



NEWSLETTER

Kia ora from the Principal



It has been a busy and successful last two weeks of learning here at school. Our Farm to Table inquiry theme has taken off this term with lots of questions regarding how people make a life on the land and the products that are made to sell grown right here on the Coromandel.

We have been very fortunate to have the support from families and friends of Hikuai School to enable our learning programme. From landscaping and compost learning to farm visits for both inquiry and cross country, we are very grateful to our community for their time and skills. The children are loving the connection and the learning this brings. If you have not joined us for some learning yet, you are most welcome!

Ngā mihi, Rachell



Farm to Table

We have had a busy 2 weeks with farm visits and bee gardens development along with mud kitchen DIY renovation! We all enjoyed our dairy farm visit and still talk about the calves. Room 4's Bee garden project is up and running with lots of planning and research. Bee houses are next. The veggie pod has been providing snacks by way of lettuce for lettuce and cheese sandwich making in Room 3- a great reward for all the sanding and cleaning of the mud kitchen. Compost learning with Jayden was also a highlight. We are loving Farm to Table inquiry this term and the long term impacts it will have on our rural life learning.

Cross Country

Thank you to everyone who made this event successful. Our runners, who trained so well prior to the event. Mr Thomson and the staff team who made the event happen. Our families and community for supporting the event so well and to the MacKenzie Family for hosting us at their farm. Well done everyone and good luck to our WHOT competitors with their next race!



HELLO FROM ROOM 3

Creative Writing

Room 3 has been on a creative journey developing character for their story writing. We started off building characters for our Nogards. They each have an element they connect with such as fire, water etc... We wrote character descriptions and then stories about them. Here is what some of them look like!



Lavender the Nogard

Lavender was sleeping in the ice when suddenly she bit a hole in the ice. She found herself in the water she was freezing because she was only a baby. She missed her mother who was also Lavender. She saw India and said "hi".

Then all of a sudden out of the shadows she saw another Nogard and asked "what is your name?". "Butterfly Wish she said". "What a nice name, said Lavender" to Butterfly Wish. "Do you want to go deep into the water?" asked Lavender "Yes" said Butterfly Wish "OK then let's go!" said Lavender.

Lavender, Butterfly Wish and India saw another Nogard in the water, its name was Sophia. Then they saw another Nogard whose name was Rozina. It was getting dark so we all went home. They all lived happily ever after.

KIA ORA FROM ROOM 4

EOTC - Bush Skills

The second session of our Bush Skills programme saw us travel up the Puketui Valley and into the bush of the Broken Hills area. Once again, Damian's wealth of knowledge came to the fore as we learnt about the edible and medicinal properties of many of our native species.



"My favourite part was using the Kumarahou leaves as soap to wash my hands" - Evie

"I loved seeing the waterfall, it was beautiful" - Shanoli

"The five finger (Whauwhaupaku) tasted a little bit like carrots" - Taylor

"I found a stone from the throat of a Moa, it was so smooth" - Kaea

"You can eat the berries from the Karamu when they are red. The seeds can be turned into coffee" - Hawk

HOLA FROM ROOM 5

Technology

Our Year 5-7s are enjoying their food tech sessions. We have developed our food preparation and hygiene skills and created some yummy products that we always share with the staff! Next up we will be learning hard technology skills using wood.



Well done Room 5 girls for completing the challenging Cross Country race. Maia came first followed by Monica and then Chloe and Trinity. There were smiles all round as they crossed the finish line. They also supported younger children with encouragement and affirmations about their effort and achievements. Great school spirit using our Hikuai values.

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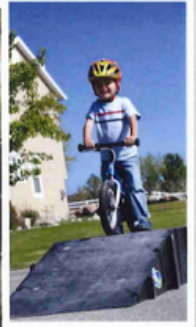
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These three have multiple branches within which can easily adapt and provide life skill learning alongside Paul's years of experience to becoming a professional rider, participant's of the Push Biking Program are sure to be cycling inspired, skilled and with a wide smile as they continue on their cycle of life!



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What's Happening?

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

Term 3

Kapa Haka	Tuesdays 11:00-11:40 with Matua Brandon weather and roads permitting!
Weekly Hui	2:15 every Monday, You are most welcome to come along for songs, sharing of learning and certificates.

Term 3 August 2023

17th	WHOT X Country for top school runners
29th	T.V X Country for top WHOT runners
31st	Cricket Skills session- Summer prep

Term 3 September 2023

8th, 15th and 22nd	Eastern Seaboard, Hockey Big Day Out training and game sessions. (Options for us to attend) TBA
1st	School Disco!- Fluro Theme- get organised ASAP :)
14th	TOTARA Assembly
20th	Kapa Haka Festival at Coromandel Area School

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