



Newsletter

Wisdom begins with Wonder



Week 8 Term 3 2025

Thursday 4th September

Acting Principal Korero

Kia ora Whanau

What a fantastic day we had last week when the whole school travelled to Central Hawke's Bay College to enjoy the touring Science Roadshow. It was a real treat to watch our tamariki so engaged — they took part in two brilliant lessons that explored the impact we as humans have on the environment and our clean water supply, and another that demonstrated vacuum and forces. The presenters made tricky ideas accessible and exciting, and our students asked thoughtful questions throughout.

After the lessons, the children had a chance to get hands-on with numerous scientific displays. It was wonderful to see them experiment, explore and collaborate — many students were completely captivated from start to finish. Their curiosity and enthusiasm were a joy to witness, and their respectful behaviour was a credit to our school.

Back at school the excitement continued in the discovery playground, where students worked together to build creations some of which were inspired by the show. Seeing groups design and construct imaginative projects — including the flying machine shown on the next page — was a delight and a perfect example of learning in action.

Thank you to our teachers and parent helpers for making the trip possible, and to our students for their excellent behaviour and eager participation. Experiences like this spark a love of learning that will stay with our children for a long time.

With only two weeks of the term remaining, I have become aware of the many activities that will be occurring in this short time-frame. Over the next two weeks all our students and staff will be fully involved in our school Production preparations. The show is coming together well, and Mrs Strong continues to energise us with her passion and enthusiasm. Next week on Wednesday we have some of our students competing in the CHB Schools Athletics competition, which I am keen to attend. On Friday the 12th September school will be closed as teachers will be involved in a TEACHER ONLY DAY with many teachers from Central Hawke's Bay schools focused on the new Mathematics curriculum.

During the final week of the term we will be busy transporting some of our students on Tuesday to Hastings to compete in the Hawke's Bay Inter-school cross country championships. Then on Thursday we have entered four teams into the Central Hawke's Bay Rippa Rugby Tournament. Our teams have been practising during breaks and look very sharp to compete.

Ngā mihi,

Mark Gifkins
Acting Principal





Remaining LUNCH OPTIONS this term:

Lunch Online

Thursday 11 Sept - Dominos Pizza

Wednesday 17 Sept - Pita Pit

Please see the attached order form for Fish'n'Chip lunch from Waipawa Fish Supply. Orders due on Tuesday 9th September for lunch on Thursday 11th September. If you plan to be coming north from Waipawa at around 12.45pm and could deliver, please let Jacqui know.



IMPORTANT DATES:

(Check updates on the HERO Calendar)

SEPTEMBER

Sun 7th Father's Day

Mon 8th Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30 pm

Fri 12th **TEACHER ONLY DAY ~ School Closed**

Tues 16th HB Cross Country

Thurs 18th 4 Year Old Discovery Day & CHB Rippa Rugby Tournament

Fri 19th End of Term 3

Well done on the sunny outfits and thank you for the donations collected on Daffodil Day.
\$60 was raised for the local Cancer Society.



READ TO SUCCEED!

Reading to our tamariki is essential for their development and growth. It not only helps to expand their vocabulary and language skills but also sparks their imagination and creativity. Through stories, tamariki can explore new worlds, understand different perspectives, and develop empathy. Reading together also strengthens the bond between adults and children, creating a shared experience that fosters a love for learning.

Encouraging a reading habit early on sets the foundation for lifelong learning and success. Kia kaha, let's make reading a cherished part of our tamariki's daily routine!



What's
on
top?

Kāhui Ako
Ruahine • Te Angiangi



Pukehou School invites you to
their Discovery Day

We invite 4 Year olds and their parents
to visit Pukehou School.

Join Kererū class (Years 0-2) for a morning of discovery.
Enjoy a play in the classroom and our playground before
morning tea..



Discovery Day Dates in Term 3 2025
Friday August 22 and Thursday 18 September
9:30 am - 11:00 am

Please contact Fleur
fleur.mcdowell@pukehou.school.nz or Jacqui
(06) 856 8169 to confirm numbers a week prior.



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Argyll East School

Clearing Sale

Surplus farming, lifestyle and general goods



Entries into Sale Open Now

Pre-registration available

WHERE	WHEN	ENTRIES FOR SALE CLOSE
1231 Tikokino Road Tikokino, 4273	Friday 21st November	Tuesday 18th November

Viewing from 9am Auction starts 11am



- HOW IT WORKS
- Call or email to arrange registration or register your items for sale online.
 - Professional auctioneers sell on your behalf to the highest bidder.
 - You keep the sale price and a small commission goes towards Argyll East School.



Entry Form



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Malcolm Campbell: 027 417 7447 Christina: 068575102 Email: clearingsale@argylleastschool.nz

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HORSE RIDING SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Mon 22nd - Fri 26th September

Mon 29th - Fri 3rd October



A hands-on horse riding programme for all levels. Build confidence, connect with horses, and enjoy the great outdoors. No experience needed!

Booking options: One-day | Multiple days | Full week

Location: Clive, Hawkes Bay

Contact: Julia

Phone: 027 822 3185

The Lawn
EQUESTRIAN

Our Kids Online

Kia ora,

Welcome to this weeks **2-Minute Tuesdays - Parenting Tips and Tricks!**

Enjoy!

Rob Cope

This week -

What Smartphone Is Safe For my Kids?

The only phone I would trust with my kids.

Safe Surfer's Kid-Safe Phone can't be worked around. With world-class filtering, nudity detection, and keyword alerts for bullying, self-harm, porn, and more — it gives kids freedom to connect while giving parents peace of mind.

If you've been along to one of my talks then you've already heard how great I think it is!

Check it out here <https://kidsafephone.nz>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pAc9jRpFdBM&t=5s>

Gaming Without the Parental Guilt

Is your kid gaming more than feels healthy? How much is too much, and what boundaries can you set so it's balanced and you don't feel like you're dropping the ball?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6q0CZru_YxE