

#### IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

8 August	ICAS Digital Technology Exam.
9 August	Board Meeting in the Staffroom at 5:30pm
10 August	PNINS open day, three sessions available 9:30am, 11:30am and 2pm. Please let us know in the office if you are planning on taking your child out early or starting later, thank you.
10 August	Lucky Book Club is due back by today.
11 August	ICAS Writing Exam.
17 August	Ross open day, tours are at 5pm and 7pm.
1 September	Major Production at the Regent Theatre.

Friday 5th August 2022

Kia ora koutou Ngā mihi kia koutou

It has been great to see a bit of sun at the end of the week. Everyone has enjoyed getting outside to soak up the nicer weather, at break times and for fitness and PE. It has been a busy week with preparations for the major production getting underway. Senior students have also been preparing for an orienteering event, held today at the Esplanade. Thank you to **aPlus** and parents who have assisted in providing transport to and from the event.

#### **Celebration of Learning:**

We had a fabulous turn out for our Celebrating Learning evenings on Tuesday and Wednesday. As I wandered around it was awesome seeing our tamariki sharing their learning and having fun with their whānau. A few children even looked like they had taken the opportunity to sit in the teacher's chair and try to teach their parents! It was a great evening for building connections between home and school. Thank you for making the effort. Remember if you have any queries or concerns about your child's progress, you can email your child's whānau teacher to make an appointment to meet. A big thank you to all the teachers who helped to make the evening a success.

#### Hokowhitu School Board:

At the close of nominations, the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled. Therefore, we do not need to hold an election for this election cycle. We would like to sincerely thank outgoing members **Rafea Naffa** and **Carlee Hodge** for the contributions they have made to the Board and school. Your input and hard work has been highly valued. Welcome to the new members **Viliami Tosi** and **Ewan Westergaard** who will join current members **Timothy Foss**, **Philip Steer** and **Rachel Buckley**. Thank you to all for stepping up to these roles. The time and effort you are willing to put into our kura is much appreciated.

#### ERO School Profile Report:

During the first half of this year the Education Review Office conducted a review process to evaluate and improve practice. The school profile report can be found on the link below. <u>Hokowhitu School Profile Report</u>

#### Welcome:

We would like to warmly welcome Taeko Sakaguchi. Taeko is a Japanese teacher who visits New Zealand regularly during the Japanese school break. She spends time at our school, immersing herself in New Zealand culture and education as well as imparting knowledge of her culture to our tamariki. This includes demonstrating and involving groups of children in the traditional Japanese tea ceremony. We are lucky to have Taeko with us on her 3rd visit to Hokowhitu School.

#### <u>Slide Update:</u>

The slide was removed this week, much to the disappointment of everyone! In due course we will investigate options to replace it. In the meantime, the fort area continues to be cordoned off, while we make sure the area is safe. Please ensure that your children stay off the fort if you are using the playground after school or in the weekend.

#### Covid 19 & Influenza Response:

Thank you for your ongoing support in encouraging your child to wear a mask at school. We are continuing to strongly encourage the wearing of masks indoors as advised by the Ministry of Health and Education. It is also appreciated, when adults enter our buildings they are wearing a mask.

#### <u>Atawhai Awards:</u>

The following people were recognised at assembly this morning for showing atawhai/kindness to others. **TKW**: **Harper M/G** - Harper is a kind, caring and helpful member of Huia who always shows atawhai. She will help those who are hurt or need someone to play with and looks after new children at our school. Harper also loves to show atawhai to her teachers. Thank you for being a role model for others Harper.

**TKP**: **Maan A** - Maan you have shown great atawhai since being back at school this term. You have supported and helped your new classmate to settle in and learn new routines. Your teacher can always rely on you to help out around the classroom and carry out responsibilities properly. Thank you for your kindness. Tino pai. **TKM**: **Leo H/Q** - Kei te pai Leo. Thank you for showing atawhai for our TKM and school environment by picking up rubbish anywhere you find it throughout the school. The way you care for established trees and nurture new plants will benefit all future Hokowhitu School students.

**TKA**: James L - James has shown kindness and caring to our international guest at our school, Taeko. James stepped up, made sure Taeko felt welcomed and helped her become familiar with the school and introduced her to all the staff at school on her first day with us. You embraced the opportunity to learn more about other people's culture and also supported and encouraged others to also learn alongside you. Whakawhetai ki a koe mo te whakaatu atawhai.

TKT: Ilisma F - Ilisma has been an exceptional Wellbeing Warrior this year. She makes sure that there are bandages and strive vouchers in the Wellbeing Warriors bags. Ilisma respects her whanau room and will often clean the tables for us without being asked. She shows kindness through her actions. Tino Pai Ilisma!!
STAFF: Mrs Mikkelsen - Mrs Mikkelsen has shown great atawhai by being very flexible this week and helping out in a number of different kete and covering extra duty. Sometimes she only finds out what class she is teaching in just before the bell. Thank you for your great flexibility Mrs Mikkelsen.

Thanks to each of you - kind people are people that everyone wants to be surrounded by!

#### Ballot for Out of Zone Enrolments - Terms 1 and 2 of 2023

Do you have a child starting school in the first half of 2023? Do you know someone who would like their child to attend Hokowhitu School in 2023? Along with places for New Entrants we are likely to have up to 5 spaces for students entering Years 3 and 4 in 2023.

Now is a good time to pick up pre-enrolment information and return it to the school office before the 31<sup>st</sup> of August.

A reminder that you do still need to enter the ballot if you are out of zone but have siblings already at the school (our Board has committed to supporting all applications that fit this criteria), but you must have the enrolment information in before the ballot - we cannot hold a space assuming you will be coming.

#### <u>Reminders:</u>

School starts at 8:50 please make sure your child is here on time so they don't miss the morning routines. Anyone arriving at school before 8.30am needs to wait by the noticeboard. This is cold and unpleasant in winter, so please aim to drop off at 8.30am. Please remember when picking up or dropping your child up from appointments to come to the office to sign them out or in.

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Ngā mihi nui Reece Hawkins Acting Principal



Welcome back to Term 3!

Lucky Book club pamphlets came home last week, if you did not receive one, you can collect one from the office.

To order online, go to:

https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz.

Orders are due by Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of August. If ordering through the school office, make sure your order has the student's Name, kete and the exact money. All orders earn Scholastic Rewards for the School Library. Happy Reading Everyone!

#### Yummy Sticker Collection

We are collecting the Yummy stickers until the end of Term 3. Please collect and bring them in to school!





Please be aware that information for Summer T-Ball for years 1-4, Summer Hockey for all years, Touch for all years and Summer Soccer for all years will be appearing in the newsletter when it becomes available. **KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED.** 

#### BASKETBALL

**Hokowhitu Jets** - Amazing effort by the Jets, winning their semi-final 18-2 over the Cloverlea Sharks. Great to see the scoring shared around the team and everyone playing as a team. Defence wins games. Captain of the day was **Huntley**, who choose **Avalon** as the teams MPV. Roll on next week's final.



#### COACHES/MANAGERS

If you would like results or photos in the newsletter please send them through to office@hokowhitu.school.nz.





#### <u>Te Kete Wakahuia</u>

A big Hokowhitu School welcome to **Jude** and **Malone** who have joined us in Waka - Happy School days to you both!

Qasim - Wow Qasim you are on fire with your learning - Tu meke!
Sadie - Fantastic effort and improvement with your literacy - Ka Rawe.
Huatahi - For fabulous learning - you work so hard to grow your brain!
Ungatea - For showing kindness in Waka and caring for those around her.
Ihaia - For super maths work! Tino pai rawa.
Ava - For being a kind and caring class member.
Lohan - For having a super start to Term 3. You are an amazing listener on the mat.
Rose - You have a been a kind friend in Huia and you always keep your work tidy.

#### <u>Te Kete Pounamu</u>

Liam - For expression his observations during science.
Rohan - For excellent work with his pepeha.
Madison - For being a star with her classroom responsibilities.
Ranvir - For great with his Northern Lights artwork.
Zayd - For awesome Northern Lights artwork.
Sailor - For awesome reading in your workshops.
Yuvraj - For good decoding of unknown words.
Mason H - For an improvement in listening on the whanau mat.

#### <u>Te Kete Manawa</u>

Congratulations to the top 30 winners this week: Eli, Fin, Luca, Amos, and Leo.

#### <u>Te Kete Aronui</u>

**Billy** - For great determination and focus during maths workshops.

Mila - For your willingness to try something new 'Japanese Tea Ceremony'.

Maya - For your patience, focus and striving for perfection with your popcorn art.

**Emily** - A good effort with your hockey dribbling skills and passing technique.

Olive - For a great effort solving addition and subtraction problems with standard partitioning.

Felix - A great effort colouring and joining in with others for art.

**Emma** - For your focus and hard work to get your popcorn art completed.

**Darcy** - For your positivity and willingness to learn in our first dance session with Miss Hoera. **Maisey** -For your positivity and willingness to learn in our first dance session with Miss Hoera.

#### <u>Te Kete Tangaroa</u>

**Brooke** - For fantastic contributions in reading.

StarR - For being kind to others in your little actions, keep it up.

Johan - For an amazing digital mosaic.

Sai - For excellent work calculating times.

Ruby - For excellent work telling and calculating times.

Bradley - For encouraging others in your Mathex teams.

Emerson - For great contributions in reading.

Charlotte - For applying yourself in all subjects this week with a positive attitude.

#### Intermediate Open Days



#### CONNECT · NURTURE · GROW

We are excited to invite interested whānau to come and see a slice of our daily school life. Please report to the Hall on arrival.

## **Open Day Tours**

Wednesday, 17 August 9.30am & 11.30am tours

## **Open Night Tours**

Wednesday, 17 August 5pm & 7pm tours

For more info, contact enrol@rossint.school.nz



POIPOIA TE KĀKANO



# **OPEN DAY**

#### Wednesday, 10th August

Meet in Te Tihi (our Performing Arts Centre) at any of the following times:

- 9.30am
- 11.30am
- 2.00pm

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**



Shuttle Time is a worldwide programme that aims to give kids of all ages & abilities an enjoyable & accessible badminton experience. Get your kids involved in the world's fastest growing racquet sport!

This programme is for children 7 – 18 years. The Merit/Bronze class is perfect for beginners, while Silver/Gold progress in level & are perfect for aspiring Rep players or anyone wanting to develop their skills.

COST: \$50 (\$40 for Ross Intermediate Students)

For more information about Shuttle Time, visit <u>www.bwfshuttletime.com</u>

For enquiries about the programme and to register your child, contact Josh Curry josh@manawatubadminton.org.nz, or 02102435085 Shuttle Time Merit & Bronze/Silver/Gold Classes

Time: Thursdays, Merit/Bronze 3.45-4.30pm Silver/Gold 4.30-5.15pm

Venue: Ross Intermediate School Gym, Freyberg St Date: August 18<sup>th</sup> – September 29<sup>th</sup> (7 sessions)







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Mindfulness WITH KATE





Kate is a registered teacher with experience using mindfulness and interoceptive awareness programmes in her classroom. She is now embarking on her educational psychologist qualification and wants to share her experience with her community. This four week course will provide children with the tools to recognise emotions, gain body awareness and help them to find calm.

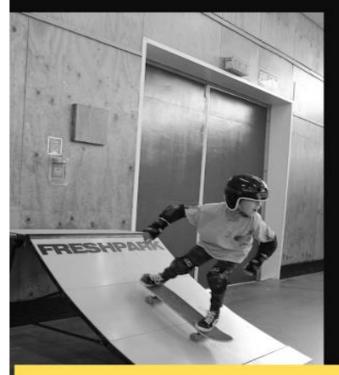
SUNDAYS 2.30-4PM

@ ACTIVE+ 663 TREMAINE AVENUE PALMERSTON NORTH



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## JEDI Skateboard Academy



#### TERM 3 WEEKLY SKATEBOARD SESSIONS

Location: Arena 5 (Bell Hall) Central Energy Trust Arena. Enter via Waldegrave St, PN Day: Saturday Dates: July 30th, Aug 6th, 13th, 27th, Sept 17th, 24th

Time: 10.30am - 12pm

COST IS \$15 PER PERSON PER SESSION

All skateboards, safety equipment & instruction provided at each session.

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