



HOKOWHITU SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 12th September 2025

Important Upcoming Events 2025

15 September - 9am	Scholastic book orders due. No late orders accepted.
17 September	Yummy stickers to be returned to school
15 - 21 September	Māori language week
19 September	Last day of Term 3. Pizza lunch day & whole school reward day. School closes at 3pm for the term break
6 October	8.50am School opens for Term 4 School SUN HATS must be worn when outdoors from today. Sorry - no hat, no play!
10 October	Reports come home in school bags today
13 /14/15 October	Class/ kete/individual/sibling photos being taken over these days If you'd like a photo taken with siblings here at school, please complete the form that came home in school bags today. This MUST be returned before the photographer arrives.
15/16 October	5.30 - 6.30pm Celebrating Learning Evenings 15 October -Surnames A- L , 16 October - Surnames M - Z
23/24 October	Year 4 sleepover and Ngā Manu visit
27 October	Labour Day public holiday, <u>School is closed</u>

IMPORTANT
DATES



UPDATE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora koutou,

Next week is Māori Language week 2025 - [Te Wiki o te Reo Māori](#). This takes place from Sunday, September 14th to Saturday, September 20th. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the event, which grew from a single day in 1972 to a full week celebrating the Māori language and culture. The theme for 2025 is "Ake ake ake - A forever language".

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO THIS WORLD

It gave us great pleasure to hear from Mr Masoe that he, Chloe and Caleb welcomed a baby girl into their whānau earlier this week. We can't wait to meet your newest 'bundle of joy' Elisha and Chloe!

ASSESSMENT, SCHOOL REPORTS AND CELEBRATING LEARNING

The teaching team has completed another round of assessment and are currently writing your child's second written report. We have adjusted our assessment and reporting schedule this year to enable us to have Term 4 to revisit any gaps or consolidate concepts before the end of the year.

This report will come home at the end of the first week of next term.

The Ministry of Education has issued statements to let everyone know that the new curriculum expectations in literacy and numeracy have changed - MORE is being expected of the ākonga.

This means that some teacher judgments about below/at/above expectations may differ from previous years, simply because teachers are working hard to bring the learners up to the new expectations. This is along with introducing concepts that they have not been taught previously.

THIS DOES NOT MEAN YOUR CHILD HAS 'GONE BACKWARDS' OR 'STOPPED LEARNING'. The goal posts have been shifted and so it is more challenging to be 'at' or 'above' expectation at the appropriate year level.

As usual we will follow up with open evenings to 'celebrate learning' the week after reports have been issued. We hope that you can come along on one of these nights and take the opportunity to view learning and chat with staff.

SUN HATS

Our school policy requires that all tamariki wear our regulation navy blue bucket sunhat in Terms 4 and 1 of each year. The NZ sun is fierce and sunburn can be most uncomfortable and sometimes dangerous.

Now is the time to check the drawers and make sure you have the hat ready for the beginning of next term.

Sunhats are available for purchase from the school office for \$15.00 if you need one. We have hats in stock right now.



BOARD ELECTIONS

Voting closed at 4pm on the 10 September - votes will be counted next Tuesday (after any eligible postal votes have been received). The new board will take office on Wednesday, 17th September.

My sincere thanks to everyone who put themselves forward to stand for the board in the election.

MARKET DAY

What a huge success Market Day was yesterday. To see several weeks of planning and preparation come through to fruition was an absolute delight! There is a huge amount of learning that goes into the whole process - from writing proposals, to marketing plans, to budgeting to ensure profit margins, then there is the practical skills such as making crafts, measuring ingredients, following recipes, e.t.c. That's before the HUGE decision about how to get the best value for your money before spending it all and then wanting something else.

To all my staff - thank you so much for the tireless efforts you all put into the success of Market Day 2025. I am in awe of you all.



ATAWHAI AWARDS

TKW: Casey - is a thoughtful and responsible member of our class. He always makes sure his classmates are following the rules and often checks if there are any jobs that need doing in the kete. This week he kindly volunteered to look after one of our new students to help them feel comfortable. Every morning, he starts the day with a cheerful 'good morning' to his teacher and classmates, brightening our classroom. He is very proud of his house and shows great sportsmanship. Thank you for being 'kind' Casey.

TKP: Reeyana - we are so lucky to have you as an amazing member of our kete. You are like a ray of sunshine in the mornings, brightening up our day with your smile, (even when it is cloudy). We love that you enjoy being at school so much, and your enthusiasm is catching. You show atawhai in so many ways. You are considerate at busy times, respectfully waiting for others to get their bags or grab a pencil instead of barging in. Even when no one is watching, you sit patiently and quietly wait for the kaiako, a great role model for keeping up our high standards in TKP. You share your knowledge freely with peers and offer assistance tactfully without needing to be asked. Your kind-hearted nature makes for a more peaceful environment. Mākohā? E mea ana koe!

TKM: Hunter G - Hunter is a kind student. He's always willing to lend a hand, and makes great contributions to classroom discussions. His flexibility shines through in every situation, Hunter adapts with a smile and keeps a positive attitude. His cheerful presence and helpful nature make a big difference in the kete.

TKA: Maryam - you are such a delight to have in TKA. The moment you enter the school grounds you always greet the teachers with a cheery 'Good Morning'. In class you have grown in confidence since arriving at Hokowhitu School, and you now have a great group of friends that you learn and play with. You consistently use your manners and show respect towards everyone. Ka pai Maryam.

TKT: Ruby - Every week is a week of Atawhai for Ruby! Ruby is a TKT student who consistently demonstrates respect towards both her peers and adults. She shows kindness to others, makes sure everyone feels included, and starts each day with a warm smile that brightens our kete. Ruby is always the first to offer help when it is needed, often stepping in without even being asked. Ruby, you are a shining example of what it means to show Atawhai. Kia mau tonu te mahi nui!

STAFF: Mrs Lovegrove and Ms Tayler have both shown atawhai recently by giving of their time to support groups of ākonga who have a passion for the performing arts. Mrs Lovegrove's choir was superb at the recent cluster arts festival and Ms Tayler's jump jam teams excelled at the recent Strictly competition. Thank you Jenny and Stacey - we value you giving your time and guidance to these ākonga.

Finally and very importantly - it was FANTASTIC that the tamariki earned an extended morning tea time this week.

We met our **winter attendance target** of 78% last week. Let's do it again and again. Every day at school counts!!

Have a fabulous weekend everyone. Go, go, go to the All Blacks - wishing them another great game!

Ngā mihi kia koutou,
Lin Dixon

Important Information for Parents & Guardians

- Please respect the privacy of all ākonga when taking photos or videos.
- Please do not publish any photos containing other children from any school event.
- Please look out for kete newsletters - these include additional specific dates/events for that kete.

Ways to Contact The Office When Your Child Will Be Late Or Absent

Email - office@hokowhitu.school.nz

Phone (You can also leave a voicemail) - 06 357 9667 **School cell phone** (txt or phone) - 027 357 9021

App - See how to download the App here: <https://hokowhituprimary.apps.school.nz/>

SPORT

Sports available at Hokowhitu School for 2025

All term 4 sports are closing in the next week. REgister with Kindi now!

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Netball - Years 5 & 6	Basketball - Years 3 - 6	Futsal - Years 3 - 6 Registration now open	Summer Soccer - Years 0 - 6 Registration now open
Summer Hockey - Years 1 - 6	Winter Hockey - Years 1 - 6	Badminton - Years - 4, 5 & 6 Registration closed	Netball - Years 0 - 6 Registration now open
Badminton - Years 5 & 6		Volleyball - Years 4,5& 6 Registration closed.	Summer Hockey - Years 0 - 6 Registration now open
			Touch Rugby - Years 0 - 6 Registration now open
		Summer Soccer - Registration now open	Volleyball Years 4, 5 & 6 T-Ball - Under 7s and under 9s Registration now closed
<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>

Summer Hockey



Summer Hockey T4 2025 - Year 0, 1 & 2

Games will be played on **Tuesdays** - at The Twin Turfs - Beginning on the 21st Oct 2025

One 4 a side - 30 minute game each week. Games times will be from 3.45-6pm.

\$30 per player (you will need to hire a sports uniform)

Coaches will be needed for all teams to ensure that we can enter them into the competition.

Registrations close at 12pm on FRIDAY 19th Sept 2025 (unless teams are full prior to this date) - Unfortunately no late registrations can be accepted.

Summer Hockey T4 2025- Year 3 & 4

Games will be played on **Tuesdays** - at The Twin Turfs - Beginning on the 21st Oct

One 6 a side - 30 minute game each week. Games times will be from 3.45-6pm.

\$35 per player (you will need to hire a sports uniform)

Coaches will be needed for all teams to ensure that we can enter them into the competition.

Registrations close at 12pm on FRIDAY 19th Sept 2025 (unless teams are full prior to this date) - Unfortunately no late registrations can be accepted.

Summer Hockey T4 2025 - Year 5 & 6

Games will be played on **Wednesdays** - at The Twin Turfs - Beginning on the 22nd Oct

One 6 a side - 30 minute game each week. Games times will be from 3.45-6pm.

\$35 per player (you will need to hire a sports uniform)

Coaches will be needed for all teams to ensure that we can enter them into the competition.

Registrations close at 12pm on FRIDAY 19th Sept 2025 (unless teams are full prior to this date) - Unfortunately no late registrations can be accepted.

If you have any questions please contact Carlee Hodge OR Stacey Tayler c.hodge@hokowhitu.school.nz OR s.tayler@hokowhitu.school.nz

Futsal

Futsal - For years 3-6 students. We will be looking to divide into male and female first before going into mixed grades.

Key Details

Weekday: *Tuesdays and Fridays (please be aware it is 2 days a week)*

Date: Starting 7th October-November 4th (8 events)

Tuesdays (7th October, 14th October, 21st October, 28th October, 4th November)

Fridays (10th October, 17th October, 31st October)- No Futsal on Labour Weekend

Venue: Central Energy Trust, Arena 4, Tuesdays and Friday Arena 3 Pascal Street

Who: Open to years 3-6 students

Grade 8, 9, 10 (Year 4, 5, 6 children) will play this format

- 5v5 on full courts
- Goalkeepers included
- Referees provided where possible

Grade 7 (Year 3 children) will play this format

- 3-a-side, half-court games
- No goalkeepers
- Small goals
- Each team plays two 15-minute games per night
- Coaches to referee one half each

Cost: \$50 per player (plus \$5 for uniform hire if you have not hired a uniform in 2025 yet)

Time: 4pm-9pm (Both nights)- This will be dependent on entries

Registrations close once teams are full or by Wednesday the 17th of September - link below to register

[Manawatu Futsal Term Four Entry Form](#)

Notes

- No Football boots (**Sneakers or Futsal shoes only**)
- Shin Pads and Football Socks Compulsory (**No Exceptions**)



Touch Rugby

Touch Rugby Term 4 2025 - ALL AGES (Teams available are under 8 - years 1 & 2, under 10 - years 3 & 4, under 12 - years 5 & 6)

Key Details

Weekday: Friday
Date: Starting 10th October - until the 5th of December (8 weeks)
Venue: Monrad Park (Highbury Avenue, Palmerston North)
Who: Open to **ALL** students
Cost: \$40 per player (plus \$5 for uniform hire if you have not hired a uniform in 2025 yet)
Time: ***(Be aware that times may change due to number of entries)***
U8 & U10, play at 4.00pm & 4.30pm
U12s play at 5.00pm & 5.30pm

Children will play in grades according to their year group (age) and teams will be mixed gender.

For safety reasons, it is compulsory that teams in all grades:

- Must wear footwear (i.e., running shoes, touch shoes, moulds).
- Screw in and/or metal sprigs are NOT permitted. Moulded ONLY
- Jewellery is NOT to be worn.

Registrations close at 12pm on Tuesday the 17th of September (unless teams are full prior to this date) - Unfortunately no late registrations can be accepted.

NOTE: Coaches will be required for all teams in order for us to register them in the competition. Also, you will receive a "Sporty" code via email, to register individual children once they are placed in a team.

If you need a uniform, please make sure you add the Uniform Hire option to your cart.

Netball

Year 1 & 2 Netball.

This is a 4 aside format played on MONDAY nights at Vautier Park. Times 4pm or 5pm. The competition begins Monday 13th Oct and finishes 8 Dec with a festival, they will play for 8 weeks. The team will need a coach .

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 15th September

You will not need a sports uniform as fees include a netball dress.

Year 3 & 4 play 5 a side netball Tuesday OR Wednesday and at Vautier Park. This competition begins 14/15th October and they end 9/10th Dec with a festival/small competition. The team will need a coach.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 15th September

Netball dress is included in the fees.

Year 5 and 6 mixed netball - Thursdays at Vautier Park (Outside)

Dates: Thursday 16th Oct - 3.45pm onwards

Year 5 and 6 Competition

- Year 5 and 6 competition will be for both year 5 and 6
- Competition structure will be the 6 v 6
- Timings for game only NO skills and drills will be available

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me

Carlee Hodge

c.hodge@hokowhitu.school.nz

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE WEDNESDAY 17th September- 12pm (Unless teams fill up prior to this date)



Kia ora koutou,

It's that time of year again — Term 4 Netball is just around the corner, and we're excited to get back out on the courts with our littlies! 🏐 This term, we're running both our **Year 1–4 futureFERNs Netball Programme** and another round of the **Year 5 & 6 Summer Competition**, which will focus purely on **game play**. I have attached the posters/tiles for the 3 competitions plus a Word Document detailing each competition. Registrations for all these competitions are now open. They close on 17th September. We will have a Pre-Season Meeting for all 3 competitions on Wednesday 17th September. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to email me

Nga Mihi, Donna Simpson, Competition Officer - Netball Manawatu

Email: donna@netballmanawatu.org.nz Phone: [0272594536](tel:0272594536)



**FUTUREFERNS
YR 1 & 2**

DAY OF THE WEEK Monday	BEGINS 13 th October	TIME 3-45pm onwards
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For more information email Donna:
donna@netballmanawatu.org.nz

netballmanawatu.org.nz




**FUTUREFERNS
YR 3 & 4**

DAY OF THE WEEK Tuesdays & Wednesdays	BEGINS 14 th & 15 th October	TIME 3-45pm onwards
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For more information email Donna:
donna@netballmanawatu.org.nz

netballmanawatu.org.nz




**FUTUREFERNS
YR 5&6**

DAY OF THE WEEK Thursdays	BEGINS 16 th October	TIME 3-45pm onwards
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For more information email Donna:
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Cricket

For younger tamariki (school Years 1-4)

Smash Play or Smash IT! programmes

Information can be found on our website -

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/mca/smash-cricket/smash-cricket?em=1>

Players will register directly with MCA.

For older tamariki (school years 5-8)

Smash Yard! & Yeah! Girl's Smash Cricket

Register via school system.

Manawatū Cricket Association

Yeah! Girls Smash

Yeah! Girls is a girls only programme developed by New Zealand Cricket which promotes girls playing cricket - but not as you know it! Yeah! Girls Smash is a modified programme that mixes the confidence and the skills building activities that Yeah! Girls is widely known for, with games of Smash Yard! Cricket. The best part of the programme is the girls get to choose what they do! Our experienced activators will facilitate a session based on what the girls want.

Yeah! Girls Smash is being offered in Term 4 2025 is open to all girls in Year 5&6 or 7&8 at school. You can register via your school!!



Palmerston North HUB

Year 7&8s, Tuesdays at Onley Park, Park Road from 4-5pm, Tuesday 14th October - Tuesday 18th November

Year 5&6s, Thursdays at Ongley Park, Park Road from 4-5pm, Thursday 16th October - Thursday 20th November

Feilding HUB

Year 5&6 & Year 7&8's Fridays at Kowhai Park from 5.15pm - 6.15pm, Friday 17th October - Friday 21st November




SMASH YARD! CRICKET IS BACK.....

TERM 4 2025

SIGN UP AT SCHOOL
NO COACHES NEEDED
NO MANAGERS NEEDED
\$25 PER PLAYER
6 WEEKS OF GAMES

GIRLS ONLY YEAH! GIRLS
SMASH, SAME TIME & PLACE

YEAR 7&8

TUESDAY, ASHHURST 3.30-4.30PM
OR ONGLEY PARK 4-5PM
FRIDAY, KOWHAI PARK 5.15-6.15PM

YEAR 5&6

TUESDAY, ASHHURST 3.30-4.30PM
THURSDAY, ONGLEY PARK 4-5PM
FRIDAY, KOWHAI PARK 5.15-6.15PM

WANT TO PLAY CRICKET?

\$25 per term

SMASH CRICKET

MON - PALMY NORTH
TUE - ASHHURST WED
- FEILDING & P N
THU - Dvirke & Pahiatua
FRI - FEILDING

ARE YOU AGED 5-10?

For more info scan QR code







Summer Soccer – ALL AGES - Term 4 2025

Games are played on Wednesdays at the Arena. Games will be 24 minutes long and will begin after 4pm.

Mixed OR there is an opportunity to have an all girls team if available.

The competition will commence on Wednesday the 15th of October and finish on Wednesday the 10th of December.

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. Molded football boots or touch shoes are recommended.

The season will run from the 15th of October until 10th of December.

JUNIOR COMPETITION RULES

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

- There are no off sides.
- There are NO slide tackles.

Registrations close at 12pm on Wednesday the 17th of September (unless teams are full prior to this date) - Unfortunately no late registrations can be accepted.

If you need a uniform, please make sure you put the Uniform Hire option in your cart.



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Te Kete Wakahuia

Diyon - It is great to see you explore the playground with confidence and try new things at school. Well done.

Nina - Ka Pai Nina. You are coming into school and getting on with your day with a big smile, showing enthusiasm.

Thomas - for beginning to slide sounds together to make words

Danyal - for beginning to slide sounds together to make words

Coda - for working hard with Mrs Mullinger

Lilly - for super work decoding words when reading

Akein - for working hard on your letter sizing when writing. Tino pai.

Jack - for fantastic number knowledge in maths. Kā pai.

Ruby - for practising lots of addition and subtraction in maths. Tino pai!

Colin - for making thoughtful comments in our class conversations. Kā pai!



Te Kete Pounamu

Congratulations TKP on smashing goals and working hard during assessments! We are proud of each and every one of you!! Mahi Whakamiharo!

Te Kete Manawa

Umar - Welcome to Hokowhitu School and Te Kete Manawa. We are glad to have you join us.

Beaudi - For writing a great Information Report on Komodo Dragons during literacy.

Cooper - For listening carefully in maths and completing tasks more quickly.

Thea - For writing an informative report all about cats during literacy.

Jaxxon - For thinking of his team mates and passing the ball in football.

Te Kete Aronui

Ryder - For being a 'tech' guru and helping others.

Huatahi - For an amazing effort in creating your ice cream alliteration poem.

Yuleena - Tyson - For working hard with alliteration in poetry.

Freddie - For consistently showing STRIVE all term.

Darcy, Doha - For exceptional work with writing recounts!

James, Harley - For perseverance and effort with calendar art.

Inwoo - For effort with maths tasks and activities.

Carter N. - For an excellent contribution to Market Day creations.

Te Kete Tangaroa

Deondrej - For speaking up and working well with his team for Market Day

Tyler - For working respectfully in a team for Market Day - Tino pai, Tyler!

Aiden - A phenomenal effort with Market Day - your cards are awesome!

Zareesh - Persistence with her Market Day Ghosts.

Aaryan - Excellent work in Maths

Lachie - For outstanding work with his group in preparation for market day

Zayd - For fantastic communication skills around Market Day. Your conversations and emails are always polite and respectful of other peoples time. This is a great skill to have!

Alex - For great problem solving and leadership on Market Day.

Mario - For great problem solving and organisation for Market Day.



Yummy Sticker Collection

We are once again collecting yummy stickers here at school, sticker charts are available to download on the yummy fruit website - www.yummyfruit.co.nz OR we have some copies in the school office. You can hand these to Mrs Orr or the school office.

Can all yummy stickers please be returned to school by **WEDNESDAY 17th SEPTEMBER**. Stickers can be given either to your child's whanau teacher or Tracey Orr in TKP.

Thanks for your support!

THE EGG PROJECT



How to order:

- Jump onto the website www.theeggproject.co.nz
- Click up the top on the blue bit where it asks if you have a unique code.
- Use the code SCH-003 at to sign up, select what eggs you want as a one off or set up a subscription, confirm and pay.
- If you need help with anything—ordering, subscriptions, or just want to talk eggs—flick me an email. I'm just sitting here chatting with the eggs anyway (they're great listeners, but not so hot on tech support). Pip@theeggproject.co.nz

Hokowhitu School has fundraised more than \$2254.00 so far by having whānau purchase these eggs. Along with being so fresh, the eggs are also much cheaper than the equivalent at the supermarket.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

aPlus School Holiday Programme, Spring 2025

Hokowhitu School - 227 Albert St, PNth-22nd September- 3rd October 2025



EXPLORERS 7 YEARS & UP From \$38.00 per day (8.30am to 3.00pm)

Mon 22nd Sep	Tue 23rd Sep	Wed 24th Sep	Thu 25th Sep	Fri 26th Sep
IS IT PISA OR PIZZA \$38.00 Italy is famous for it's Leaning Tower of Pisa and its delicious Pizza. We are making our own tower AND our own Pizza!!	MOVIES \$40.00 Make popcorn, divide up the goodies, take a piece of fruit and a drink then we are off to the movies!! What will the movie be - suggestions welcome!!	FEEL THE BEAT \$38.00 Lots of junk here today, BECAUSE we are going to make sound, rock out the beat and become the Hokowhitu JUNKBAND!	TEN PIN BOWLING \$43.00 Get your bowling shoes on & off we go! Hot up those lanes and challenge yourself & your friends.	COOL SCIENCE \$38.00 Serious experiments that drip, grow, flow and fascinate!! Try your hand at everything for a great day.
Mon 29th Sep	Tue 30th Sep	Wed 1st Oct	Thu 2nd Oct	Fri 3rd Oct
GRANNY PANTS \$38.00 OK, stop laughing, this is a very serious day. Just kidding, we are going to catch as many beach balls, ping pong balls and balloons, as we can - in our GRANNY PANTS	FINDING OUR WAY \$43.00 Here is a map, a compass and a Leader - here is your starting point and off you go!! There are points along the way for you to find and hand in for prizes at the end.	DON'T DROP THE TOP \$38.00 There are so many things you can make with bottle tops, lids, and covers. Design something at home and then we will see if we can make it here today!	FRAMED \$38.00 Make your own frames to take home today. We will take photos of you and your friends, print them off so you can put them in your new frames.	THE ROBOTIC FARM \$48.00 The incredible Robotic Farm where the cows decide when they get milked - then we are off to the Coach House to see the live Crustacean display. OLD SHOES TODAY <<COW POOP>>

AWATEA 9 YEARS & UP From \$40.00 per day (8.30am to 3.00pm)

Mon 22nd Sep	Tue 23rd Sep	Wed 24th Sep	Thu 25th Sep	Fri 26th Sep
POSNEG INSECT WORLD \$40.00 A design activity which looks at the positive & negative of the insects in our gardens.	MOVIES \$44.00 Make popcorn, divide up the goodies, take a piece of fruit and a drink then we are off to the movies!! What will the movie be - suggestions welcome!!	DOWN TO THE BONE \$40.00 Under all our skin, there are bones that hold us up. Let's take a closer look at our bones & learn a new dance with the "Five Skeletons Went out one night"	THE CAVE \$65.00 The place for cutting-edge virtual reality experiences, intense VR escape rooms, action-packed activities all over the place!	RASE HASEN \$40.00 Flying rabbits, you might think NOT! But come along and try our flying rabbits, you will totally enjoy making and flying them!!!
Mon 29th Sep	Tue 30th Sep	Wed 1st Oct	Thu 2nd Oct	Fri 3rd Oct
BLACKOUT \$40.00 What is a blackout activity - it is all about redacting portions of text, artwork and re-making it with a different meaning! Try it blindfolded!!	THE YUMMY TOUR \$45.00 This is the day we get in the van & visit the best lolly places in town. We might even duck over to Fielding where we've heard there is one over there too!	THE CHILD WHO BIT PICASSO \$38.00 Picasso was a famous artist - but his way of seeing things or people was unique - give it a go but don't bite anyone.	NEWTONS CRADLE \$40.00 If you would like to see what a Newtons Cradle looks like, come along and we will make one!	THE ROBOTIC FARM \$48.00 The incredible Robotic Farm where the cows decide when they get milked - then we are off to the Coach House to see the live Crustacean display. OLD SHOES TODAY <<COW POOP>>

BOOK ONLINE AT aplus.kiwi.nz

Hokowhitu School - 227 Albert St, PNth-22nd September- 3rd October 2025



SMALL FRY - AGES 5 & 6 \$28.50 per day (8.30am to 3.00pm)

Mon 22nd Sep	Tue 23rd Sep	Wed 24th Sep	Thu 25th Sep	Fri 26th Sep
BOO HOO \$28.50 Line up for Rainbow Bubble Snakes, the Mashed Potato game and then get rid of that Hot Potato!!	BURST INTO SPRING \$28.50 Spring is here and if there is sunshine, we will be outside enjoying it - craft, art, games and loads of fun for all.	TIE DYE FLAGS \$28.50 We are going to capture all the colours of the rainbow in our flags today - take them home to decorate your room!!	CHALK THE WALK \$28.50 Make your own chalk-board to take home, then armed with chalk we are off to mark out our game field. Let the games begin!	BAGS IT \$28.50 We are making bean bags, taking home slime & playdough in bags, playing cornhole with bags - it's a totally Bags IT day!
Mon 29th Sep	Tue 30th Sep	Wed 1st Oct	Thu 2nd Oct	Fri 3rd Oct
WHO'S GOT THE GRUMPS \$28.50 Grumpy Monkey is always grumpy, but we will be having too much fun to be grumpy	ALL THE COLOURS \$28.50 Rainbow painting with rolling pins, experimenting with Skittles, and a Rainbow Recipe Book	SCRATCH IT \$28.50 No we are not scratching each other - we're having a go at creating our own Scratch art. Just in case we also have Crowns and Cat Masks to scratch our own unique patterns on!	WINDY WANDERERS \$28.50 Wild Wind Wheels, Sock Games, Fireworks in a Jar - then did someone say Red Rover??	TRIPLE PLAY \$28.50 What do hedgehogs and hats have in common? While you are working that out, enjoy our quirky relay races, remember it is all about fun!!

HOLIDAY FUN 7 YEARS & UP \$33.00 per day (8.30am to 3.00pm)

Mon 22nd Sep	Tue 23rd Sep	Wed 24th Sep	Thu 25th Sep	Fri 26th Sep
BRICK BUILDERS BASH \$33.00 Let's see what we can build out of a box of connecting bricks - an otter, a fish, a house? It's fun and a competition with prizes!	EXPERIMENTS IN THE LAB \$33.00 If the day is fine, let's take our Lab outside. Then we can play with the Elephants toothpaste and other experiments!!	ANYONE FOR SPACE \$33.00 If anyone is interested, we are thinking of space and how we can get there. How do rockets get into the air?	LLAMA DRAMA \$33.00 Llama's are dramatic creatures, but they also like to have fun. So get your gear on and off we go!!!	DON'T EAT CASPER \$33.00 If you choose the right place on the game correctly, you can enjoy some tasty delights but pick the wrong one and you are OUT?
Mon 29th Sep	Tue 30th Sep	Wed 1st Oct	Thu 2nd Oct	Fri 3rd Oct
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aPlus Out of School Care - Afternoon Tea Champion

aPlus Out of School Care is looking for a friendly and reliable person to join our team as an **Afternoon Tea Champion**.

Hours: 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm (weekdays, during term time and school holidays depending on availability).

Location: At our After School Care programmes

Role includes:

- Preparing afternoon tea for children
- Helping serve food and snacks
- Tidying and washing up the kitchen area

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This role is perfect for someone who would like to spend an hour a day working in a child-friendly environment, is organised in the kitchen, and wants to be part of a supportive team. **If this sounds like you, we'd love to hear from you!**

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