

From the Principal

Dear Parents/Caregivers  
**Kia Ora Koutou, Nga mihi kia koutou**

Thank you to everyone who made the time to attend one of our goal setting evenings this week. We enjoy having the opportunity to talk with you about your child's learning and we love seeing the children sharing their learning with you too. One thing we know for sure is that the future employment pathways these children will take will differ from those in the past, and so we are passionate about developing the children's skills to 'own' their learning. The teachers are willing to discuss your child's learning with you at any stage in the year - pop in, phone or email to make an appointment.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Late last week Mr Sloan and his partner welcomed their baby daughter Alice into this world. Our huge congratulations go to Sam and Kerry on her safe arrival.

**PTA NEWS**

The next PTA meeting is scheduled for 3.10pm next Tuesday, the 8<sup>th</sup> August. Do come along if you can - we appreciate everyone is busy and short of time, so many hands make for lighter work!

The family pie fundraiser closes next Monday morning, so this weekend is a good time to check with family, friends and neighbours to see if anyone wants to put in an order with you. Please ensure all order forms and payment is into the office by 9am on Monday, the 7<sup>th</sup> August. The funds raised from the pie sales will be directed to subsidise EOTC activities.

**MARAE VISITS**

TKA have their EOTC day at Te Hoto Mana o Rangitane Marae next Wednesday and TKT on Thursday. It is important that the children arrive at school on time on the day, so we can check the roll and get away promptly.

**BOT MEETING**

The next Board of Trustees meeting is being held next Wednesday evening (9<sup>th</sup> August) commencing at 5.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

**NEW ENTRANTS FOR 2018**

The ballot for out-of-zone New Entrants for the first half of next year will be held quite soon. While our Board of Trustees has made a commitment to support the enrolment of siblings of out of zone children, they must be registered with us BEFORE the ballot takes place. If you have a child starting school before July of next year, now is the time to ensure we have the enrolment form completed. Unfortunately, not completing this form in time may mean the enrolment cannot be accepted.

**CONTACT DETAILS**

Do we have your current address and telephone numbers? This can be overlooked sometimes when you move address and/or need to change your phone number. Please check in with Robyn in the office (or send an email) if you think you may need to do an update. If your child is suddenly very unwell, it is vital that we can contact you easily.

Nga mihi  
 Lin Dixon  
 Principal

**PTA Meeting**  
**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August**  
**3.10pm in the Staff Room**  
**All Welcome**

**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August**  
**5.30pm in the Staff Room**  
**All Welcome**

Achievement Awards

**Te Kete Wakahuia**

Olive, Harry  
 Felicity, Korbyn  
 Ollie S  
 Hazel  
 Katelyn, Grace M,  
 Jedd  
 Lily A  
 Joshua  
 Neshia  
 Diyala  
 Skye  
 Hikurangi

For a great start to school in Ruma Rima.  
 For sitting on the mat with 'learning arms and learning legs'. Great work!  
 For being in the right place and doing the right thing all day at the marae. Well done!  
 For being super star readers and using great strategies like re-reading from the start and sounding it out.  
 For being very creative in everything you do!  
 For always thinking things through thoroughly and having the ability to problem solve.  
 For trying 100% in everything you do.  
 For writing an excellent 'Thank You' letter to the Marae.  
 For concentrating at reading time.  
 For being kind by inviting others to play with her.

**Te Kete Pounamu**

Jayden, Logan,  
 Zachary, Joseph,  
 Annie, Zion, Peyton,  
 Walker, Emma

TKP Super Stars this week!

**Te Kete Manawa**

Joelle, Addison  
 Samantha, Alia,  
 Jilly  
 Kael  
 Liam, Asha,  
 Zahara

Excellent homework effort.  
 For making great choices.  
 Striving to always be the best they can be.

**Te Kete Aronui**

Thanks to those parents who came along to our goal setting evenings and gave the opportunity for their child to share their learning. A reminder about the notes that went home earlier this week for our mare visit next week. All parent helpers can you please be at school next Wednesday at 8:45 a.m. Also, please take the time to practice our class waiata - He Honore with the words and video link. TKA Teachers

**Te Kete Tangarua**

Paige  
 Kazuki  
 Kegan  
 Leo  
 Amitis  
 Ashton  
 Fergus  
 Matthew  
 Edmund  
 Tia, Tylah

Being a very helpful and hardworking student.  
 For making great contributions during literacy workshops.  
 For fantastic work during maths, when learning about symmetry.  
 For being willing to be flexible with your group. This showed you value others.  
 For excellent enthusiasm and skills during our soccer session. Ka Pai!  
 Well done on your fantastic creative writing Ashton. You have become so much more confident with sharing too.  
 For demonstrating some great soccer skills during soccer lessons.  
 For a very concentrated effort with your soccer skills.  
 For having a good strategy when trying to work out a reflex angle with a protractor.  
 For being budding young scientists who followed the scientific process when learning about Momentum.

Our Marae Visit by Jina

Have you been to a marae? I will tell you what it is like!

I got really excited and my heart was about to pop out! When I was on the bus I was listening to music with Annie. Then we were there. After our powhiri we had four rotations. My favourite thing from the marae was making the steam pudding because I love baking. I liked everything but mostly making steam pudding. My group was first sharing our pepeha. We introduced ourselves. Then we got to look around the fabulous marae and we drew pictures of the amazing carving. We learnt about nutrition. We got to know why we need food and what we have in our bodies. We wove. We all got one flax leaf and then we cut it in half. Next, we had to make a Y then we wove behind and behind until we had made a puti puti. After lunch the girls made poi and the boys learnt how to use mau rakau.



School Sports Results

**Hockey Results**

**Hokowhitu Falcons** won 6-0 against College Street Typhoons. Player of the day was Hazel G for team work.  
**Hokowhitu Thunderbirds** won 4-1 against West End Goldsticks.  
**Hokowhitu Hawks** lost 3-1 to Ashhurst Lightning.  
**Hokowhitu Firebirds** lost 5-2 to Cloverlea Tigers.  
**Hokowhitu Eagles** lost 4-3 to Winchester Eagles.

**Basketball Results**

**Hokowhitu Titans** played Roslyn and won 53-6. Excellent game! Everyone was player of the day!

Scholastic Book Club

Please have all orders and money returned to the school office by **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August at 9am**. If paying by cheque, please ensure the cheque is made out to 'Scholastic New Zealand' (NOT Hokowhitu School). Thank you.

Hearing and Vision Testing

The Vision and Hearing Technicians will be at school on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August. Children to be screened during this visit are:

- New Entrants who have not had/completed their B4 School Check.
- Children who have no previous test record.

If any parent/guardian does not want their child to be checked, could they please inform the school.

**Ross Intermediate School - Enrolment Information 2017-2018**

Open Evening - Tuesday 22 August 2017 in the School Hall. There are two sessions: 5.00pm to 6.30pm and 7.00pm to 8.30pm