Pai!

**Edward** - For showing skill and sportsmanship in P.E. Tino pai!

**Harry D** - For showing skill and sportsmanship in P.E.

**Senura** - For taking pride in your work. Keep up the great effort!

**Shanaaya** - For showing us how talented you are at singing and in art. Tino pai!

**Ted** - For stepping up at maths time. You are on task and helpful in every lesson. Ka pai!

## Te Kete Tangaroa

**Madisyn** - For working hard in addition and subtraction.

**Sahar** - For writing a marvellous explanation about her dream house.

**Molly D** - Working hard to master the 'equal additions' strategy in maths.

**Hawaiki** - For showing others how to simplify fractions.

**Titus** - Working with speed and accuracy to master a new maths strategy.

**Jaxon** - Being focussed at literacy time.

**Samuel** - Consistently leading by example.

**Luke** - Successfully turning fragments into sentences.

**Hohua** - For working hard at learning new strategies in maths.



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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



2024  
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**1st June** 9am - 5pm  
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### Get in touch to learn more:



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