

From the Principal

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Kia Ora Koutou, Nga mihi kia koutou

Thanks so much to everyone who makes an effort to have the children here at school soon after 8.30am. We value the children having the opportunity to develop independent morning routines that see them ready to start learning when the 8.50am bell goes.

We do discourage arrival before 8.30am (except for the daily road patrollers). This is so that staff can complete preparation and/or attend meetings in order to have them ready to give the children undivided attention on their arrival. There is also no road patrol or supervision before this time - so safety is an issue. Please remember that everyone arriving before 8.30am needs to wait by the large noticeboard until the 8.30am bell (rather than congregate near the front door, or outside their classroom entry points, or head around to play).

If work commitments mean that you need to have your child at school before 8.30am we suggest that you investigate using 'a Plus' as a before school care provider - they operate here on site.

Thank you for your support with this.

GOAL SETTING EVENINGS

Thanks to everyone who made the time to come to one of the goal setting evenings. The children and the teachers value your participation in the home/school partnership with our tamariki. It was really nice to wander through each of the kete and see your child confidently sharing their learning and next steps with you.

ASSEMBLY

Our final whole school assembly for this term will be held next Friday morning at 9am. Miss Salter and Miss Caldwell's whanau class will be on the stage. Everyone is welcome as the children love an audience.

HOUSE T-SHIRTS

We have a supply of house t-shirts on sale here in the school office for \$15.00 each. House t-shirts are able to be worn for all sporting events here at school and add a sense of fun/ownership to our house competition.

Our next house event is the **'Hokowhitu School House Games'** being held on the morning of Friday the 13th April (to celebrate the commencement of this year's Commonwealth Games and also to celebrate the last day of Term 1).

UPCOMING DATES

30 th March, 2 nd & 3 rd April	School closed for Easter break for Good Friday, Easter Monday <u>AND</u> Easter Tuesday
4 th April	Ballot for out of zone enrolments for Terms 3 and 4
13 th April	Hokowhitu School Games/PTA fundraising lunch available/Last day of Term 1
30 th April	Term 2 opens and a guest performer here (no cost as using our Melody's New World winnings).

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Easter break. We look forward to seeing the children back at school next **WEDNESDAY THE 4TH APRIL** at 8.30am ready for an 8.50am start to the day.

Nga mihi
Lin Dixon
Principal

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE /
AMERICAN HOTDOG ORDER
FORMS WERE SENT HOME
TODAY!
LAST DAY FOR ORDERS
MONDAY 9TH APRIL 8.50AM**

Please Return Sports Uniforms
Now that summer sports have finished, please wash & return (in a named plastic bag) all sports uniforms to school (unless you require them for winter sports next term - please note the winter hire fee of \$5 will still apply).

Achievement Awards

Te Kete Wakahuia

Alexey	Welcome to Ruma Toru and Hokowhitu School.
Keira	Trying hard at learning letter sounds.
Emerson	For being a kind friend to new children in Ruma Toru.
Jack	You are making great progress with your number work.
Ruby S	Super spelling work!
Oliver	For focussing at reading workshops.
Nevaeh	For focussing at reading workshops.

Te Kete Pounamu

Caidyn, Nevaeh	
Hajra, Aiden,	TKP Super Stars this week!
Inas, Lil, Finn, Jedd	

Te Kete Manawa

Lily B, Jason	Making lots of effort at reading time.
Emily, Mason	Making lots of effort at reading time.
Riley M	Making lots of effort at reading time.
Liam M, Varvara	Striving to do their best.
Mohammed	Striving to do his best.
Jayden, Bella	Being kind to others.
Hunter, Ellie	Being kind to others.
Peyton, Livvy,	For organising the fundraising disco. You are kind and
Abbie	show perseverance.

Te Kete Aronui

TKA - A huge thank you to the parents/caregivers who came to goal setting evenings it was wonderful to meet you all. Our wonderful STRIVE winners this week are Havana, Mia, Umar, Brooklyn, Shoki. Well done to you all. Have a safe and happy Easter - See you on Wednesday.

Te Kete Tangaroa

Sam	For your enthusiastic attitude to learning. Well done on stepping up!
Jewelina	For a beautiful poem describing yourself. Fantastic word choices!
Presley	For making a great effort with catching up after you have been away. Ka Pai!
Nicholas C	For stepping up in Reading and Writing.
Ella	For trying hard and applying herself in Maths.
Isabella	For having a great attitude in class.
Ava	For always showing perseverance in her schoolwork and not giving up.
Edmund	For showing great consistency in all areas of his school work.
Thomas	For his great enthusiasm he has with his learning, and always working hard to complete the task at hand.

School Sports Results

Hockey Results

The **Hokowhitu Dodgers** lost to Riverdale this week. Player of the day was Kyra. Well done team for playing the game with good sportsmanship. The **Hokowhitu Quicksticks** played a good defensive game against College Street. Players of the day were Amelia and Alistair. The **Hokowhitu Lions** vs Cloverlea was a great final game yesterday. We won 7 nil. Player of the day to Baxter for his great plays in the game. Congrats to the whole team & thanks to Greg Shailer.

Netball Notice

Year 3/4 netball begins today at Vautier Park. Both teams play at 4.40pm. Please make sure your child is at Vautier by 4.15pm for a warm up. A reminder that netball is a winter sport and unless it is unsafe for them to play, expect them to still play in the rain.

Years 1/2/3 Duathlon Results

	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>
Year 1:	1 st - Mila E 2 nd - Charlotte 3 rd - Hayley	1 st - Cooper 2 nd - Riley 3 rd - Harry
Year 2:	1 st - Mila C 2 nd - Hazel 3 rd - Lilian	1 st - Oakley 2 nd - Oscar 3 rd - Felix
Year 3:	1 st - Grace F 2 nd - Emma W 3 rd - Abby H	1 st - Jai 2 nd - Fergus 3 rd - Walker

3K ROAD RACE

Well done to Makenzie, Kaitlin, Mila, Emerald, Lennox, PJ, Hamish and William for your awesome effort at the road race on Tuesday. You all ran hard and did not give up. Also, a huge thank you to Cheryl and Jason for transporting the team and managing the students at the race.



HUMPHRIES CONSTRUCTION

WHĀNAU TRI

SATURDAY 7th APRIL 2018
LIDO AQUATIC CENTRE & ONGLEY PARK

Short Course | 100m swim, 3km bike, 1km run
Medium Course | 200m swim, 6km bike, 2km run
Long Course | 300m swim, 9km bike, 3km run
Aquathon Course | 300m swim, 3km run
Tamariki Tri Course | Run, bike & water slide

A FUN FAMILY EVENT REGISTER NOW

EVERYONE ACTIVE EVERYDAY

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