

From the Principal

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Kia Ora Koutou, Nga mihi kia koutou

Welcome to Mrs Wendy Donnellan who has started at our school this week as a Learning Coach. Wendy will be working with learners in the Tararua team specifically.

Learning programmes remain in full swing as we head towards the end of the term. We respectfully ask that you keep working hard at home to have the children here at school by 8.45am each morning, ready to begin their learning and fun when the 8.50 bell rings.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

The ballot for out of zone Terms 3 and 4 New Entrant enrolments on the 8<sup>th</sup> April. Please ensure all 2016 New Entrant requests are in to us before the ballot occurs.

8<sup>th</sup> April Disco! Tickets will go on sale outside TKT before and after school from Tuesday of next week. \$5.00 per ticket (and this includes a drink, chippies and a sweet treat). Tararua team (Years 1-3) 5pm - 6pm  
 Ruahine team (Years 4-6) 6.15pm - 7.30pm.  
 Thanks so much to our hardworking PTA who have organised this 'fun'raiser - just for Hokowhitu School children!

Learning Conferences are on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of April. (on line bookings are now available at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz) and our school code is z3bqq)

School will be **CLOSING** at 12.30pm on Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> April - to allow conferences to begin at 1pm. Please make arrangements for your child from 12.30 that day - we are not able to provide supervision.

13<sup>th</sup> April - PTA sausage sizzle lunch. Please note that orders close at 9am on the 6<sup>th</sup> April.

13<sup>th</sup> April - 5.30pm Board of Trustees meeting in the staffroom. Everyone welcome to come and see how our current BOT govern our school.

School closes for Term 1 at 3pm on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> April and reopens for Term 2 at 8.50am on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

### EXCESS FURNITURE

Modern, flexible learning spaces do not require as many single desks as classrooms of the past. We have a range of desks that are surplus to our requirements. See Sam B if you would like to make us a donation and take one home with you!

### RIPPA RUGBY

Congratulations to the Rippa rugby team that made the final in the recent module. Next Wednesday the team will participate in a competition day.

Nga mihi

Lin Dixon  
 Principal

### Achievement Awards

#### Rūma Tahī (1)

Elizabeth You are showing excellence in your mathematics learning. Awesome work my friend.  
 Brenna You are showing perseverance with your writing and expanding your ideas. Keep up the great work my friend.

#### Rūma Rua (2)

Logan For being the super star of the week  
 Sarah For working hard during word work  
 Hiru For always being ready to learn

#### Rūma Toru (3)

Walker For practising to write his letter sounds at home  
 Sophie For writing a story about Easter bunny

#### Te Kete Pounamu (5)

Elsa & Imogen For using amazing self-managing skills  
 Lily-Anne For striving to do her best across the curriculum  
 Devika For using clever reading skills

#### Te Kete Pounamu (6)

Jina For consistently showing your self-management skills and leading by example  
 Te Ariki For great listening during class discussions  
 Asha For super thinking and use of descriptive language in your writing.

#### Te Kete Pounamu (7)

Lilian For fluent and expressive reading. You are a pleasure to listen to  
 Neil For beautifully fluent reading. Well done!  
 Brooklyn Working to improve your number knowledge

#### Te Kete Manawa

Ella Congratulations on your writing work! You have been trying hard to include descriptive language.  
 Ellabella For sharing confidently in front of an audience at news time each week  
 Mackenzie & Sophie B For striving to always be helpful and the best that you can be  
 Ruby P For interest and enthusiasm in art activities  
 Waho For great work with our verb activity  
 Zoe For being a focused worker  
 PJ For being a helpful member of TKM  
 Ariana For fantastic improvement with maths number knowledge  
 Zahara For a great effort with your reading

#### Te Kete Tangaroa

Ashton For trying new things and persevering with his mathematics  
 Brandon For stepping up and having a positive attitude towards his learning  
 Kiilani For being an enthusiastic classmate and learner  
 Bella For working hard and completing set tasks  
 Anaru For contributing and engaging in his reading group  
 Vincent For persevering during your Maths  
 Jack W For providing a good prediction during reading  
 Mitchell For your willingness to help others during maths

### Sports Results

#### Hockey results:

Summer hockey had their last games of the season.

Hokowhitu Hobbits played a fantastic game last week.

They have improved hugely over the season and have all tried their best and persevered.



Hokowhitu Hawks played Riverdale and drew 2-2. They have had a fantastic season, with excellent sportsmanship.

#### Hokowhitu Hotshots

Played their final summer hockey game last week and they won. It was a great game and it was excellent to see their skills and team work improving throughout the season



### School Notices

#### Donations

Thank you to those who have paid their school donation. We really appreciate your support. Don't forget that those who paid by 31<sup>st</sup> March (yesterday) can use their receipt for tax purposes. The lucky winner of the \$100 grocery voucher was: Sarah A. Well done!

#### Sports Uniforms

Please return sports uniforms as soon as possible. Particularly hockey uniforms - to Miss Bisset.

### Community Notices

#### Hokowhitu Football Club

We would love you to join our family oriented football club. Everyone welcome from the age of 3 years old. Check out our website for registration, important dates and details for paying fees.

[www.hokowhitufc.co.nz](http://www.hokowhitufc.co.nz)

#### High School Old Boys Junior Rugby

The High School Old Boys Junior Rugby Club Committee wish to extend a very warm welcome to all players, parents and caregivers to our club for the 2016 rugby season.

Online registration can be completed by going to the club's website

[www.sporty.co.nz/pnhsob](http://www.sporty.co.nz/pnhsob)

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