

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday the 22nd of August 2024

Important Upcoming Events 2024

23 August TOMORROW	- Teacher Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
29 August	- Ricoh sports tournament for selected senior teams
CHANGE OF FOCUS! 30 August	- Daffodil Day - bring a gold coin donation for the Cancer Society Please wear green or yellow to represent a daffodil's colours!
4 September	- Kapa Haka festival at PNINS for senior Kapa Haka roopu - More whānau support needed for this day please (see Mrs Blay or Mr Masoe)
5 September	- Ballot for out of zone New Entrants for Terms 1 and 2 2025
6 September	- 9am Assembly TKM sharing their learning
10 September	- 5.30 Board meeting in the staffroom
SAVE THIS DATE NOW! 26 September	- 6.30pm Whole School Major Production at the Regent Theatre
27 September	- (OPTIONAL) 10am start this morning (after a big night last night) - Please make sure you let the office know if this is your preferred start time. - 3pm School closes for term break

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



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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!





UPDATE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou
Ngā mihi kia koutou

SCHOOL CLOSURE

Please remember that school is CLOSED tomorrow - teaching staff are undertaking professional learning around the newly released draft of the Mathematics and Statistics curriculum, AND also becoming more familiar with a new resource designed by our Kahui Ako (in conjunction with Rangitāne Iwi), providing information relating to the history and particular tikanga of the Rangitāne Iwi.

BALLOT FOR OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS FOR TERMS 1 AND 2 OF 2025

Have you got a child turning 5 in the first half of next year or do you know someone who would like to enrol at our school over that period? Now is the time for you to complete enrolment information - packs are available at the school office. A ballot, if required, will be held under police supervision on the 5th of September. We anticipate that there will be up to 12 places for out of zone/non priority Terms 1 and 2 2024 New Entrants, up to 3 places for each of Years 2, 3 and 5 ākonga and up to 5 places for Years 4 and 6.

COOKIES

Thank you so much to everyone who helped with cookie sorting and distribution yesterday - it was a fabulous turnout and the job was completed in fantastic timing. Huge thanks to Amy Westergaard who spearheaded the whole process (and of course Jen Bates who provided her usual efficient administrative support).

LEARNING SUPPORT AWARENESS DAY - 29 August

This is being recognised next Thursday. Staff will be wearing purple to show their support for awareness of this day.

Teachers, education support staff, principals and learning support specialists agree on what is needed to really make a difference in education for tamariki

- Increase the number of teacher aides
- Increase the number of learning support specialists

For any parents/whānau who are interested, NZEI Te Riu Roa and Te Haunui Central Area Council Ngā Aukaha (Learning Support) network members are excited to invite you to a public forum with educationalists, whānau/parents, local MPs and community representatives to discuss learning support needs in education.

The Minister of Education has identified learning support as one of her priorities for education so this will be a great opportunity to hear from those who are directly affected. Speakers will identify some key solutions that they believe will go some way to meet the learning support needs in the sector.

The details for the forum are:

Date: Wednesday 4 September
Time: 6.00pm – 7.30pm
Venue: Copthorne Hotel Steeple Room
Address: 110 Fitzherbert Avenue
Palmerston North

To register for this event, click [here](#)

KAPA HAKA

Year 4-6 Kapa Haka Festival on 4th of September:

Permission slips for this upcoming trip are due in. We need 2 more parent/whānau helpers, so if you are available to help on this trip - please email Mrs Blay.

TREE PLANTING 2024 - By Austin. D (TKT)

"Today on the 22nd of August 2024 my fellow ambassadors and I went to the Ashurst Domain to plant some trees. Unfortunately, Hannah was away so there were only three of us other than Mr Hawkins and Mr Masoe. Firstly we all stood together with other schools who brought their leaders as well. We did a Karakia and some people talked about some famous Māori people and what they did special. Next we got to the planting part of the day where we planted about 8 different trees and 5 different types, and while we were planting the last one I found a couple worms and called one Jimmy the worm. Lastly, we had a little snack. They bought a bunch of muffins. I had a chocolate chip one and a pastry one. I played on the gym equipment for a bit and then we had to go back to school and altogether it was a pretty fun thing to do instead of literacy".



ATAWHAI AWARDS

At this morning's assembly the following people were recognised for their efforts to show atawhai (kindness) here at school.

TKW: Lucy B - We are so lucky to have you in Huia, Lucy. You are a kind and caring member of our kete who always strives to do the very best. You show atawhai to others by helping them and move around our kete in a quiet and respectful manner. Lucy, you always try very hard with your learning and are a superstar in reading. He whetu koe - you are a star.

TKP: Aaden - You are a superstar role model. We can always rely on you to be leading by example in the kete. You always manage your belongings, sit up nicely on the mat, and show respect towards all your teachers. Ka rawe Aaden. We have also noticed how hard you are working on your learning in class and we appreciate all your efforts, whether you are in a workshop or working independently, you always Step Up and do your best work!

TKM: Te Kekerewai - We have appreciated you showing kindness to others by welcoming new students and making them feel supported. You help them settle in and assist them when learning the kete routines and expectations. In addition, you help others to manage themselves when they need it. Your calming and caring nature is appreciated by those around you. Thank you for showing atawhai.

TKA: Ted D - You consistently show atawhai with your fantastic attitude to learning. You are a great role model in TKA, always the first to be ready and always trying your hardest with any task given. You are respectful and reliable, and always willing to help out others when you can. Your positive, thoughtful and helpful attitude makes you a valuable member of our kete.

TKT: Hohua - You always show Atawhai in TKT by being focused and speaking gently with kind words. You are happy to work with anyone in a cooperative no fuss way. We really appreciate what you bring to TKT everyday. Keep being the role model you are.

STAFF: Mrs Lovegrove - Mrs Lovegrove shows atawhai in many ways. She is a person who puts her hand up to get involved in 'extracurricular' activities - things like choir, orienteering, kind hearts day for example. Mrs Lovegrove doesn't 'fuss' about taking on these things, she just does them with a smile and enthusiasm. Thank you for showing atawhai in these ways Jenny - he whetu koe.

Wishing everyone a great weekend. We look forward to seeing the tamariki from 8.30am next Monday morning. **Remember, no school tomorrow!**

Ngā mihi nui
Lin Dixon

SPORTS - The following Sports are NOW OPEN on Kindo

A reminder when signing up for sports that you and your child are committing to a full season. It is unfair on other team mates to pull out halfway through a season. Please ensure you have talked to your child before signing up that they will have to commit to the full season. Thank you for your understanding in this.

SUMMER HOCKEY - (For Term 4) - This is **OPEN** on Kindo **NOW**.

To register follow the link here - <https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Hokowhitu%20School>.

Registrations close at 12pm on Wednesday the 11th of September (unless teams are full prior to this date) - Unfortunately no late registrations can be accepted.

Key Details

Weekday: Tuesdays for years 1 - 4, Wednesdays years 5 & 6
Date: Years 1 - 4, 22nd October - 26th of November. Years 5 & 6, 23rd of October - 27th of November
6 weeks total
Venue: Twin Turfs, 6A Manawaroa Street, Palmerston North
Who: **Open to ALL students** (mixed teams)
Cost: **\$25 for years 0, 1 & 2 per player, \$30 for years 3 - 6 per player**
(plus \$5 for uniform hire if you have not hired a uniform in 2024 yet)
Time: Afterschool (Approx. 3.15 - 6pm)

SUMMER SOCCER (For Term 4) - This is **OPEN** on Kindo **NOW**.

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Key Details

Weekday: Wednesday
Date: Starting 16th October - until the 11th of December
Venue: Central Energy Trust Arena, Pascal Street (Outside)
Who: **Open to ALL students** (mixed teams OR all girls team - if available)
Cost: \$30 per player (plus \$5 for uniform hire if you have not hired a uniform in 2024 yet)
Time: 4pm - 6.30pm

Coaches will be needed for all teams - there is no requirement for practices, but a coach will need to be at games to manage the team and sub players on and off.

- It is recommended that all players wear shin pads. Failure to do so (while not punishable) may result in injury.
- No metal studded boots are to be worn. Moulded football boots or touch shoes are recommended.

All rules will be as normal FIFA rules, with the exception of the following:

- There are no offsides.
- There are **NO** slide tackles.



T- BALL - (For Term 4, 2024 & Term 1, 2025) - This is **OPEN** on Kindo **NOW**.

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Key Details (Under 7s)

Weekday: Saturday
Date: **Pre Xmas** - Nov 2nd to Dec 14th (7 weeks), **Post Xmas** - Feb 1st to Mar 29th (9 weeks)
Venue: Colquhoun Park, Fairs Road, Palmerston North
Who: Open to 5 & 6 year olds (years 0, 1 & eligible year 2s - **MUST not be 7 before 14.12.2024**)
Cost: \$15 per player (Pricing for Term 4 only)
(plus \$5 for uniform hire if you have not hired a uniform in 2024 yet)
Time: 9-9.40am

Key Details (Under 9s)

Weekday: Saturday
Date: **Pre Xmas** - Nov 2nd to Dec 14th (7 weeks), **Post Xmas** - Feb 1st to Mar 29th (9 weeks)
Venue: Colquhoun Park, Fairs Road, Palmerston North
Who: Open to 7 & 8 year olds (years 2, 3 & eligible year 4s - **MUST not be 9 before 14.12.2024**)
Cost: \$15 per player (Pricing for Term 4 only)
(plus \$5 for uniform hire if you have not hired a uniform in 2024 yet)
Time: 10.15- 10.45am

*We strongly suggest anyone looking at playing in the under 9s who **HAS NOT** played T-ball or Softball before does the following pre-season program*

SOFTBALL MANAWATU

AGE 7-9 PRESEASON PROGRAM

Key Info

- Dates:** Saturdays, October 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th, 2024
- Time:** 9:30 to 10:30am (Arrive 15mins early)
- Location:** Colquhoun Park (JFK side), Palmerston North
- Ages:** 7 to 9 Years
- Purpose:** To teach basic softball skills and build confidence for new and returning players
- Cost:** FREE TO ATTEND

FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER CLICK HERE:



FUTSAL (For Term 4) - This is **OPEN** on Kindo **NOW**.

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Registrations close at 12pm on Wednesday the 4th of September (unless teams are full prior to this date) - Unfortunately no late registrations can be accepted.

Key Details

Weekday: Tuesday
Date: Starting 22nd October - until the 10th of December (8 games)
Venue: Central Energy Trust, Arena 4, Pascal Street
Who: **Open to years 3 - 6 students** (mixed teams)
Cost: \$45 per player (plus \$5 for uniform hire if you have not hired a uniform in 2024 yet)
Time: 4pm, 4.30pm or 5pm

“Futsal is a football-based game played on a hardcourt like a basketball court, smaller than a football pitch, and mainly indoors. It has similarities to five-a-side football and indoor football. Futsal is played between two teams of five players each, one of whom is the goalkeeper”.

VOLLEYBALL (For Term 4) - This is **OPEN** on Kindo **NOW**.

To register follow the link here - <https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Hokowhitu%20School>.

Registrations close at 12pm on Wednesday the 28th of August (unless teams are full prior to this date) - Unfortunately no late registrations can be accepted.

Key Details

Weekday: Tuesday
Date: Starting 15th October - until the 3rd of December (7 weeks)
Venue: Central Energy Trust, Arena 3, Pascal Street
Who: **Open to Yr4, Yr5 and Yr6 mixed**
Cost: \$35 per player (plus \$5 for uniform hire if you have not hired a uniform in 2024 yet)
Time: 3.45-6pm

TOUCH RUGBY (For Term 4) - This is **OPEN** on Kindo **NOW**.

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Key Details

Weekday: Friday
Date: Starting 18th October - until the 6th of December (8 weeks)
Venue: Monrad Park (Highbury Avenue, Palmerston North)
Who: **Open to ALL students**
Cost: \$35 per player (plus \$5 for uniform hire if you have not hired a uniform in 2024 yet)
Time: **(Be Wary that times may change due to number of entries)**
U8 & U10, play at 4.00pm & 4.30pm
U12s play at 5.00pm & 5.30pm

If you have any questions about any of the above sports available please contact Jen Bates - office@hokowhitu.school.nz.

Sports available at Hokowhitu school for 2024

We will let you know in upcoming newsletters and through the School App when these sports are open on Kindo.

(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 4, 5 & 6	Summer soccer - Years 0 - 6 OPEN NOW ON KINDO
Summer Hockey - Years 1-6	Winter hockey - Years 1-6	FUTSAL - Years 3 - 6 OPEN NOW ON KINDO	Summer hockey - Years 0 - 6 OPEN NOW ON KINDO
		T-Ball - Years 0 - 2 OPEN NOW ON KINDO	Touch Rugby - Years 0 - 6 OPEN NOW ON KINDO
			Volleyball - Years 4, 5 & 6 OPEN NOW ON KINDO
Badminton - Years 5 & 6		Badminton - Years 4, 5 & 6	Badminton - Years 5 & 6
<i>These sports are available in term one and they close for registration in week 2 of term 1.</i>	<i>These sports are available in term two and three and they close for registration in week 9 of term 1.</i>	<i>These sports are available in terms three and/or four and registration closes in term 3.</i>	<i>These sports are available in term four and they close for registration in term 3.</i>

INTERMEDIATE INFORMATION FOR YEAR 6 WHĀNAU

PNINS Enrolments Open

Monday 5 August

OPEN DAY Tuesday 6th August - 3 sessions (9.30am, 11.30am, 2pm)

PNINS Enrolments Close

Friday 13th September, 4pm



Ross Intermediate:

Enrolments open 5th August

Open Evening on 21st August

Session 1: 5:00pm - 6:30pm

Session 2: 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Open Day Tours:

September 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th

Session 1: 9:00am - 9:30am

Session 2: 9:30am - 10:00am

Session 3: 11:30am - 12:00pm

Enrolments Close

13th September

OUT OF ZONE BALLOT (if required)

Wednesday 18 September 2024

ORIENTATION EVENING FOR YEAR 6 PARENTS

Tuesday 24 September Performing Arts Centre (Te Tihi) PNINS, 6pm Term 3



Achievement Awards

Te Kete Wakahuia

Ayah - For striving to do her best with her learning.

Jack - For stepping up and helping others with their learning.

Hayze - For being a super helper this week.

Tilly - For showing enthusiasm when singing and dancing.

Ivan - For your amazing writing! Kā rawe.

Zoe - For your amazing dancing!

Cyrus - For being a super listener in class. Tino pai.

Mila - For having wonderful manners and being a kind friend. Tino pai.

Te Kete Pounamu

Cooper - Wow you are getting so quick with your addition and subtraction facts - Ka pai!

Aadarsh - Amazing effort at dancing - what a star you are!

Dontae - For being a fabulous role model at dance lessons - Mahi pai

Sid - Fabulous focus and effort at learning our dance for production.

Luke - Your timing and coordination when learning our dance for production! He whetu koe!

Toanui - For solving many 2 digit addition equations with regrouping. Ka rawe!

Ashpreet - For reading with increased accuracy and expression.

Ava - For always being inclusive of others and enthusiastic towards your learning.

Brodie - For being confident and taking risks with your learning.

Te Kete Manawa

Eugene - For being confident and speaking clearly in reading groups.

Leo W - For showing great thinking when completing your addition work.

Te Whakaira - For having great timing with your dance moves in production practice.

Ajay - For a super effort learning our dance moves for dance practice.

Anna S - For lovely listening during maths and completing great addition work.

Ameerah - For reading out loud in group reading and using good expressions.

Romannah - For your wonderful self-management skills and showing respect.

Lohan - For a fantastic effort with your preparation for your poetry competition.

Joud - For demonstrating a focussed approach to Maths Starter.





Achievement Awards

Te Kete Aronui

Mario, Lincoln, Ted - For working hard to remember your speech off by heart. Keep it up!

Shanaaya - For preparing a great speech in only a short amount of time! Well done!

Ruiling - For showing confidence practising your speech. Well done!

Skye, Madison - For your outstanding attitude in Literacy. Fantastic!

Brodie - For great problem solving with patterns in maths. Great work!

Ryder - For great ukulele skills and helping others out with chords. Awesome!

Te Kete Tangaroa

Amos - For entering into the character and performing with humour during drama.

Luke - Excellent book presentation especially in handwriting.

Suhanah - For joining in drama activities with enthusiasm.

Leo - For attention to detail when arranging an original beat.

Jonathan - For excellent arrangement of an original, during beat making.

Molly Sk - Thank you for stepping up graciously and modelling the production costumes.

Amit - Congratulations on your excellent techniques learnt and used during art.

Ruixin - For excellent dancing skills.

Kayva - For joining in your play with enthusiasm during reading time.



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**NIUSINA A LE
PASEFIKA DANCE
ACADEMY**

JOIN OUR CULTURAL GROUP AS WE PREPARE FOR OUR END OF YEAR CONCERT WITH SONGS AND DANCES FROM THE PASEFIKA AREA AND BEYOND

**FOR MORE DETAILS OR TO REGISTER CHECK OUT OUR
WEBISTE: WWW.NIUSINA.ORG.NZ**





Open Day!

Saturday 7 September | 9:00 to 11:30 AM
PNINS Auditorium

Come and explore our affordable, accessible music classes for children in the Manawātū! We offer classes for:

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

www.saturdaymusic.org.nz
contact@saturdaymusic.org.nz



NZSC Manawatu Tough Kid® Challenge 2025

Mount Biggs School, with the support of Sport Manawatu, would like you to **SAVE THE DATE** for NZSC Manawatu Tough Kid® Challenge 2025.

FRIDAY MARCH 21st 2025



Follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/manawatutoughkid>

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.



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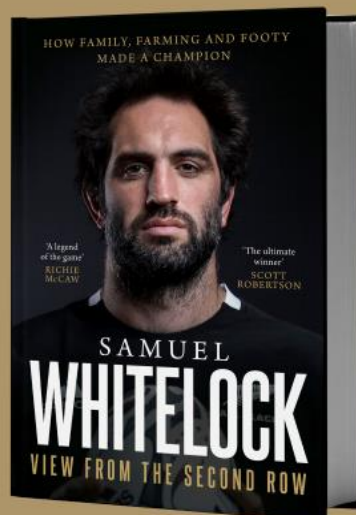


Don't egg-nore this opportunity - get your dozen(s) now and enjoy the freshest eggs you can get without building a coop in your backyard.

Click here to place your order: www.theeggproject.co.nz

Order by Midnight Tuesday for Thursday collection from the school office.

THE MOST CAPPED ALL BLACK
IN HISTORY



SAMUEL WHITELOCK

signing copies of his new
book in store at Paper Plus

4 - 4.30pm Friday 30 August

85-88 The Square, Palmerston North

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