

HOKOWHITU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday the 13th of September 2024

Important Upcoming Events 2024

NEW ITEM 20 September	- 11.00 Senior choir group to perform at Olive Tree village this morning Thanks to Mrs Lovegrove for her leadership with the choir.
26 September	- 6.30pm Whole School Major Production at the Regent Theatre Tickets are on sale NOW.
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
14 October	- 8.50am School opens for Term 4
NEW ITEM 14 - 25 October	- Orders open for 2025 calendar art, diaries, cards. Great Christmas gifts!!
15 and 16 October	- School photographs taken over these 2 days
28 October	- SCHOOL CLOSED - PUBLIC HOLIDAY, Labour Day
29 October	- SCHOOL CLOSED - Teacher Only Day
31 Oct - 1 Nov	- Year 4 sleepover and EOTC trip to Ngā Manu

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

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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

Next week New Zealand/Aotearoa celebrates Māori Language Week

Māori Language Week has been celebrated in Aotearoa since 1975. This special week is an opportunity for the concentrated celebration and promotion of te reo Māori, helping to secure its future as a living, dynamic, and rich language.

In the mid-20th century, there were concerns that the Māori language was dying out. The future of te reo Māori was the subject of a Waitangi Tribunal claim in 1985. The tribunal's recommendations led to far-reaching legislative and policy changes. Māori became an official language of New Zealand in 1987. [Te Taura Whiri i te Reo Māori](#) was established in the same year to promote te reo.

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori is part of a broad Māori language revival programme and raises public awareness for Māori language learning and public usage. [Mahuru Māori](#) is an initiative begun in 2017 to promote the use of te reo Māori throughout September.

Kaiako (teachers) will be giving extra celebration and promotion of te reo Māori over the week.

This is an example of us working towards our second strategic goal
Increasing ākonga and kaiako knowledge of and engagement with te ao Māori

TEACHER TRAINEES

TKA is currently hosting Samadhee De Silva as she completes her final practicum placement.

Next week TKT welcomes Zoe Hunter-Pride - she is also embarking on her final practicum placement. We will enjoy you both sharing your skills and passions with our ākonga, while honing your own professional skills. Thanks to Mrs G/M and Whaea Liz who are mentoring these kaiako.

SPEECH (Y5/6) AND POETRY (Y4) COMPETITIONS

Congratulations to all our finalists in last week's competition.

Special congratulations to the following winners.

YEAR	1st	2nd	3rd
4	Joel T	Georgia I	Isabella S
5	William C	Amos S	Orla O
6	Daniel S	Hannah P	Alex G



NORTHERN CLUSTER SPEECH COMPETITION

Our kura was represented at this event last night by **Daniel S** - who placed first in the Hokowhitu School Year 6 competition.

Daniel presented his speech along with 8 other Y 6 ākonga from other schools in our cluster. Daniel performed with enthusiasm, passion and humour. He whetu koe Daniel - you are a star!



THANK YOU

To Jenny Buchanan who has generously donated a copy of her first book to our library. It is called 'Ana's Magic X-ray'.

Jenny's plan is to write a series with a medical and/or mindset theme.

The goal is to prepare children and build knowledge, confidence, and resilience for any situation (not just medical).

'Ana's Magic X-ray' is a fiction book but with a real-life feel, showing children what happens and what to expect in a more relatable way.

It has a mindset theme too, showing the power of positive self-talk in the magic spell/poem, as well using imagination and distraction.

MAJOR PRODUCTION TICKETS

Have you purchased your tickets to be able to come along and enjoy our 2024 Major Production? Every child at our kura has the opportunity to appear on the stage of the Regent Theatre on Thursday 26th September. This biennial event is an exciting opportunity to showcase the performing arts and gives the tamariki the chance to perform in front of a large audience.

Thanks to **Miss Maxene** from Maximum Dance Zone who has been working with all kete preparing their dance for the production.

Tickets are available NOW (See link below) -

<https://www.regent.co.nz/shows/celebrating-100-years-hokowhitu-school>



(Reminder we are not selling tickets in the school office, they can **ONLY** be purchased through the Regent Theatre). If you are buying **ONLINE**, click on "Find Tickets" and then on the right is "**FIND BEST AVAILABLE**".

There is NO cost for Hokowhitu students who are performing on stage.

PRICING -

- Adult prices are \$10.00 plus the Regent booking fee which is an **extra** \$3.50 in-store, \$2.50 online or \$4.50 over the phone.

- Children 14 years and under are \$5.00 **plus** the Regent booking fee.

- Children under 3 years are free if they are on your lap. Please note if they require their own seat then the cost is \$5.00 **plus** the Regent booking fee.

Ngā mihi nui

Lin Dixon

SPORTS



Thank you to all of you who have registered your child in a term 3 or term 4 sport.

This is now in the admin phase so please be patient while we collate teams/coaches/managers/uniforms and registrations with clubs.

If your child is no longer playing a sport for this year, please return their sports uniform as soon as possible, there may be a full replacement charge for any uniforms not returned. Thank you for your understanding in this.

Netball - Hokowhitu Shooters

The Hokowhitu Shooters had an amazing first game! They had great space awareness and put everything they learnt from training into the game. We are so proud of how our team played and were even commended on our netball smarts warmup. Go Shooters!!!

Badminton

Well done to the 9 Badminton teams that are playing each week. A reminder that you have 2 games left, with your last game being held on Tuesday the 24th of September.

Coaches/Managers - If you would like details in the newsletter, please email them to Jen Bates - office@hokowhitu.school.nz.

These sports are now closed until Term 1, 2025

(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
Summer Hockey - Years 1 - 6	Winter hockey - Years 1 - 6	Futsal - Years 3 - 6	Summer hockey - Years 0 - 6
		T-Ball - Years 0 - 2	Touch Rugby - Years 0 - 6
			Volleyball - Years 4, 5 & 6
Badminton - Years 5 & 6		Badminton - Years 4, 5 & 6	Badminton - No longer available
<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>



Achievement Awards

Te Kete Wakahuia

Alyssa - For sharing her knowledge about the different ways to make 5.

Adrit - For talking about his learning and sharing his ideas.

Tiesha - For always striving to do her best with all her learning.

Amelia - For being more attentive on the mat and following instructions.

Everly - For working so hard on your reading and writing. Tino pai.

Harrison W - For the fantastic progress you are making with your writing. Kā rawe.

Freya - For listening well to others and asking relevant questions. Kā pai.

William - For putting great effort into your reading. Kā pai.

Te Kete Pounamu

Jaxxon - For identifying and adding NZ money. Ka pai!

Jude - For knowing your number bonds to 10/20/100.

Nitnem - For confidently joining in class discussions.

Ange - Welcome back to TKP. You have smoothly returned to the kete and classroom routines.

Zoe - For learning the Production dance with confidence.

Te Kete Manawa

Eliza - For including great dialogue when constructing her literacy starter sentences.

James - For being more focused in literacy starter and showing better self-management skills.

Tyson - For showing increased confidence to share his mahi as 'interrogator' at a literacy workshop.

Harley - For showing an improved effort while finishing his follow up mahi in literacy.

Te Kekerewai - For being on task in maths starter and following instructions well.

Tilley - For making good choices about who she plays with and being confident to make changes.

Avyaan - For being an awesome 'artful artist' at a literacy workshop.

Joy - For asking great questions as an 'interrogator' at a literacy workshop.

Junoo - For working well with a buddy to sort bird traits in science.





Achievement Awards

Te Kete Aronui

Rohan - For fantastic work with graphs in maths this week.

Johanna - For fantastic work with graphs in maths this week.

Dwayne - For being a great role model to younger students.

Charlotte - For a fantastic effort with your speech.

Jade - You are working so hard on our TKA dance, you know it so well!

Mellany - You are a stand out performer in our dance for production!

Senura - You have been working really hard in our dance practices. Well done.

Oscar - For a great effort in your art work this week.

Maggie - You have worked hard in maths, showing your understanding of different graphs.

Te Kete Tangaroa

Makayla - For excellent persuasive writing.

Ollie B - For going back and rereading the text to answer questions.

Flynn - For outstanding ball skills in PE.

Maisey - For excellent writing about the kererū.

Molly D - For making a great campaign poster for the Tui.

Willa - For being able to explain the difference between complimentary and complementary.

Ronav - For showing manawanui in maths - aiming for expert level.

Harrison - For showing perseverance with difficult math problems.

Samuel - For doing an awesome job with the whole school recycling.



Community Notices

GENERATION KAINGA

ATTENTION

Rangatahi Māori aged 16-35
Take this quick 25-min survey
Share your housing story now!



Scan the code to participate or visit the link below
www.surveymonkey.com/r/genksurvey

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Te Wiki o Manaaki Welcoming Week

6-15 September



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PALMY Welcoming Communities

Potluck dinner, Te Manawa Museum
Friday 6 September
Starts 5:45pm

Planting Session, Fredrick Krull Reserve
Saturday 7 September
11am-1pm

Passport to Play launch, Central Library
6-15 September

City Welcome Session, Te Manawa Museum
Saturday 14 September
10:30am-12pm

21st SEPTEMBER 

SAKURA DAY

IPU New Zealand

TIME | 10:00 - 3:00
VENUE | 57 Aokautere Drive, Fitzherbert, Palmerston North 4410

Activities	Performances	Food
face painting shooting gallery origami, etc	Drum performance Nichibu dance Sorani dance Music band, etc	Food trucks KJapanese curry Candy floss, etc

For more information: SakuraDay@ipu.ac.nz

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aPlus School Holiday Programme



Spring Holidays 2024
30th Sept to 11th Oct

Hokowhitu School 227 Albert Street PNth
Book at www.aplus.kiwi.nz

aPlus offers the following School Holiday Programmes:

Explorers:

The aPlus Explorers programme is a mixture of centre-based activities (Stay and Play), and excursions (Out and About), for children **7 years and up**. This programme offers a chance for children to experience out and about activities or to have special guests come into the centre to see them.

Holiday Fun

The aPlus Holiday Fun programme is a centre-based programme for children aged **7 years and up**. Children experience the camaraderie of peers they will be with most days. They will be involved in simple cooking, building, art experimentation, sports and games, physical literacy, and teamwork problem solving.

The Small Fry Programme at aPlus -

Small Fry is the aPlus Holiday centre-based programme for **5 & 6 year old** children. The programme is planned and paced for this age group and gives the younger children the opportunity to flourish in the programme without having to compete or try keep up with their older peers. The children will be able to have morning tea and lunch with their older peers and when they turn 7 they will be able to go to the Explorers or Holiday Fun programme.

Awatea

Awatea is the aPlus programme for ages **9 years and up**. There is a mix of adventure-based activities (e.g. paintball), excursions (e.g. Ten Pin Bowling, Escape Rooms), sports (e.g. Ultimate Frisbee), and challenge (e.g. Shop, Cook, Eat, Win)! This programme is planned to take the children into a world of DOING, not just looking at it on a screen! Some programmes are capped and this will show when booking.

What to bring to aPlus - Morning Tea, Lunch, Hat, Warm jumper, Imagination

What to leave at home - Toys, Phones, Devices, Best Clothes, the Grumps

Lunch Note for Parents/Caregivers - If you are sending noodles for lunch, we will do all packets of noodles of same flavour in a pot together.

Doing the noodles packet by packet takes too long for hungry children. Just fill out the **Heat and Eat** form at Sign In, so we know what noodles your child has brought with them for lunch. We thank you and the hungry children thank you!!!

Zero Tolerance Policy - Please make sure to take a copy of our ZT Policy, we wish to ensure that ALL children have a great time at aPlus, that they are ALL safe and relaxed, and able to connect with staff and other children - having confidence to make those connections in a peaceful environment!

Regional Manager: - Kevin Hill

Office: - 06 357 5583

Email: kevin@aplus.kiwi.nz



aPlus Spring School Holiday Programme - Sept 30th to Oct 11th 2024

Hokowhitu School 227 Albert St, PNth - Book Now at aplus.kiwi.nz

SMALL FRY - AGES 5 & 6 \$28.00 per day (8.30am to 3.00pm)

Mon 30th Sept	Tue 1st Oct	Wed 2nd Oct	Thu 3rd Oct	Fri 4th Oct
OVERFLOW Everything is overflowing today. Don't wear good clothes, we are experimenting	GRUMPY MONKEY Hear the Grumpy Monkey story and then explore all the different faces of Grumpy Monkey with attitude!	BEE IS FOR B Bees, Bananas and a day for chasing our tails!	NIGHTLIGHT REEF Build a nightlight reef to take home. Take the Penguin challenge and don't drop the egg	OUT OF THIS WORLD It's a crazy parts rocket factory, grab all the bits you need to build your own rocket ship!
Mon 7th Oct	Tue 8th Oct	Wed 9th Oct	Thu 10th Oct	Fri 11th Oct
HEADBANDS & SPIDERS It's a bit creepy but really great fun!! Spiders, Frankenstein and Headbands - shivers all around!	WISH JARS Making wishes & putting them in a jar. Use the wishes to reward or celebrate something with someone or just because you feel good.	HIDDEN FISH & BINGO There are hidden fish all over the place. Find a fish and check to see what you have won!!	PAPER CUP PANDEMONIUM Once we are through with these cups, you will want to display them—cool colours & decorations to explore.	FESTIVAL OF FUN DISCO Decorating, preparing food, music, Ice Cream and Dancing. Wear old clothes to prepare and then change for the party!

HOLIDAY FUN 7 YEARS & UP \$30.00 per day (8.30am to 3.00pm)

Mon 31st Sept	Tue 1st Oct	Wed 2nd Oct	Thu 3rd Oct	Fri 4th Oct
DON'T EAT CASPAR Caspar is the theme of today's programme—the Don't Eat Caspar game, can you wrap Caspar faster than the other teams—fun for all.	IN MY SPACESHIP If I was an Alien, my spaceship would be purple with orange wheels and a pink windshield, the perfect look to match my hair.	TOSS IT DAY This day may get out of hand very quickly - while we want you to toss things - if you could do it tidily, that would be great!	GERM BATTLE What a winter it has been, germs everywhere! We are declaring war on germs, by learning, experimenting and creating our own potions in the lab!!	GIVE ME THE BALL Everyone loves a ball - now if you would just pass it to me, we can all have a great time!
Mon 7th Oct	Tue 8th Oct	Wed 9th Oct	Thu 10th Oct	Fri 11th Oct
A WHALE OF A TALE We are making a HUGE whale. Serious work & creativity is needed. Each little piece of the design is important.	ODD GAME TOURNAMENT Our sports tournament today involves ODD games, crazy team play & a bit of thinking outside the square!	BIRDS FLYING HIGH Flying planes, birds, parachutes, - something for everyone.	DOT PAINTING Everyone loves dot painting. You can spend hours lost in the process & with care it will be a masterpiece.	FESTIVAL OF FUN DISCO Decorating, preparing food, music, Ice Cream and Dancing. Wear old clothes to prepare and then change for the party!

EXPLORERS - 7 YEARS & UPFrom \$35.00 per day (8.30am to 3.00pm)

Mon 31st Sep	Tue 1st Oct	Wed 2nd Oct	Thu 3rd Oct	Fri 4th Oct
THE MAGICAL OCEAN We know there are whales, dolphins, sharks down in the depths of the ocean, but what else is there????	SPLATTER - \$42.00 Off to Splatter today, let your inner artist out and create something unique. Then back to aPlus to the big CO2 car race!	FIGURE THIS OUT A series of problems & challenges will come your way today. How will you figure them out, alone or with your friends.	MOVIES -\$45.00 A warm theatre, friends snacks and a good movie to watch.	SEA GLASS We will be using sea glass to make some magnificent designs. Then out comes the dot painting - take your time, the rewards are amazing!
Mon 7th Oct	Tue 8th Oct	Wed 9th Oct	Thu 10th Oct	Fri 11th Oct
ON THE BUS Are you on the bus or driving the bus. Some silly photography and various vehicles, very funny!	SONGS AND BOOKS Create your own song and then outline a book you would write if you were going to be an author!!	CLAY WORKSHOP Today we make our own clay and then experiment with some designs, get your hands dirty and into our clay workshop.	ESCAPE ROOM - \$40.00 The mystery begins - work with your friends to escape from the locked room!! Find the clues and think carefully! The lock only turns once.	FESTIVAL OF FUN DISCO Decorating, preparing food, music, Ice Cream and Dancing. Wear old clothes to prepare and then change for the party!

AWATEA 9 YEARS & UP From \$42.00 per day (8.30am to 3.00pm)

Mon 31st Sep	Tue 1st Oct	Wed 2nd Oct	Thu 3rd Oct	Fri 4th Oct
CO2 CAR BUILD We start designing, refining and painting our cars - tomorrow we race!! If you are a budding race car designer practice here!!	SPLATTER - \$42.00 Off to Splatter today, let your inner artist out and create something unique. Then back to aPlus to finish your CO2 car and this afternoon - the big race!	CANDLE MAKING We are going to make some candles for you to take home. Beautiful gifts for someone!	MOVIES -\$45.00 A warm theatre, friends snacks and a good movie to watch.	COOKING SCHOOL PIZZA We are going to be making Pizza from scratch, then next Friday we will use our pizza making skills for the disco!! Tasting is compulsory!
Mon 7th Oct	Tue 8th Oct	Wed 9th Oct	Thu 10th Oct	Fri 11th Oct
COOKING SCHOOL—CAKE Make a cake, decorate, and enjoy for afternoon tea. Explore the cupcake rage and design your own!	CONCRETE HANDS Make a garden held in hands of concrete. We are getting down to dirty hands and creating a garden with the shape of our own hands	MINI EASELS Put your artists hat on today. Choose your subject and paint your heart out!	ESCAPE ROOM - \$40.00 The mystery begins - work with your friends to escape from the locked room!! Find the clues, THINK carefully!	FESTIVAL OF FUN DISCO Decorating, preparing food, music, Ice Cream and Dancing. Wear old clothes to prepare and then change for the party!

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Wild Things
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7-11 yr olds

Spring Holiday Programme


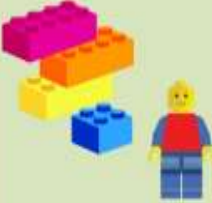











Sept 30 - Oct 4th 2024
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MASSEY KIDS' CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

WEEK 1: 30th September to 4th October 2024 - 8:30am to 5.30pm daily, contact: manager@masseykidsclub.ac.nz

WEEK 1	Monday 30th Sept	Tuesday 1st Oct	Wednesday 2nd Oct	Thursday 3rd Oct	Friday 4th Oct
AM	Adventures at the Esplanade 	Lego challenge 	MKC Carnival Day 	Science Experiments 	Tie Dye something white 
PM		Wheels Day 		Outdoor/Indoor Activities 	Treasure Hunt 
9+ Option	Mini golf 	N/A	BYOD 	BYOD 	N/A

WEEK 2: 7th to 11th October 2024 8:30am to 5.30pm daily, contact: manager@masseykidsclub.ac.nz

WEEK 2	Monday 7th Oct	Tuesday 8th Oct	Wednesday 9th Oct	Thursday 10th Oct	Friday 11th Oct
AM	Swim at the Lido 	Rock Painting 	Hama Beads and Loom Bands 	Kelly Sports 	Halloween party! 
PM	Play and explore the Esplanade 	Walk around Massey 	Cupcake decorating 	Colouring Comp 	Dress Up Comp Arts & Crafts Movie Ice cream Sundaes AND MORE 
9+ Option	N/A	N/A	BYOD 	BYOD 	N/A

Today calls for more creations AND