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WHĀIA TE ARA TIKA
Seek your own path

THE ADVENTURE WAY

Our children will discover who they can be

Curious

Creative

Collaborative

Self-directed

Self-aware



Welcome to our new students. It's great to have you join our Adventure whānau!

Room 10: Azure Burgess, Elaine Shi

Room 25: Jemma Collins



Kia ora, Nameste, Talofa, Guten Tag, Gidday, Vannakkam, ni Hao, Bula, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Mālo ni, Hola, Goeie Dag, Bonjour, Καλημέρα, Sat Shri Akal, Greetings!

Thank you to all of those who attended the pre-recorded screening of Rob Cope's Kid's Online Cyber Safety presentation last night. We have now had 170 of our parents/ caregivers attend a session which is fantastic!

My apology for the inconvenience caused by the teacher union meeting last week. Unfortunately, the timing and notice period were outside our control; however, teachers have now voted to accept the latest Ministry of Education offer, so disruptions will no longer be an issue.

Importance of Regular Attendance

You may be aware of the government strategy to improve student attendance.

If a child misses school for one week every term, by the time they are 16 they will have missed one year of schooling.

Regular school attendance makes a big difference. Every day counts, and research shows that missing too many days leads to

- lost opportunities to learn, resulting in lower achievement
- poorer well-being and increased anxiety
- a decreased sense of belonging and social connection with peers

Patterns of attendance start early and carry through for a learner's time at school. If your child is struggling to get to school for reasons other than being unwell, please reach out and talk to their teacher, a team leader, Deputy Principal, or myself so we can work together to get them to class.

Getting to School on Time

Just a reminder that school starts at 8.55am. There are a number of children who arrive after the bell most days.

If your child arrives 30 minutes late every day, they will have missed half a day's learning each week.

Aside from missing important learning, children have not had time to get themselves organised, and connect with their teacher and friends when they arrive late. It is important we work together to set them up for success, so please also reach out if this is something you are finding to be a challenge with your child(ren).

Principal's Awhi Award



Congratulations to these wonderful Adventurers who were presented with a Principal's Awhi Award at our recent school assembly for naturally showing the values within the Adventure Way Traits.



**Albert Borodatov, Adrielle Talas, Eita Mone, Kody Cotter,
Carter Strickland, Connell McIntosh**

Ngā mihi nui
Tania Cox
Principal – Tumuaiki

REMINDER

We are a “Nut-free” School

Severe Nut Allergy

Just a reminder, Adventure is a “Nut Free” school as we have several children with severe and life-threatening allergies to nuts. For some of these children, coming into contact with nuts or nut products, even by touching nut residue left on surfaces, can trigger a life-threatening allergic reaction.

We take every practical precaution to keep these children safe and we really appreciate your understanding in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office.

Please check packaging for “Nut products” or traces of nuts.



Coming Up

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

WHEN: Friday 9 June - 2pm

HOSTED BY: Head Boy & Head Girl

BUDDY CLASS ITEM: Rooms 3 & 27

WHEN: Friday 23 June - 2pm

FOCUS: Matariki Launch

**You are very
welcome to join
us!**



kōwhai – Mānuka

Toy Sale



Friday 16 June

Items priced at: \$1 \$2 \$5

Māori Whānau Hui

Thursday 29 June

Additional information coming

**6.00-7.30PM
(The Hall)**

Matariki DISCO

Friday 16 June

Year 1-6 ✦ 5:30 – 7:30pm

\$2 ENTRY – INCLUDES A GLOW BRACELET



Friday 23 June

Year 7&8 ✦ 7:30 – 9:30pm

\$5 ENTRY – INCLUDES A GOODIE BAG (PREPAID TICKETS ONLY)



**CASH AT THE DOOR BUT CASHLESS INSIDE THE HALL
BUY A PREPAID PTNi CARD ON KINDO OR AT THE DOOR**



SCHOOL POLICIES – Current Reviews



- If you would like to give feedback on the following policies, log in to SchoolDocs and follow the review instructions.

TERM TWO

- EOTC Planning & Review
- EOTC Risk management
- EOTC Coordinator
- EOTC Staff Competence
- EOTC Event Categories
- EOTC Communicating with Parents

Out and About

Tough Guy n' Gal



Well done to our 120 children who braved the rain and cold to conquer the Tough Guy n' Gal mud challenge recently.

Rose Bonar (Yr 8)

Even though I had never done it before, it was awesome - me and my friends just walking through the forest covered in mud, tackling different obstacles, walking in giant muddy puddles and just barely managing to keep my shoes strapped on and then crossing the finish line all together. Although, I must admit it was nice to come home and have a shower and I wouldn't recommended wearing your favourite pair of shoes because that mud does not come off easily! If you haven't done it before, it is just a great opportunity to let loose and have a great time with your friends.





T-Ball Competition



All classes participated enthusiastically, playing against each other in a series of thrilling matches. The competition was fierce, but it also brought great fun and enjoyment to all involved. After several intense rounds, the final match was played between Room 2 and Room 3. This was a close game but eventually Room 2 managed to get more players home with a score of 14-9.



Ruma Rua
Winners of the Nikau Trophy

Samoan Language Week



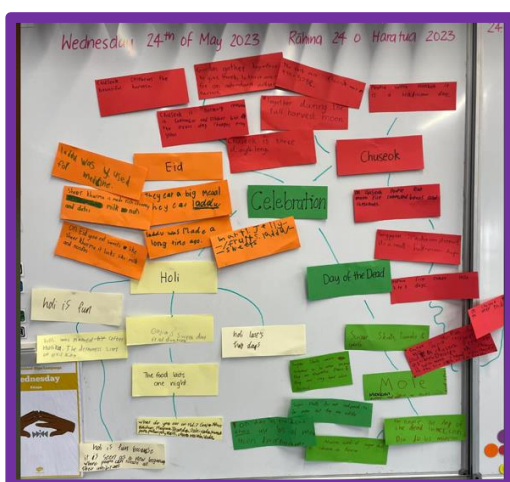
The Sasa

Room 2 learned the Sasa – a traditional Samoan Slap dance.



Celebrations Inquiry

Nīkau students have been exploring different celebrations and traditions. We shared what we already knew and asked curious questions to research further. In Room 3, the students worked collaboratively to find information about various celebrations and made a mind map.



Lennox Manase (Yr 6)

Over two weekends in March, Lennox competed in the Wellington Regional Athletics Championships representing Olympic.

Kids of all ages from across the wider Wellington region competed for their clubs. This is Lennox's first year at athletics and he has really enjoyed learning a new sport.

He had some fantastic results:

- ➔ finalist in the 100m
- ➔ 3rd in 1500m and mixed relay medley
- ➔ 2nd in 800m and high jump
- ➔ 1st in 4 x 100m



The Magical World of Crazy Science

Kindly funded by our PTNi - Thank you!

The Magical World of Crazy Science is a delightful mixture of magical visual science demonstrations that teaches a wide array of science concepts.

The children from Years 3-8 were treated to a totally unique show that had them spellbound by the combining science, illusion, and the arts.

They witnessed giant columns of elephant toothpaste, a genie's appearance from a lamp, the world's weirdest bird or Sir Isaac Newton 'live', massive smoke rings zooming and toilet paper flying, levitations, gigantic bubbles, mountains of slime and billowing concoctions.

A huge thank you to our PTNi for funding this spectacular event with Sausage Sizzle and Disco fundraisers.





Important Dates for Your Calendar

Please be aware some details may change.



TERM TWO

Week 7	Friday 9 June	Sausage sizzle 2pm: Assembly Lucky Book Club Issue 4 orders close
Week 8	Friday 16 June	9am-1pm – Kōwhai & Mānuka Toy Sale 5.30-7.30pm: Disco – Years 1-6
Week 9	Monday 19 June	5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Friday 23 June	2pm: Assembly (Matariki launch) 7.30-9.30pm: Disco – Years 7-8
Week 10	Monday 26 June	7.30am: Tōtara Matariki breakfast
	Wednesday 28 June	9.30am-1pm: Tōtara Science Expo in Hall
	Thursday 29 June	6-7.30pm: Māori Whānau Hui – details to come
	Friday 30 June	2pm: Matariki celebration End of Term 2

2023 Term Dates

Term One:	Thursday 2 February – Thursday 6 April
Term Two:	Wednesday 26 April – Friday 30 June
Term Three:	Monday 17 July – Friday 22 September
Term Four:	Monday 9 October – Tuesday 19 December tbc

School will be closed on the following days:

Waitangi Day – Monday 6 February

Easter – Friday 7 April – Tuesday 11 April (during the holidays)

Anzac Day – Tuesday 25 April (during holidays)

~~Teacher Only Day – Friday 2 June - cancelled~~

King's Birthday – Monday 5 June

Matariki – Friday 14 July (during the holidays)

Labour Day – Monday 23 October

Community Notices

Aotea College ~ Open Evening for 2024 Year 9 students.

Thursday 15th June - 3:30 to 5pm & 5.30 to 7pm

Enrolments for 2024 are now open.

Out of zone applications **MUST be with us by Monday 24th July** to be included in the ballot.

In zone enrolments are requested to be with us by Friday 12th August.

For any questions, please email our enrolments officer on aln@aotea.school.nz

Spotlight Performing Arts - Your local Performing Arts School.

Dance, Drama and Singing for students aged 4-15 yrs old.

Led by a London West End performer!

AOTEA-JOHNSONVILLE-KARORI-LOWER HUTT-NEWTOWN-UPPER HUTT

Book your child's two-week trial for next term NOW!

www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz

KELLY SPORTS IS BACK FOR TERM 3 - WARM UP WINTER SPORTS!!

The Kelly Sports sessions are a great way to improve your child's motor skills and coordination within a FUN environment. We aim to develop and enhance balls skills; catching, kicking and throwing, while improving strength, flexibility, hand/eye coordination and spatial awareness.

In Term 3 we will be focusing on the following sports:

Football, Hockey, Turbo touch and Mini Ball!

We teach new skills and improve ability by using games, drills and exercises. It's a great way to try new sports, improve skills and maintain fitness – all while having FUN!

Wednesday's 3.05pm-4.05pm for 8 weeks.

Classes start in week 2 of term 3 .

School Holiday Activities

Winter Holiday Programme @ Adventure School, 3 - 14 July 2023

BOOKINGS OPEN Now! 2 weeks of popular and exciting activities await your child (e.g. Trip to Laserforce, Southward Car Museum, Trampoline Park, Roller Skating Rink, NZ Police Museum, Movies @ Lighthouse Cinema and much more).

BOOK ONLINE: www.asfc.co.nz or for more information e-mail holprog@asfc.co.nz or call 027-454-6975. Our opening times are 7.30 am - 5.00 / 5.30pm. Children from all schools are welcome 😊

AFTER SCHOOL



Holiday Programme @ Adventure School

School Holiday Steam

This 'one-day-only' event on Saturday the 8th of July is a huge undertaking, offering 10 different train experiences for the individual or the whole family! From a breakfast onboard as we race through the Hutt Valley, or an afternoon sprint up the Kapiti Coast to Paekakariki traversing the Escarpment, we've got something for everyone.

Train services depart from Wellington, Upper Hutt and Paekakariki, being hauled by our 1956-built steam locomotive heading north, and our 1955-built diesel electric locomotive heading south.

All details are here: <https://steaminc.org.nz/book-train-trip/school-holiday-steam/>

CodeCamp July School Holidays

CodeCamp allows children from the ages of 7-12 to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed environment.

Develop confidence & initiative through design, creativity, solving problems, presenting & collaboration. Create games, apps.

Thorndon School: 3rd - 6th & 10th - 13th July

Book Now at <https://codecamp.co.nz>

EarlyBird Save 15%

Siblings Save 6%

Kelly Sports is back for the July School Holidays at Ngatitoa Domain, Pascoe Ave, Porirua!

Join Connor and the team for a fun filled sports holiday programme!

We have a packed full programme with lots exciting days including:

Football Cup Day, Multi Sports Day, New Sports Fun, Medieval Tournament Day, Kids VS Coaches Day, Dodgeball Derby!! plus trips to:

Laserforce, Awesome Bounce and we are off to the movies to see Elemental!

To book or for more information go to www.kellysports.co.nz