

Week 4 Term 2

Friday 19 April

Principal's Message:

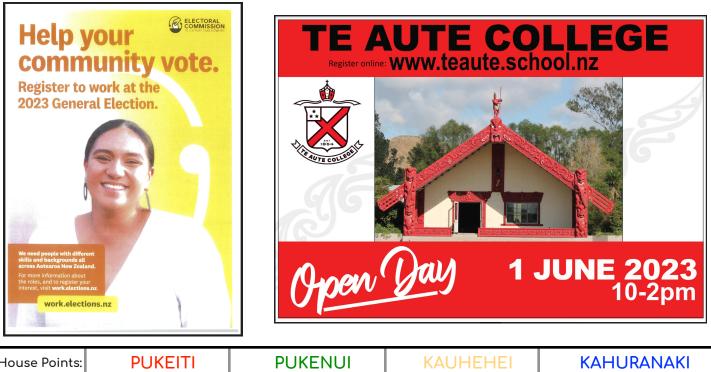
Teaching can be challenging, however, it is hugely rewarding. Teaching and teachers are never static. They are constantly learning, whether it be about their students, about curriculum and pedagogy, or even about themselves. Good teachers are lifelong learners. Last week there was a fantastic opportunity to learn more about our Kōtare students who went on camp at Rānui Farm Park. At school we have been focusing on a 'can-do' attitude and it was awesome to see our tamariki doing just that. There were a few curve balls thrown but they stayed the course! I sometimes wonder whether the parents who come to camp enjoy it more than the children. We had a great team along and their enthusiasm and energy was contagious. A huge thanks to Pixie, AK, Blair, Ryan, and Phill.

Following along from having Ruud 'the Bugman' in school, we have had renowned Geologist Chris Hollis visit. Students from Kea, Kōtare, and Kāhu class went on an expedition this week to find out more about the geology of our area from the Ruahine Ranges to Kairakau Beach. Children had the opportunity to fossick and explore with Chris who willingly shared his knowledge of significant geological events and processes from relatively recent times dating back to when Gondwana existed! One of the highlights for me though was the view from high up on Te Onepu Road looking down to the Te Aute valley below and imagining what *Ngā Puna a Tara* would have looked like hundreds (if not thousands or millions!) of years before.

We have managed to start up our Breakfast Club this week thanks to KickStart Breakfast. Weetbix, milo, and toast have been on the menu and it has been great to see how the tamariki have responded. It has been a lovely way to start each day, sharing a milo and a chat with the kids. Our senior students have been phenomenal, willingly stepping up to serve their peers which is hugely encouraging. While we're in the early stages - the honeymoon stage - we realise that to sustain this long term we will need good systems in place and support from our school community, so if anyone out there is able to assist, please contact us.

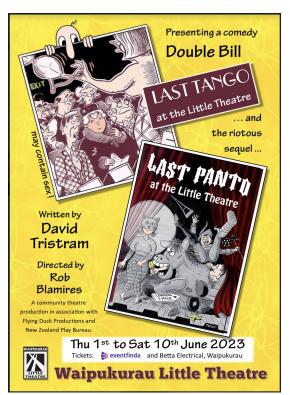
I'm super impressed with the running happening each day as part of the 1km a day to meet the 'Marathon in a Term' fundraiser. Our students are really pushing themselves and many will have run substantially more than a Marathon by the end of the term!! And with Cross Country fast approaching, the intensity will undoubtedly lift!!





House Points:	PUKEITI	PUKENUI	KAUHEHEI	KAHURANAKI
Weeks 3 - 4	6,850	7,250	5,000	7,550
Term totals to date:	11,200	11,300	8,250	11,900

Link for tickets ... https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2023/last-tango-last-panto-at-the-little-theatre/waipukurau



Come along to the Waipukurau Little Theatre in June to see our double Bill 'Last Tango & Last Panto at the Little Theatre' a hilarious and chaotic comedy that follows four thespians through their attempts to save their own Little Theatre. The cast are John Chalmers, Kate Taylor, Eleanor Norris and David Berry. Thursday 1st June through to Saturday 10th June.

The cast is a small cast but big on talent and ALL LOCAL!

Tickets on sale NOW at Betta Electrical or Eventfinda. Come along and support your local theatre and have a good laugh!



We would love some help ringing up this weekend,



Saturday 2-4 and Sunday 11-3.

Even an hour of your time would be awesome! Get in touch with Miles 0272239608 or Pixie 0277212423 for details.

CHB KAHUI AKO RUAHINE & TE ANGIANGI COMMUNITIES OF LEARNING

Check out the Kāhui Ako website's Whānau & Community pages for ideas, resources and any upcoming events. **Website:**

www.chbkahuiako1.co.nz Facebook: CHBKāhuiAko

Parents Cyber Safety Evening: Tuesday August 15th, 6:30-8:30pm.

The CHB Kahui Ako are organising a FREE event for anyone interested in understanding the harms our kids are facing online and the 24/7 switched on effect has on the developing brain. Practical solutions, advice and healthy ways to approach Our Kids Online

tricky topics will also be covered. More information will be added next week on HERO regarding booking tickets (limited seats available). For more information ask Heidi.



Maths Games for Whānau

<u>Video</u> link or view on the Kāhui Ako website in the Whānau & Communities tab..

CHBC Maths teacher and Kāhui Ako Across School Teacher, Sam Kordan, is creating a series of short videos with fun maths games to help support our students' maths knowledge and strategy skills.

<u>IMPORTANT_DATES:</u> <u>MAY</u>				
Sat 21 & Sun 2	22 Bus Group Firewood Sessions			
Wed 24	Yr 8 WPC Mountain Biking			
	<u>JUNE</u>			
Mon 5	King's Birthday - School Closed			
Wed 14	Cross Country @ Pukehou Schoo			
Thurs 22	CHB Inter School Cross Country			
Mon 26 & Tues	s 27 Student Conferences			
Fri 30	End of Term 2			



Lunch

Pukehou School Lunches delivered to School

1 Register an account

2 Add member/s including your child's name,

- 3 Make a payment so you have funds in your account before you order
- 4 Select your lunch and place an order



Parents, you have the opportunity to purchase twice this term, on Wednesday 31st May and again on Wednesday 28th June. Give yourself a break!





'Art with Emma' - a weekly session held for small groups of very fortunate Kāhu students.























Fun for kids of all ages!!











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Board of Trustees Update: Pink Shirt Day is a great day to update you on the Board's meeting with Judith, our ERO* Evaluative Partner, earlier this week. Together with ERO we will be evaluating a school initiative Whanaungatanga Ako | Relationship Learners that was implemented four years ago in response to wellbeing concerns about learners, particularly those most at risk. With all that has happened over the last four years it will be interesting to look at the impact of this initiative on promoting equity and excellent outcomes for all learners. We hope to share some of what goes on in this area with whanau at the upcoming teacher conferences. A full evaluation report is planned for term one 2024 but work in the wellbeing area will also be part of our conversations within the community this year as we continue to develop the strategic plan. More information is available on the Pukehou page at ero.govt.nz.

Have a great weekend! Pixie

On behalf of the BOT team: Blair Slavin, Vanessa Osborne, AK Hansen, Ben Harker, Jess Trew, Rob Pratt

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Wonderful support for "Speak up, Stand together, Stop Bullying". To be fair, the photographer did ask everyone to pull a silly face!



Congratulations to Lylah P on winning our main prize draw this week. We hope you love the earphones.

The PWF just want to give a Friday Shout Out to our tamariki who are embracing the challenge and doing an amazing job!

