

Week 8 Term 3 2023

Friday 8 September

From the Principal's Desk:

It has been fantastic to have an extended period of Hawke's Bay Spring weather of late. Everyone's spirits lift, and it's no different at school. It would be fair to say that there have been a plethora of winter bugs doing the rounds this term. Absences have been high and energy levels low which can often disrupt routines at both home and school.

Yesterday saw us take six teams to the CHB Rippa Tournament, leaving Kererū class the run of the school. It was a fantastic day at Coronation Park and thanks must go out to Elsthorpe School for organising this event. CHB College students refereed the games which is never an easy task, but they did a wonderful job!



Our students had a blast giving it 100%!! We were fortunate to have some great parent and whānau help again. Thanks Peter, Lou, Emma, and Madeline. We really appreciate your support.

With HB Cross Country, HB Dance Festival, Mathletics, Book Fair, and Pet Day to squeeze in, it's going to be an action packed finish to the term! Our students definitely get a wide range of opportunities to explore and excel in.

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And while we have two weeks of this term left. I know that next term will be similarly packed full of opportunity, adventure, and memorable moments. Ali Baba, athletics, gymnastics, Kāhu camp (Wellington), and the William Pike Challenge Wilderness Camp will certainly add to the usual end of year activities.

Values

I'm super excited!! This term we have been tracking how many Golden Tickets have been given out to students displaying our values of Manaakitanga, Tangata Whenuatanga, Whanaungatanga, and Oranga Hauora. Over the term staff and Peer Mediators have given out over 600 Golden Tickets. A number of students have received over 20 tickets and we have our first students to reach 10 in one value. We will present them with a value wristband at Assembly. It will be awesome to celebrate our students who consistently do the right thing.

Teacher Only Day Monday 13th November

Next term we'll have our second Teacher Only Day as provided by the Ministry of Education. The focus is on curriculum and the Pukehou team will be looking at localised curriculum and place based education. We know this will cause some inconvenience and thank you in advance for your support.



CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS:



Woodford House Interschool Equestrian Event

It was fantastic to see the Pukehou School flag flying proudly at this event on the 3rd of September at Equestrian Park. Tilly, Stashia, and Lilly (Argyll East) proudly represented Pukehou School at this recent event. Given they are both Year 7s, they did fantastically well and along with Takapau we were the top Primary School. There are a number of keen riders here at Pukehou School, and it would be great to see a Pukehou School team enter next year too! A huge thanks to Chandar and Lucy for organising this.

HB Hockey U13 Reps

A huge congratulations to Ollie Astill. After a fantastic season with Flemington, Ollie trialled for the U13 boys representative team and was successful! Ollie will travel with the team for a tournament in Manawatū in October. We are super proud of Ollie and are sure that he will have an epic impact at the tournament!





Henry, Oscar and Leo have had a great season playing Rippa for Waipawa.

And Leo has really enjoyed his first hockey season, playing in the Mini Sticks team with Flemington.



SPORT:

Sporting Code	When	General info	Where
CHB Junior Touch 🏉	Starts Monday 30 October, for 5 weeks	Yrs 1-2 on the Turf \$50 per team Supply own coach/ref per team Yrs 3-8 at Russell Park \$15 per team Referee provided	Russell Park, Waipukurau
HB Primary Triathlon	Monday 27 November Entries close 18 November	Individual or Team	HB Regional Aquatic Centre, Hastings
Hot Shots Tennis 🎾	Term Four 2023 and Term One 2024	See the full notice on HERO for more information	Waipukurau
CHB Inter School Tennis 🎾	16th October Entries close 15 Sept, Next Week!	Play on Mondays at 3.30pm. Sign up at school, 4 players per team. Grade A or B?	Waipukurau





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What's Happening in Kereru?

What a busy term of learning we are having!

Maths: We have been learning about number bonds. We can write number bonds in an equation, using number bond circles and in a story sentence.

Literacy: We are developing our independence and having a go to stretch sounds out using finger spelling when writing our stories. Learning to read, hear and blend our letter sounds into words when reading is a focus and we are all making great progress every day!



Here are a few stories written this week:

- My Nana and Poppa had a sleepover and they came on a plane. My Nana and poppa dropped me off at the bus stop. - Maisie
- Mrs Slavin is back for school. Everyone is at school. It is nice to have everyone at school because we missed everyone. Frankie is back at school from Italy. She got a present for me. It is a kitten and I like it! - Georgia
- I went to school in the holidays and Mum is doing a mural. Frieda
- I got cool wallpaper for my room. It has turtles and palm trees. Hugo
- I got five baby chicks from of a egg. The baby chicks are fluffy and cute. Lilly
- Mrs Slavin is amazing and she teaches us at Pukehou School. She has blonde hair and she has cool glasses. She has really cool crafting ideas. She is a good teacher. She has pretty rings. She has silver earrings. She has blue eyes! - Frankie

<u>PE:</u> We have been learning large ball skills. We can roll, bounce, throw and catch a large ball. We are practising working together too. Mahi a te kapa whakamataku! Great teamwork Kererū kids!



<u>Play Based Learning:</u> Working together, sharing ideas

and resources and using our words to express our needs and wants have been a focus this term. We love being creative! Arts and crafts, Lego, Kinex, our icecream shop and baking with the play dough are current favourites.





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