HIKUAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



2nd June 2023

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Kia ora from the Principal



Kia ora everyone. Week 6 of 10 already. The past two weeks have been busy with formal mid year assessment to look at progress in learning. We monitor progress regularly in our learning sessions and use standardised testing at mid-year to provide additional information with regard to reading, writing and maths. We also reflect on our school values and the skills for life they develop. **Progress reports will be available Wednesday 14th June** and **learning conferences to share progress and next steps are set for Tuesday 20th June**. This term we have put a lot of effort into EOTC with social skills, community service, sports development and environmental learning taking place in a range of events. Thank you to

parents who have given feedback with regard to these events. We will continue to provide these opportunities and develop our management of events. Thank you to our families for their continued support with providing a huge range of opportunities for our tamariki.

Ngā mihi, Rachell

EOTC Opportunities

Great to see our learners developing cooperation and teamwork skills last Friday.











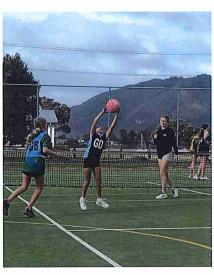
W.H.O.T Winter Sport Tournament.

Great to see our Year 5-7s getting stuck in and working with others yesterday at the W.H.O.T winter sport tournament. We trained at school and with Tairua School in preparation for the event. A great collaboration and a very successful day.













MATARIKI RAFFLE!

Week 4: Our large shade sail is needing an upgrade. (it has rips across the top and is on its last legs!) We have received a generous donation for half and now need to fundraise for the rest. We will be putting together a Matariki Hamper and will sell raffle tickets for it. We hope that our whole school community will get behind this and help by selling 10 raffle tickets to friends, family or neighbours (a card with 10 tickets for \$5 each - if you can sell more GREAT!) Tickets will be coming home Friday 19th May along with a list of hamper ideas.



Tickets need to be sold and returned to school by **Friday 16th June.** We will sell tickets over 2 weekends at Tairua, Pauanui and at the Hunting Competition.- help with this would be appreciated.

The raffle will be drawn on Friday 30th June.

Thanks for helping us look after our school.

Room 3

Room 3 took our learning outside and created a classroom on our back field last week. We used the natural environment to create patterns in nature as part of our geometry. The class created mini structures for our field fairies to live in, looking at construction, and had our literacy groups in the sunshine. What a great time we had.

Symmetry, patterns and measurement with and in nature. Here is a snap shot of our outdoor maths fun. The children had an amazing experience, it made so much sense for them to be outdoors .

Some children commented on how grateful they were for the nature surrounding our school and

expressed curiosity to explore and to be adventurous!

We listened to many sounds including various local birds. We admired the landscape and embraced the autumn leaves and sticks to create mini huts together.

Children were set tasks working with a variety of peers within the group. Strengthening positive relationships within our class. The junior space is forever changing as new friends transition into school. Social and emotional learning plays an important role in child development and when in balance better supports them to focus on other learning too.



Room 4

Our exploration of the concepts of symmetry continues.

Today the students were firstly challenged to rule up an enlarged version of a page in their maths book. They were each given an A2 piece of paper and asked to create a 5cm x 5cm grid pattern over it.

After drawing their line of symmetry down the centre of their page they used a variety of objects to create a pattern (on one side of the paper only).

They then attempted to recreate a complete reflection of their pattern on the opposite side of their paper.

Some elected to use Lego blocks instead, using the same process.

The concentration on their faces demonstrates how challenging some of our students found this task!



Room 5

Our inquiry questions for the science fair assignment have been chosen and we will be starting our experiments next week! The class is collecting resources at school and will need a couple of items from home too. We will keep you informed there. We are aiming to have all our inquiries ready for you to share at the Matariki festival on Thursday 29 June.

Room 5 really had a great day yesterday in Tairua competing with our regional school in Netball, Soccer and Rugby. Meeting new people, making new friends and seeing old friends too.

Food technology made jam filled cookies this week. "Jam Drops" They were delicious!

The Teen Esteem Workshop is next Tuesday! Art, health and social skills development. We are looking forward to the day.

Next Thursday afternoon we will again be visiting Opoutere School and continuing our Kapa Haka development.



UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

Here are some dates that we already know about for Term 2. More will be added as they come to hand.

Term 2 June 2023

Leadership:	The Room 5 Team sessions with Tairua and Opoutere Schools continue
Kapa Haka	Tuesdays 9:00-9:45 with Matua Brandon weather and roads permitting!
ıst	WHOT Winter sport Tournament- Years 5-8
5th	King's Birthday Monday
6th	Teen Esteem Day Room 5
14th	Mid Year Progress Reports go home
22nd	TOTARA Assembly: 2:00 in the M.P Room
23rd - 25th June	Hikuai School Hunting Competition
29th	MATARIKI FESTIVAL 5:30pm -7:30pm
30th	Last day of Term 2

COMMUNITY NEWS, EVENTS SUPPORTERS

THANK YOU TO:

Hikuai School Pig Hunting Competition Fundraiser

TICKETS LIVE for our tickets are live for our comp! Follow the link below or in our bio. If you have any issues give Stacey or Kristy a text/call!

https://events.humanitix.com/hikuai-school-pig-hunting...







King's Birthday Weekend

Screening of

The Gospel According To Matthew Sat 3rd June 4.45pm - 9.30pm Dinner will be served 6.45pm

Sunday 9.30 - 4th June **Special Celebration Service With Invited Guests** Tree Planting & Lunch - bring a plate

Monday 5th June Family Fun Day Picnic Kennedy Park 10am - 1pm Lots of Games - Corn Hole, Petanque, Quoits & more Childrens Sack Races, 3-Legged, Egg & Spoon **Lolly Scramble** Participate or watch. **Bring Your Own Picnic**

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