



Newsletter

Wisdom begins with Wonder



Week 6 Term 2 2025

Thursday 5th June

Principal Korero



As week six comes to a close, we have begun to turn our eyes towards Matariki, which links in nicely with our unit on Space. However, there will be more than just an astrological focus on the Matariki cluster. Nationally, the theme this year is *Matariki mā Puanga* which focuses on celebrating together. Puanga (or Rigel) rises at the same time as Matariki and some iwi use this as the marker for the Māori New Year.

We will definitely be taking the time to celebrate together. Matariki generally has three themes, remembrance, celebrating the present, and looking to the future.

At school, in the week leading up to Matariki, classes will be preparing for an Activity Day on Thursday 19th of June. As part of this, parents and whānau are warmly invited to join us for a shared lunch to celebrate the present. More information will come home next week, but please pencil this in. Celebrations will continue into the evening with our PWF (Pukehou Whānau and Friends) hosting a Matariki Disco. This will finish with a reflective walk through the Peace Path, lit by lanterns created by our tamariki (always my highlight!).

Student conferences in Kererū and Kea in the last week of the term will provide an opportunity to share progress and achievement while looking to the future, setting goals for the remainder of the year.

He Kōtuku Rerenga Tahī

A white heron flies but once

While probably not wanting the attention, it is important to recognise and celebrate Liz Graham who, this King's Birthday, was made a Member of the NZ Order of Merit (MNZM) for services to Māori and education.

Pukehou School cherishes the relationship we have with Liz and her whānau, formed over many years. Her support, guidance and leadership as she has nurtured us on our journey has been hugely appreciated and we look forward to continuing it in the years to come.

Digital Circus & Minecraft Education

Our Kāhu learners have been working with Matt from Digital Circus this term on a challenging collaborative project. Their challenge has been to develop a scale model of Pukehou School and its grounds. This has required team work, problem solving and a whole lot of measurement!

It has been a pleasure to see it come together. And while it is not complete, there is a **sneak preview** below. While the exterior is looking great, students will now need to begin developing the interiors. Once complete, they will need to decide how best to share their mahi which is exciting!



Recipe Book Art with Emma

As you may be aware, our PWF are working behind the scenes this year to produce a cookbook stacked full of amazing recipes. To complement this, our tamariki are enthusiastically working with the talented Emma Harker on art to accompany the recipes. We've been blown away by the art produced, and the challenge will be deciding which pieces of art to use (I'm glad it's not my decision!!).



Assembly We hold our assemblies every second Wednesday afternoon at 2.15pm. These are an opportunity to come together and celebrate our tamariki and their learning. Parents and whānau are always warmly welcomed. Our next assembly on Wednesday 11th June will be hosted by Kāhu class, and we'd love to see you there.



Trees, trees, and more trees!



The *Trees 4 Survival* initiative, supported by the Papanui Catchment Group, has started. However, there were a few hiccoughs! The awesome team from Sustainable HB came down to help construct our shade tables, however, some parts had been lost in transit from the supplier. Fingers

crossed that we can get them up and running soon as they have created lots of curiosity and discussion with our tamariki.

We also recently received a number of native trees from the *Paper 4 Trees* initiative which supplies trees for organisations who recycle paper. Our senior students loved getting their hands dirty as they planted them along our rear boundary fence line.



Fireballs Aotearoa It was fantastic to have Steve Wyn-Harris visit Kāhu class this week and share his knowledge around meteorites and his passion for finding them!! He shared his story of finding Aotearoa NZ's 10th meteorite Takapō! Steve has recently launched a book *The Day I Crashed to Earth*, and more information can be found about meteorites in the Fireballs Aotearoa website.

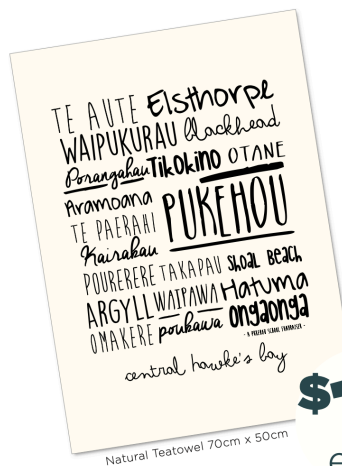


IMPORTANT DATES:

(Check updates on the HERO Calendar)

JUNE

Wednesday 11th	Assembly @ 2.15 pm. Come & join us!
Friday 13th	Yr 7-8 Technology #3
Thursday 19th	Activity Day & PWF Matariki *D*I*S*C*O*
Friday 20th	SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 23rd	Board of Trustees Meeting
Wednesday 25th	Kea & Kererū <u>conferences</u> <u>Book on HERO</u>
Thursday 26th	Planetarium trip, whole school
Friday 27th	End of Term 1



~ CHB ~ TEA-TOWEL

Fundraiser for Senior Class
Camp to Wellington

\$15
each

Cash, or Bank Transfer with your NAME and 'TEATOWEL' as reference to:
Pukehou School 12-3479-0012153-00

All orders in to the office by Monday 23rd June 2025

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whānau
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SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

Pukehou School Board elections will
be held in September

What does the Board do?

The board is responsible for determining the strategic vision for the school. When developing its plan, the board considers the school's vision, aims and objectives. The plan will detail the board's targets and guides its future decision-making. The strategic plan is a binding agreement between the school board and the Minister of Education. If you are still reading after all that you should definitely consider putting your name down!

How about joining the team?

Talk to Pixie, AK, Ben H, Hayley, Byron, Rob or Jacqui for more info

Sports Reports:

24 May:

Fabulous defence from our Kea ladies today! 3-0 to Takapau School, but our girls blocked so well!



GETTING OUTSIDE AND ACTIVE IN CHB



What's
on
top?

Autumn in Central Hawke's Bay is a fantastic time for whānau to connect with Papatūānuku, while exploring the region's beautiful beaches, parks, river and bush trails.

- Park Run every Saturday, 8am, Russel park, 5km along the limestone, free event, walk or run.
- Ruahine Forest Park consists of beautiful bush covered ranges with a range of recreation opportunities. Take the kids for the day or stay in one of the many huts over night.
- Gum Tree Farm Mountain Bike Park is a made up of 30km of single track. A great mountain biking track with something for all abilities.

Kāhui Ako
Ruahine - Te Angiangi



13th Grade Intercity Football: Archer and Jaxon have had great games in the last two weeks with Archer being named player of the day on the 24th. This Saturday the Team vs Napier City at Russell Park @ 10.30am. Pop down and support them if you can.



HAWKES BAY SAFEZONE Magazine

ka tango i tetahi kainga ki te whakatipu tamaiti

Dear Parents, whanau & caregivers

We're excited to share our FREE online SAFETY magazine with you.

The publication is aimed at primary aged tamariki and their parents.

We thank Safekids Aotearoa (Starship Digital and Community Engagement) for editorial

Our shared vision is that every child in Hawkes Bay Region and Aotearoa New Zealand enjoys a childhood free from traumatic, unintentional injury.

For FREE ACCESS just scan the below QR CODE (This is for mobile devices)



To access magazine on your PC go to

<https://communitysafety.co.nz/magazine.php?m=274>



Top 5 Tips for Healthy Bowels



Fluid and Food:

Get enough in to help it come out – aim for 1.5-2L of water and 25-34 grams of fibre daily for an adult.



Physical Activity:

Move your body to help move your bowels. 20-30 minutes of activity at least 3-4 times weekly is ideal.



Timing:

Relax and take your time on the toilet – allow about 10 minutes after breakfast and dinner, or whenever you feel the urge to go.



Position:

Sit on the toilet with your feet flat, knees at slightly above your hips, and leaning forward slightly.



Know your Pattern:

Be familiar with your bowel pattern and what is "normal" so that you know when to seek help.

Visit www.continence.org.nz to find out more about keeping your bowel healthy!

continence NZ

9 July - 19 July 2025

'Allo 'Allo 'Allo - Est There Any Body La?

A Murder Mystery Farce

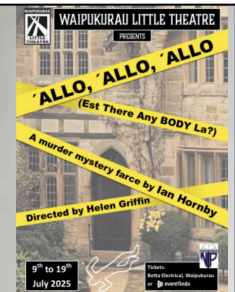
The Story ...

Join us on a visit to Squire Grange where Sir Malcolm Squire has been brutally murdered. The inept police Inspector Sides and Sergeant Fickey, plus the glamorous Eve, are on the case, aided by Sir Malcolm's wife, Lady Amelia, the cook, Mabel and Smalls, the butler.

When Sir Malcolm reappears as a ghost - visible only to Amelia - the police think she is going mad. Then the body count starts to mount.

Will the police solve the killings before everyone dies? Who is the mysterious Fifi, and why does she bear an uncanny likeness to Eve?

A murder mystery farce - fabulously written with great characters and a story line that will keep everyone laughing from start to finish



Share

Written by:
IAN HORNBY

Directed by:
HELEN GRIFFIN

Cast:
LINDSEY BISHOP, ROB BLAMIERES,
CAM DAVIS, JULIETTE GRIFFIN,
ISOBEL LLOYD, CHRIS SCANLAN &
KATE TAYLOR

