



# HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

# Friday the 21st of June 2024

## **Important Upcoming Events 2024**

NEW ITEM 21 June	- PTA fundraiser - Cookie order forms come home in bags today. Please check		
NEW ITEM 26 June	- Ki O Rahi Tournament for selected year 5 & 6 students		
NEW ITEM 26 June - 2 July	- We will gratefully accept vegetable donations - so we can make lots of yummy soup for the upcoming Te Ao Māori hui (more detail below)		
27 June	- House T-shirt day, wear your house t-shirt with the rest of your uniform		
28 June	- Matariki public holiday - SCHOOL IS CLOSED		
EARLY START TIME FOR HUI 3 July	- 4.30pm Whānau hui in TKM - 5pm Te Ao Māori/Whānau hui evening here at school. Everyone welcome!		
NEW ITEM 4 July	- Whole school end of term reward - <b>DRESS UP DAY</b> . Come dressed up instead of uniform		
5 July	- 10am Whole school assembly - Farewell assembly for Mrs Griffin (TKP's assembly will be early in Term 3)		
5 July	- 3pm School closes for the term 2 holidays		
22 July	- 8.50am School opens for term 3		
NEW ITEM 24 July	- Cookie orders close today - final day to place orders.		
25 July	- 9.15am Year 6's to PNINS roadshow		
26 July	- Mid-year reports come home in school bags this afternoon		

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

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.

## **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





## UPDATE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou Ngā mihi kia koutou

Our kapa haka roopu performed superbly at Te Pae Tamariki earlier this week. We have had very positive feedback about many aspects of the day. Firstly, the very high standard of the performance, but also the respectful manner in which our tamariki behaved both in the theatre and outside with an unexpected evacuation. Tino pai!

Once again, I extend my HUGE thanks to Mrs Blay and Mr Masoe who, along with the ākonga, have put in the hard mahi!

I also extend my thanks to the wider whānau for the support you have shown in assisting with the preparation for this.

This is an example of us working within both our second and fourth strategic goals:

- Increasing ākonga and kaiako knowledge of and engagement with te ao Māori
- Enhancing ākonga wellbeing by encouraging participation in physical activity and performance arts

#### **WELCOME**

Mrs Jacinta Robertson commenced with us this week as Learning Coach - welcome Jacinta, it is great to have you with us.

#### **PTA FUNDRAISER**

Please check school bags today for an order form inviting you to purchase bags of delicious frozen cookie dough - VERY easily baked ready for enjoying.

We hope that lots of you will want to purchase cookies for yourself and/or invite friends, neighbours, whānau to buy a bag or two themselves.

The PTA will reward our top 3 sellers with a prize!

The final day for us to receive cookie orders is Wednesday the 24th of July, so you have plenty of time to collect orders and payment before then.

#### WHĀNAU HUI

This will be held at 4.30pm on Wednesday 3 July. We invite everyone with an interest in 'things Māori' at our kura to come along, see our presentation around what is occurring at our kura with a specific Māori lens, and be part of our korero. Please stay on afterwards and participate in the following hui.

#### TE AO MĀORI HUI: 5 - 6pm on Wednesday 3 July

This section of the evening is for EVERYONE! Make sure this is on your calendar. Each kete will be sharing something related to Matariki/Puanga/Māori games/activities. Our (famous in Hokowhitu) 'soup kitchen' will again be operating as part of the rotations!

From Wednesday the 26 June, we will be gratefully accepting fresh vegetable donations for soup making in preparation of the hui. Last year whānau generously donated a few onions, carrots, potatoes or kumara, whole or part of a pumpkin, a bunch of celery etc. This allowed us to make multiple crock pots of soup - enough for everyone to enjoy a cup of soup and a bun.

#### WHOLE SCHOOL REWARD

Every term the student council comes up with 3 options of potential rewards to recognise all the ākonga who have been showing our STRIVE values. Everyone who earns a strive voucher gets to vote for the reward of their choice. Although we still have 3 weeks left in the term, there is one reward clearly ahead of the others. We can therefore announce that a DRESS UP DAY is scheduled for THURSDAY 4th JULY. Come to school dressed up that day instead of in uniform.

#### **CENTENARY TEA TOWELS**

We still have a few 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.

#### **ATAWHAI AWARDS**

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

**TKW:** Eliza W - You always show atawhai towards others by being a caring and helpful friend. You display our school STRIVE values every single day. You are conscientious and you are always showing respect towards others by listening to them. Thank-you for being a responsible and reliable member of Huia who is an outstanding role model for others. He whetu koe!

**TKP: Madi G** - You have really stepped up this year. You always show enthusiasm for learning by participating in everything happening around school, from talent quest to jump jam and kapa haka. You also show leadership by encouraging others to join in these activities with you. You have helped newer members of TKP to settle into our routines and formed new friendships along the way, keep up the positive attitude Madi.

**TKM:** Paikea - We appreciate how you are always respecting our environment by clearing up the classroom at the end of lessons. You return stationery to those that have left it lying around. You show kindness to your peers and are always willing to help them when needed. You encourage others and are a good role model. Your positivity and smile brightens our kete. Thank you for showing atawhai.

**TKA: Ben B** - Ben approaches adults enthusiastically to engage in conversations. He shows an interest in others and often offers to support others in need. He aims to brighten your day with a positive comment. We appreciate his work ethic in class. You're a role model for others. He whetu koe!

**TKT: Tupuse** - Tupuse is a superstar. He shows atawhai like a ninja, not making a fuss but always there helping others. On our kapa haka trip there was a fire alarm. Tupuse didn't hesitate to show the younger tamariki where to line up calmly and kept checking in with them to make sure they were okay. Thank you, Tupuse, we value and appreciate your kindness!

**STAFF**: **Mr Shirley** - Mr Shirley displays atawhai in many ways at our kura. You may see him busy working with our Enviro team, or just quietly doing something extra for a staff member - he doesn't seek any recognition, he just gets on with helping out! Ngā mihi Andrew.

Have a lovely weekend everyone. Please remember that **next Friday** is a public holiday for Matariki - school will be closed!

Ngā mihi nui Lin Dixon



#### What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition that gives students the opportunity to challenge their higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee, and Digital Technologies. Hokowhitu School offers this to Year 4 - 6 students who want to test their academic talents.

Every student who participates is celebrated and recognised with a printed certificate in each subject area, and an online results report to track development each year. Top performers are eligible for one of the highly coveted ICAS medals.

To learn more about this year's exciting ICAS competition, visit: (icasassessments.com/products-icas/)

#### How to participate in ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

- 1. Read about ICAS subjects and prices here: (icasassessments.com/products-icas/)
- 2. Read the Privacy Collection Statement below.
- **3**. Read the terms and conditions here: (icasassessments.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-ICAS-Assessments-Schools-TsCs S2023.V6-1.pdf)
- **4**. Go to the Parent Portal to sign up to chosen subject areas here: (<a href="mailto:shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps">shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps</a>)
- **5**. Enter our school's access code **WIE149**
- **6**. Enter your child's details, select the subject areas your child would like to participate in, then proceed to payment.

Please note that the ICAS subject areas shown for selection are at the school's discretion. After payment is made via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, please keep this for your records.

#### ICAS results and certificates

All assessments will be conducted online, at school. We will notify you of the date(s) that we will run ICAS assessments, and when your child's ICAS results are ready. Your child's ICAS certificates will be delivered to school. Once we have received them, we will present them to your child to bring home. The back of the certificate will show your child's ICAS results and the login details, "TAP ID and Pin". - Use these to enter the Results Portal <a href="mailto:orti.icasassessments.com/ortiStudent">orti.icasassessments.com/ortiStudent</a>.



#### BADMINTON for years 4, 5 & 6 is 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 if you do not have one already.

Please find the link here - <a href="https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Hokowhitu%20School">https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Hokowhitu%20School</a>.

#### **Key Details**

This is a social competition where players are introduced to singles & doubles badminton with only the basic rules. The first 30 mins each week is coaching for all of the participants to help them develop the basic skills – serving, forehand & backhand.

**Date:** Tue 30<sup>th</sup> of July to Tue 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2024 (8 weeks)

Venue: CET Arena 4, 61 Pascal Street, Palmerston North

**Who:** Open to Yr4, Yr5 and Yr6 players

**Cost:** \$50 each player **Time:** 3:30pm-5.30pm

**Teams:** 2 players per team (boys, girls or mixed)

Registrations close this Tuesday the 25th of June at 3pm - NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!

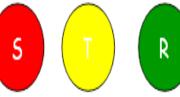
We hire our sports uniforms out for the year so if you haven't paid for one already this year, please add one to your cart.

## Sports available at Hokowhitu school for 2024

(Please note Rugby and Winter Soccer are CLUB sports, these ARE NOT offered at Hokowhitu School).

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Netball - Years 1-4	Basketball - Years 3-6	Netball - Years 5 & 6 (Begins in term 3, week 7 and continues in term 4)	Summer soccer - Years 1-6
Summer Hockey - Years 1-6	Winter hockey - Years 1-6		Summer hockey - Years 1-6
		T-Ball - We are only gathering interest at this stage. The team is for year 0, 1 & 2 students (in 2024) only. The season begins T4 and carries over into T1, 2025.	Touch - Years 1-6
			Volleyball - Years 4-6
Badminton - Years 5 & 6		Badminton - Years 4, 5 & 6	Badminton - Years 5 & 6
These sports are available in term one and they close for registration in week 2 of term 1.	These sports are available in term two and three and they close for registration in week 9 of term 1.	These sports are available in terms three and/or four and registration closes in term 2.	These sports are available in term four and they close for registration in term 3.

## **Achievement Awards**









#### Te Kete Wakahuia

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

**Lucia** - For showing enthusiasm by completing lots of learning in her homework book.

**Juliette** - For showing the "I" in by discovering different art techniques using crayons.

**Isaac** - For showing perseverance when writing independently.

Amelia - For trying hard to blend her words in her reading.

**Greta** - For showing confidence when sharing her thoughts to the entire group.

Emily - For reading with increasing confidence.

Calum - For being a role model when learning.

Spencer - For fantastic counting in maths. Tino pai.

**Sebastian** - For sharing your clever maths thinking with us.

Navya - For showing perseverance to achieve your goals. Kā rawe!

**Arlo** - For striving to be the best you can be in all of your learning. Tino pai!

#### Te Kete Pounamu

Jude - For your excellent progress in reading - tino pai rawa!

Ange - For showing five at mat time. Ka pai!

George - For participation and contributing to class discussions and in workshop.

Meilah - For your presentation in your maths book! Ka pai!

Zoe - For your excellent work in literacy - book work is amazing!

Vinnie - For improved consistency and participation in learning!

#### Te Kete Manawa

Eliza - For your increased confidence sharing your ideas and understanding in reading workshops.

Isla H - For taking pride in her mahi during handwriting at literacy starter.

James - For finding lots of nouns in a nonfiction text during literacy.

**Jonah** - For identifying times when we can share kind messages with each other.

**Carter N** - For demonstrating self-managing skills after lunch for Lexia.

**Junoo** - For showing a good understanding of the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

Mia - For fantastic geometry mahi with different triangles during maths workshop.

**Adam** - For writing a great procedural piece about how to make playdough.

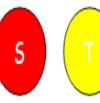
**Isla De** - For your willingness to read aloud in our group sessions.

**Leo W** - For sharing his knowledge of vertices during our geometry maths workshop.

**Tilley** - For being kind and caring and helping those in need.



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#### Te Kete Aronui

Maleigha-Rose - For beautiful symmetry art. Well done!

Ruiling - For amazing symmetry art. Ka pai!

Mila P - For stepping up and being involved in school activities.

**Mellany** - For improved recall of times tables.

Lucy - For brilliant imaginative writing.

Oscar - For improved focus during maths time.

Maggie - For writing clever complex sentences.

**Skye** - For being able to break numbers into parts to solve problems.

Mason H - For working hard to create compound sentences in writing.

#### Te Kete Tangaroa

Louis - For great focus in maths.

**Olivia G** - For writing a great explanation on how to use Banker.

Molly SK - For reading fluently.

Flynn - For outstanding achievement in maths.

**Emma** - Great work pushing yourself to do 2-digit by 2-digit multiplication.

Richard - For mastering "Xtra" in maths.

Ava K - For thoughtful contributions in our health unit.

C-Jay - Performing with pride at Kapa haka.

Ronav - For creating and writing his own music to then play on the virtual drums.



## 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!



Join us for Puanga Festival and celebrate the Māori New Year!

# 28 PIPIRI / JUNE | 3 - 7PM CENTRAL ENERGY TRUST ARENA

Embrace the theme of "Matariki Heri Kai
- The Feast of Matariki" with delicious food,
community stalls, kapa haka, and activities for tamariki.

Enjoy a special performance by Anika Moa.

Visit **pncc.govt.nz/events** or visit **Ngāti Hineaute** on Facebook





## THE EGG PROJECT....

We're gearing up to pack the freshest, happiest eggs this side of the henhouse, and we don't want you to miss out. Our Free Range and Certified Organic Free-Range eggs come from the happiest hens you'll ever meet (unless you've got your own chooks!).

## Why should you scramble to order before the cut-off?

- 1. **Unbeatable Freshness:** These eggs are so fresh, they practically come with a cluck of approval.
- 2. **Fundraising Fun:** For every dozen you buy, we give \$1.00 back to your school. That's a win-win for everyone!
- 3. **Support Local:** You're backing a small local business that's cracking out its best to make a difference in our community.





Don't egg-nore this opportunity - get your dozen(s) now and enjoy the freshest eggs you can get without building a coop in your backyard.

Click here to place your

order: www.theeggproject.co.nz

Order by Midnight Tuesday for Thursday collection from the school office. **Our Hokowhitu School code is SCH-003** 





# Get Baskethall ready these July holidays!

July 8th & 9th

Here at Bounce Academy, our holiday programmes focus on skillsets, fundamentals, games and team skills for boys and girls aged 5 - 12 years old.

\$50 for YR 1 & 2 (8 JUL ONLY \$80 for Yr 3 - 8 (BOTH DAYS)

REGISTER **ONLINE NOW** 



## Includes:

HOLIDAY CAMP TEE!

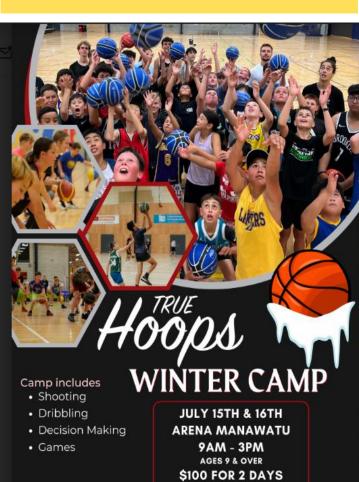






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