



# Newsletter

Wisdom begins with Wonder



Week 2 Term 2 2025

Friday 9 May

## Principal Korero

Being a nine week term and with two public holidays, Term 2 will undoubtedly fly by. On Tuesday we held our **'Meet the Teacher'** afternoon. It was a wonderful way to connect on a beautiful autumnal evening. Parents, whānau, and children were able to mingle and wander through the classrooms before each teacher provided an overview of the classroom teaching and learning programme.



A huge thanks to everyone who attended, however, we'd like to reiterate that we have an open door policy and if you're curious about the teaching and learning that happens in school, we're more than happy to arrange a visit.

**Waiho i te toipoto, kaua i te toiroa**

*Let us keep close together, not wide apart*

## Building Works

Over the term break, the team from Turfkeys worked hard to install our upgraded waste water system. Sadly this saw the removal of our 'bottle house.' On the bright side, it did see some large piles of soil left behind as a result. Our students are very keen to develop this into a bike 'pump' styled track which we'd love to see happen too! So if you have some expertise in this area or are able to help in some way we'd love to hear from you. Ideally we'd like to action this as soon as possible...a working bee this term maybe?



Further works should be happening this term with the building of new sheds by our water tanks and the relocation of our container closer to the tanks. This will open up our school frontage nicely. It would be great down the track to design a mural for the container as it will be highly visible to traffic on SH2.

We have also been advised that we have a small amount of funding to go towards a learning space. The teaching team all agreed that we'd love to use this to develop an outdoor learning space where curiosity can flourish!

**Hall** - We haven't yet received the designs for our hall upgrade as they are still being peer reviewed. The indications though are that this project will start later in the year 🙌.



## Reporting

As you are aware, schools are in the process of changing from the old curriculum to the new curriculum for Maths in Years 0-8 and English in Years 0-6 [English in Years 7-13 is still in the consultation phase].

This includes new content, progressions and expectations for each year group. Because of this, you could see a change in your child's progress and achievement compared to previous years.

A combination of tools will be used to make 'overall teacher judgements' on a child's progress including assessment, observations and classroom tasks.

As part of this, the expectations for learning areas in our **HERO** student management system will need to be changed too, with some of the data for the 2007 Curriculum expectations archived. We will keep you informed of this process and prior to reports going home will provide an explanation of the changes that have occurred and any impact they may cause.



Student Conferences will occur in the last week of this term for students in **Kererū** and **Kea** classes on **Wednesday 25th June** so please pencil the date in. Reports will go home the Monday before. More information will be provided shortly around booking a conference.

Because Rachael, Mrs. Strong, is on Sabbatical, Kāhu class conferences will occur at the start of Term 3 when she returns.

## Understand your child's learning Parent Portal

Welcome to the Parent Portal, designed to help you understand what your child is learning at school or kura, how they are progressing against the curriculum, and what you can do to support them at home.

As you may or may not be aware, the Minister of Education has launched a new webspace for parents and whānau designed to help them support children's learning at home by including:

- Year-by-year Curriculum Learning Guides
- Practice Activities
- Informative videos and resources

The [parent portal](#) can be accessed here:



## Excelling in his sport!

George White was lucky enough to qualify and compete for New Zealand at the Australian Grand National Saddle Horse and Rider Championship held at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre in April. He competed in the rider 9 years and under 12 years category riding the pony Bellagio KV. George had to fundraise to get across the ditch and he had an amazing experience there. We're super proud of you George!

House Points:	PUKENUI	KAUHEHEI	KAHURANAKI
Week 1 - 2	2,400	3,500	5,000

### IMPORTANT DATES:

(Check updates on the HERO Calendar)

#### MAY

Sunday 11th	Mother's Day
Tuesday 13th	CHB College Yr 8 Open Day
Wednesday 14th	Assembly @ 2.15 pm. All welcome.
Thursday 15th	Pizza Lunch option
Friday 16th	<b>Pink Shirt Day</b> Yr 7-8 Technology #1 in the Hall
Monday 19th	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 6.00pm
Tuesday 20th	Yr 7 & NE's Hearing Check
Wednesday 28th	Pita Pit Lunch option Assembly @ 2.15 pm. See you there!
Friday 30th	Yr 7-8 Technology #2

#### JUNE

Monday 2nd	KING'S BIRTHDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Thursday 5th	CHB Gymnastics Festival
Wednesday 11th	Assembly @ 2.15 pm. Come & join us!
Friday 13th	Yr 7-8 Technology #3
Thursday 19th	PWF Matariki DISCO
Friday 20th	MATARIKI - SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 23rd	Board of Trustees Meeting
Wednesday 25th	Kea & Kererū conferences
Thursday 26th	Whole School Planetarium trip
Friday 27th	End of Term 1

### PWF Update:

The Pukehou Whanau and Friends group had a brief meeting on Tuesday evening.  
At the meeting we locked in Thursday June 19th for a school Matariki Disco, so please put that in your calendar ... It will be a great celebration!  
We are also on the look-out for family recipes for the Pukehou School Cookbook project. If you have any recipes that you think will be a hit, please email them to [whanauandfriends@pukehou.school.nz](mailto:whanauandfriends@pukehou.school.nz) or Jacqui [office@pukehou.school.nz](mailto:office@pukehou.school.nz) over the weekend. We are looking forward to testing recipes and getting the tamariki involved in the artwork for the book.  
Our next meeting date is Wednesday June 4th. If you would like to help out with the Disco, Cookbook or Garden Tour, please do get in touch.  
- AK, Suzannah, Julie, Renate, Pixie, Rachel, Lizzy & Tracey



**BETWEEN THE LINES**

PRESENTS...

**22 MAY 2025 7PM**

THIS IS PADDY GOWER  
AT THE CHB MUNICIPAL THEATRE  
WAIPAWA

[www.betweenthelines.nz](http://www.betweenthelines.nz)  BETWEEN THE LINES CHB

**THIS IS PADDY GOWER**  
Thursday 22nd May 2025, 7.00pm

Paddy Gower needs no introduction. In a major coup for CHB, Paddy will sit down with award-winning journalist Alexa Cook for an unfiltered, entertaining, and insightful discussion.

Expect sharp wit and candid storytelling from one of New Zealand's most fearless media personalities. This is an event you won't want to miss!

Paddy Gower is a celebrated news journalist, former political editor, television presenter, radio broadcaster and documentary maker. He is also now an author, releasing his biography *This Is The F#\$%ing News: My Story*. He has recently completed a speaking tour around Aotearoa, from Stewart Island to Waitangi.



**Mother's Day & Autumn Market**  
CHB Municipal Theatre  
**SATURDAY 10th MAY 2025**



**Kōrero MAI**  
**KŌRERO ATU**  
MAURI TŪ. MAURI ORA  
SPEAK UP. STAND TOGETHER. STOP BULLYING  
**FRIDAY 16 MAY 2025**







We invite you to support the Mental Health Foundation of New Zealand on Friday 16th May. Wear a **Pink Shirt** and bring a **gold coin** to donate to this great cause. Of course you may be dressing fully in pink if you choose!

↓ Official Tennis Results ~ way to go Pukehou!

#### • B Grade:

- 1st Place: Pukehou
- 2nd Place: Waipukurau Green
- 3rd Place: Waipawa (just one point behind!)



**Winter Sports** have started and we have students playing Football, Hockey, Netball and Rugby. Please share your **sports reports and results** with us so we can celebrate them and put them in the newsletter. Remember to play fair and have fun!    



# GET MOVING WITH WINTER SPORTS!



- **Physical Fitness:** Winter sports help kids stay active and healthy, improving their strength, balance, and coordination.
- **Teamwork and Social Skills:** Many winter sports are team-based, teaching kids how to work together, communicate, and support one another.
- **Resilience and Confidence:** Facing challenges like learning new skills or competing in sports can build resilience and boost a child's confidence.
- **Enjoyment and Passion:** Participating in winter sports can spark a lifelong love for physical activity and the outdoors.

**KARAWHIUA! GIVE IT A GO!**

What's  
on  
top?

**Kāhui Ako**  
Ruahine • Te Angiangi



## Scholastic Book Club

Issue 3 2025 has arrived and been given to students. Please have orders into the office next week - by Thursday 15th May. Alternatively, place your order via L00P as per the instructions on the back inside cover.

Each order accumulates points which are used to purchase books for our wonderful School Library.

**TE AUTE vs MANUKURA**  
11.30am U15s & 1pm 1st XV  
**Sat 10 May | Te Aute**

bring your chair, park up, enjoy some kai & cheer the teams on!



**Rugby & Kai**

**FOOD**

Pukehou hangi

hot chips

Bacon & Egg s/wiches

Pukenui burgers

sausage sizzle

sweets & drinks

**Best SIGN comp**

Support your team, bring your own or make one at TA

*Nau mai Tautoko mai*

100 State Highway 2 Pukehou Eftpos available  
More Info 06 8568016 | admin@teaute.school.nz



**CHB Museum Open Day Sunday 18 May 10am -3pm**

Come and celebrate with us the International Museum Day at Central Hawke's Bay Museum in Waipawa.

- Have a look at our current exhibition "**Unpacking the Too Hard Basket**" to support our environment and local art scene.
- Find a treasure at our curious sale of museum surplus items.
- Learn how the museum is going to be developed for the future.

All very exciting and all for **free**. Looking forward seeing you there!

And get a coffee and snack from the **Espresso Loco Coffee** cart parked in the museum courtyard.

**Spaces available NOW!**

Phone 06 211 4268 or email  
chb@launchactive.co.nz



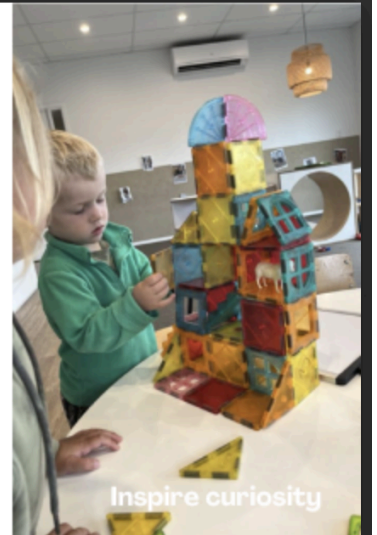
Cultivating young minds



Learning through play



Space to move



Inspire curiosity

