

Term 3 Week 3 : 11th August 2017

From the Principal

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

Congratulations to the 12 senior students selected to represent our school at today's Mathex competition. Edmund, Charlotte, Anisa and Gracie are the Year 5 team. Jason, Mareko, Esther and Emily formed one of the Year 6 teams with Aiden, CJ, Al-Bara and Jenson forming our second Year 6 team. It is always a really challenging competition with the entire region's 'best mathematical problem solvers' competing against one another in a time -pressured environment.

PTA NEWS

Thank you so much for the amazing support of our family pie fundraiser. Proceeds from these sales will be directed to future EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) activities. The pies will be ready for collection straight after school next Wednesday, the 16th August. Parents - please arrange to come and collect your pies from the hall if your order is more than your child can manage on their own.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Class, individual (and where requested) sibling photos are being taken next Wednesday the 16th August. The sibling forms are available at the school office. Please ensure your child is in full school uniform and at school on time - we would not like anyone to miss being in their photo due to a late arrival at school.

PARENT DONATION

We are sincerely appreciative of the many families who pay their parent donation each year. We use parent donations to top up MOE funding for support staff. This means we can have Learning Coaches based in each kete every morning. This benefits EVERY child in the kete. The donation is \$160 per year for 1 child (\$120 with a community services card), or \$240 for families of 2 or more children. This equates to a maximum of \$4.00 per week - less than ONE good cup of coffee. The donation can be paid in instalments (\$40 per term is a popular option). It can be paid through Kindo - our on-line option, by automatic payment, or by EFTPOS or cash here in the office. Families who pay their donation receive a subsidy on the cost of a pool key over the summer months too. There is also a tax credit available on donations when filing a return with Inland Revenue.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Our next whole school assembly is timetabled for next Friday morning (18th August) starting at 9am. Mrs Guerin and Mr Roper's whanau classes will be sharing some of their learning with us. Come if you can, the kids love an audience! One of the highlights at assembly is the STRIVE voucher draw. We have huge numbers of learners who have 'been caught' showing a STRIVE value each fortnight. The lucky person drawn out of the box gets to accept a prize offered or to 'take a risk' and choose a number. Ask your child what they might win if they choose a number!

SCHOOL HOURS

Please make getting to school on time a priority as the 'set up' for the day plays a very important part in the learners having ownership of their learning. Children arriving late means the teacher has to 'back track' to catch them up and this has an effect on everyone else too. School starts at 8.50am - the children are welcome to come into class from 8.30am - to allow them to get homework, brain food etc out of their bags and into the classroom, catch up with friends and/or their teachers informally, have a quick run around and be ready for learning when the bell goes. Thank you in anticipation of your support with this.

EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

Earlier this week we sent home your contact details as we have them in our system at school. Please check that a) the names, address, emergency contact names and phone numbers are current, and b) that we have a current email address recorded too. Please make any changes needed and return to the office as soon as possible.

2018 ENROLMENTS

If you have a child, or know of someone who wishes to enrol their child here in the first half of next year, please ensure that we have their completed enrolment form by the end of this month. This is so we can plan and implement our 'out of zone' ballot for Terms 1 and 2 of next year.

Nga mihi
Lin Dixon
Principal

Achievement Awards

Te Kete Wakahuia

Olive For fantastic work in maths.
Haylee For being a kind and helpful friend.
Jack For having a positive 'can do' attitude to all your learning.
Braxton For sharing his work with such confidence at our Goal Setting Evening. Great work!
Minu For sharing all your work with Mum and Shama at the Goal Setting Evening. Well done!
Boston, Ava,
Brooke For fantastic work with equal sharing in maths.
Madison, Braxton, Zachary Great work with identifying and using describing words.
Vernon For writing sounds he hears and heart words. Lelei tele!
Regina Welcome to Hokowhitu School. We hope you love learning with us.
Jack For being responsible and walking across the field to get to school in the morning. Ka pai!

Te Kete Pounamu

Myeongjo, Ellie,
Oliver, Riley, TKP Super Stars this week!
Sam, Omar

Te Kete Manawa

Eva, Cameron Clever fractions thinking,
Myles For working cooperatively with learning buddies.
Riley For working hard on his task card.
Tristan T For working hard on his maths task card.
Jacob Being a great maths buddy.
Emma, Isla, Ata Striving to be the best they can be!

Te Kete Aronui

Congratulations to last week's STRIVE draw winners - Makenzie, Fatima, Aashna and Thomas.

A big thank you to those parents who came and helped us out on Wednesday for our marae trip.

TKA Teachers

Te Kete Tangaroa

Grace Well done on your speedy maths thinking! What A fantastic effort.
Jordan Ka Pai for being so focussed and diligent during your workshops.
Max For having the courage to share in front of our kete.
Daniel W For having the courage to share in front of our kete.
Desmond For showing great skills using a protractor to measure angles.
Jenny For creating an awesome pepeha poster.
Phoenix For taking risks and doing a great job at sharing his writing in front of the kete. 'Ka Pai'.
Lewis, Hamish For stepping up and helping others with their pepeha.
Tiria For a great effort with your pepeha and sharing your knowledge of pronunciation of Te Reo Maori.

School Notices

School Talent Quest

The Student Councillors are running a talent quest. If you have a talent you would like to share (like singing, dancing, magic tricks, acting etc) then please start practising this.

Guidelines

You can go in groups. One single entry and one group entry per person maximum. 3 minute time limit. This will take place on the hall stage, so your performance needs to be suitable to this space.

Auditions are on Monday and Friday lunchtimes in the hall.

Year 5-6: Week 4 auditions

Year 3-4: Week 5 auditions

Year 1-2: Week 6 auditions

WEEK 7 - FINALS.

Community Notices

Hokowhitu Village Farmers Market

Held every 3rd Sunday of every month. Street food, live music by local talent and Artisan food stalls. Next market is Sunday 20th August. 9am-1pm. For information contact Robin on 027 283 6853.

Saturday Music Open Day

Saturday 2nd September 2017. 9.00am - 11.30am. Held at Palmerston North Intermediate Normal School Hall, South Street, Palmerston North. For more information contact us for a handbook or visit our website: www.saturdaymusic.org.nz or contact@saturdaymusic.org.nz 027 825 6927.

School Sports Results

Hockey Results

Hokowhitu Falcons lost 4-3 to Russell Street Eagles.
Hokowhitu Thunderbirds won 5-3 vs Whakarongo Bluesticks.
Hokowhitu Hawks lost 7-0 to Winchester Hawks.
Hokowhitu Firebirds lost 6-4 to Riverdale Tigers.
Hokowhitu Eagles won 7-4 vs Te Kawau Tuis.
Hokowhitu Vultures won 5 - 1 vs Te Kawau Supersticks.

Basketball Results

Hokowhitu Titans played Aokautere and lost 12-36. Well done to Iani for getting player of the day for great defence.

Hokowhitu Angels played West End Eagles and lost 6-20 last week. We weren't able to get the win this week but the girls worked hard to get the ball down the court and we had some great defence which turned into a few turnovers. Player of the day was Trelise. The previous week's player of the day was Melissa.

The girls raise the bar every week and continue to put what they practice at training into their games. They went down 16-22 to the Winchester Rockets yesterday. Player of the day was Emerald.

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