



Adventure School

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WHĀIA TE ARA TIKĀ
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 5: Vikram Joseph



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

It's been another busy term and I have really enjoyed seeing motivated, curious and engaged learners as I wander around the school. We are looking forward to seeing some of you at our many cultural events throughout next week. *Please check the Calendar of events towards the end of the newsletter for dates and times.*

I hope you all have an enjoyable and fun time with family over the break; we look forward to seeing your children back at school next term, rested and ready to learn!

Dangerous Pick-up/ Drop-offs

Unfortunately, I have had a number of complaints from parents and staff about dangerous parking, both when picking up and dropping off children. I also have witnessed this and share their concerns.

Dangerous actions include vehicles

- stopping in the middle of the road and calling their children over to get in the car
- pulling into the school driveway and then backing out to leave
- driving into and around the staff carpark

A Reminder

- The only vehicles permitted inside the school grounds between 8.30am and 3.30pm are Staff
- Caregivers who have a child with specific needs (by arrangement with the school)

Please do your part to keep all our kids safe

Please...

- Help your child cross the road to your vehicle if you are parked in the angle parks opposite the school entrance to avoid them running across in front of moving cars
- **Park** before calling your children to the car
- Don't drive into the staff carpark, except for emergencies or if you have permission to do so

Road Safety Reinforcement with our Kids

Concerns have also been raised about children crossing roads both on foot and on bikes without checking for vehicles, so we will be talking to our children around this.

If your children are crossing **Exploration Way** in particular, please have a chat to them about checking for moving vehicle as this has been one road, in particular, we have had reports of children darting across in front of vehicles.

Thank you - We do appreciate your support to help keep all kids safe.

Principal's Awhi Award



Congratulations to these amazing 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.

**Mireya Roche (Year 6)
& Jonty McMullan (Year 7)**



Ngā mihi nui
Tania Cox
Principal – Tumuaki

Coming Up

Nau mai, haere mai

**You and your whānau are invited to the Adventure School
Whānau Hui & Kapa Haka Performance**

**Thursday 29 June
6-7.30pm
(In the school hall)**

Tamariki welcome

This is an opportunity for you, as members of our school community, to meet and network with others. The school will share an overview of what Adventure School offers under the umbrella of te Āo Māori and you will be treated to a performance by our Kapa Haka.

Light refreshments, including tea, coffee and juice will be provided.
You are welcome to bring along a plate of kai to share.

For any enquiries, please email Carl McManaway
cmcmanaway@adventure.school.nz

Please RSVP to:
the office phone 234-7220
or Tania Cox principal@adventure.school.nz

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

WHEN: Friday 23 June - 2pm

FOCUS: Matariki Launch

WHEN: Friday 30 June - 2pm

FOCUS: Matariki Sharing

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



Community Consultation Survey

COMING SOON...

You will soon be invited to take part in a survey to help the Board plan the strategic direction of the school.

Your feedback will be very much valued.



We are very proud of our 50 runners who gave it their all at the recent Parumoana Cross country competition. Congratulations to the following students who gained top 10 placings on the day and will be representing Parumoana at the Regionals in Masterton on Tuesday 27 June.

Student	Year Group race	Placing
Brody Burrows	Year 4 Boys	4th
Oliver Griffiths	Year 4 Boys	7th
Maisie Forsyth	Year 4 Girls	2nd
Stephanie Abaniel	Year 4 Girls	10th
Jacob Penno	Year 5 Boys	10th
Annie van Son	Year 5 Girls	6th
Lennox Manase	Year 6 Boys	2nd
Joshua Penno	Year 6 Boys	6th
Isabella Frew	Year 6 Girls	3rd
Sienna Bridge	Year 6 Girls	8th
Charlie Scott	Year 7 Boys	9th
Kody Cotter	Year 7 Boys	10th
Poppy Dickson	Year 7 Girls	1st
Chloe Po	Year 7 Girls	9th
Cameron Starr	Year 8 Boys	1st
Justin Wang	Year 8 Boys	3rd
Macy Chambers	Year 8 Girls	1st
Kaylee Burrows	Year 8 Girls	4th



THANK YOU

Kōwhai-Mānuka Toy Sale

Thank you so much for supporting our Toy Sale!

*You helped us raise
\$2,000*

A very special THANK YOU to our amazing Tōtara helpers!



Matariki Disco

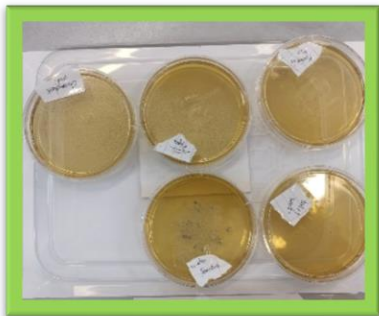
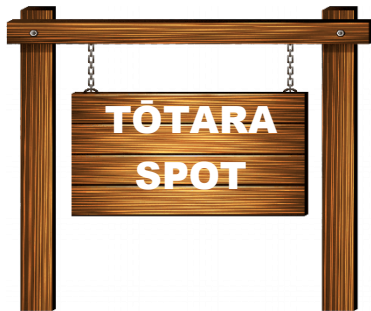
A huge thank you to the PTNi Disco committee for the planning and hard work that went into making the Years 1-6 Matariki Disco a great success! Thanks also to the fabulous parents who also helped out on the night – you are all amazing!

Unfortunately, there was not enough uptake from students to proceed with the Years 7-8 Disco this term.



YOU HELPED US

\$2,000



Preparation for Tōtara's Science Expo.

Tōtara has been full STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) ahead this term learning all about fair tests, scientific principles and procedures. Students have conducted a variety of experiments over the term - using petri dishes to test bacteria levels around the school; analysing the resilience, absorbency, or elasticity of certain materials; figuring out what baking powder (or lack of) does to production of fluffy cupcakes; they have even tried to decipher whether certain colour combinations elicit different reactions in individuals.

All this has been in preparation for our Tōtara Science Expo which will be held in the school Hall on the last Wednesday of the term. Feel free to come along and see what we have all been up to over the past nine weeks. You may even leave with a greater understanding of the world around us.



Totara Science Fair

**Next Wednesday
from 9.30am to 1pm
in the Hall**

Feel free to come down between the hours of 9.30am and 1pm and roam around our various displays. You might learn how best to make crystals, dissolve eggs or even create your own potato cannon.

Everyone welcome!



Tōtara's Pasifika Group

Talofa lava! Our new Tōtara Pasifika Group has been working away this term preparing for Samoan Language Week. The students committed to lunchtime practices to learn a sāsā - a form of percussion dance performed usually while sitting on the floor. They performed their sāsā at the most recent school assembly with great confidence and precision. It will be a performance remembered by many of their fellow students for a long time!

The group are now looking forward to preparing for Cook Islands Language Week next term. More to come from us!



IN THE SPOTLIGHT

A superb effort!

Sebastian Smit (Year 6)

Sebastian was part of the team that were runners up in the yearly Christian Cullen 7's tournament hosted by ParePlim on King's Birthday Weekend.

In the 6 games they played against teams from across the Wellington region for the day, he managed to score 8 tries in total for his team. It was a magic team effort as they only trained once together.



REMINDER

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



Important Dates for Your Calendar

Please be aware some details may change.



TERM TWO

Week 9	Friday 23 June	2pm: Assembly (Matariki launch)
Week 10	Monday 26 June	7.30am: Tōtara Matariki breakfast 11.15am: Nikau celebration
	Tuesday 27 June	Regional Cross Country
	Wednesday 28 June	9.30am–1pm: Tōtara Science Expo in Hall
	Thursday 29 June	12pm: Rimu shared lunch
	Friday 30 June	2pm: Matariki celebration End of Term 2

TERM THREE

Week 1	Friday 21 July	9.10am: Mihi Whakatau
Week 2	Tuesday 25 July	7pm: PTNi meeting. All welcome
Week 3	Monday 31 July	5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Wednesday 2 August	Learning Conversations
	Thursday 3 August	Learning Conversations
	Friday 4 August	2pm: Assembly

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 enrolments

Enrolments for 2024 are now open. In zone enrolments are requested to be with us by Friday 12th August. Out of zone applications MUST be with us by Monday 24th July to be included in the ballot.

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

WHITBY DANCE! ENROLMENTS ARE OPEN FOR TERM 3!

Come and join our dance community in Term 3. With classes starting from as young as 2 years, we offer Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, Lyrical, our very own Preschool Programme, Privates, Competitive and Adult classes.

For more info check out our website: <https://whitbydance.co.nz>

Or you can find us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WhitbyDanceNZ>

Contact us to enrol today!

Whitby Girl Guiding Places Available for Term Three

We have places available for girls to join us at Pippins, Brownies or Guides in Term Three! Every term we do heaps of different activities to learn more about the world, help our community, explore the outdoors, and be challenged to try new things.

Pippins (5 & 6 year olds) meet Wednesday 4pm - 5pm; Contact Katrina at papakowhaipippins@gmail.com

Brownies (7 & 8 year olds) meet Monday 5.15pm - 6.45pm; Contact Beth at browniesendeavour@gmail.com

Wednesday 5.15pm - 6.45pm; Contact Katrina at browniespapakowhai@gmail.com

Thursday 5.15pm - 6.45pm; Contact Alice at browniescooks@gmail.com

Guides (9 - 12 year olds) meet Wednesday 6.30pm - 8pm; Contact Margaret at captcookguides@gmail.com

All the units meet locally in Whitby. Fees for all ages are \$90 per term. If you'd like to learn more or arrange a free visit, you can email the unit that you are interested in, or contact our Local Coordinator at ggnz.rangituhi@gmail.com, or enquire via the Girl Guiding NZ website.

Join Wonderplay's production of Alice in Wonderland!

Wonderplay has places available for kids drama in Churton Park on Tuesdays at Churton Park Community Centre; 4-5pm: Star Players (7-14 year olds). Contact Debs debs@wonderplay.co.nz 021-172-

2836, www.wonderplay.co.nz

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
FUN CLUB Holiday Programme @ Adventure School

Arty Farty Kids - Mini Holiday Art Sessions

- Thursday 6th & Friday 7th July AM - 10.00am -12.00pm - Winter Cat (ages 5 -10years)

- Thursday 6th & Friday 7th July PM - 2.00pm - 4.00pm - Pop Art (ages 10 - 14 years)

- Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th July AM - 10.00am -12.00pm - Mischief Cat (ages 5 -10years)

- Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th July PM - 2.00pm - 4.00pm - Finger Painting (ages 5 -10years)

- Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th July 2.00pm - 4.00pm - Flower Garden (ages 10 - 14 years)

ALL CLASSES ARE \$80 (Two morning or two afternoon sessions)

Helen O'Grady Drama Academy Drama Classes. For over 40 years.

Our international curriculum will help explore performance skills and creativity, overcome shyness, develop positive self esteem, grow imagination, , make new friends and have lots of fun. Fun after-school classes for 5 – 17 year olds held in Khandallah, Tawa, Whitby, Lower Hutt. To enroll or for more information please visit our www.helenogradynz.co.nz.

Porirua Libraries Holiday programme

Wednesday July 5, 10.30AM – Maumaharatanga Story Time. Bring in a memory item to show and tell us about, and listen to stories about special things that help us remember. All ages.

Friday July 7, 10.30AM – Maumaharatanga Craft Session. Create a glass jar memory lantern to brighten the path for the Māori New Year. Donations of clean glass jars welcome. Recommended for ages 5+.

Monday July 10, 10AM-12PM – Memory Galaxy. Join the ingenious roving poet Katja Starke to help create a memory galaxy, then relax under poetic stars to the music of the Harp Lady, Karen Jones. Rec for ages 5+.

Wednesday July 12, 10.30AM – Tuhinga Pikitia - Reorua storytime, waiata, and craft session for picture book lovers. All ages.

All events happen at Porirua Libraries City Centre branch Children's Library area. Parents and caregivers to remain with children at all times. We reserve the right to cancel or replace events if adverse circumstances occur. Join the Porirua Libraries Children's Chat Group on Facebook for most current details

- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PoriruaLibraryChildrensChat> - or visit <https://porirualibrary.org.nz/whats-on/>

Racketlon Holiday Programme

Once again Tawa Tennis, Tawa Squash and Wellington North Badminton are running the Racketlon holiday programme these school holidays.

Players rotate around each sport spending 1.5 hours at each club. Qualified coaches will take each session.

Please note holiday programme is for age 6 years and older.

Monday 10, Tuesday 11 and Wednesday 12 July 2023, 9am - 3pm

Cost per day: \$55 a day or \$150 for all 3 days.

Registrations: <https://bit.ly/3o9rNmW>. For more information contact Babette at babette@wnba.org.nz

Hockey School Holiday Programme for July 2023

Looking for something outdoors to keep the kids entertained these school holidays. Wellington Hockey is excited to be offering a school holiday programme This programme is designed to be fun and engaging for both kids new to hockey with no previous experience and those who already play.

The school holiday programme will be held rain or shine and led by our Development Officer, Regan Fricker.

Bring lunch and snacks, a drink bottle, a jacket, and a change of clothes in case the weather changes. Sticks and sports equipment will be available. We will make the most of our time on the turf where possible but if it is too wet or cold, we will move indoors for activities, games and movies.

Who: Children aged 5 - 12 years

Where: National Hockey Stadium, Mt Albert, Berhampore

Time: 8:30am to 3pm

When: Tuesday 4th July, Wednesday 5th July, Tuesday 11th July and 12th Wednesday

Cost: \$45 per day with a discount when booking multiple days.

Register now via player management system PlayHQ <https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/e9b3ee> . If you have any questions, please email regan@wellingtonhockey.org.nz

Staglands

A quick message to let our school community know that Staglands yummy winter marshmallows are back! For a limited period only, during the July School Holidays, we will be giving away FREE marshmallows to all visitors!

We will also be running our very popular, free Tractor-Trailer Rides (circumstances permitting).

Staglands Wildlife Reserve & Café, 2362 Akatarawa Valley, RD 2, Upper Hutt 5372, Ph +64 4 526 7529

FIFA Women's World Cup Trophy Tour

Be part of history and see the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023™ Original Trophy in

Wellington <https://www.wellingtonnz.com/experience/events/fifa-trophy-tour/> **Porirua Community Visit - Thu**

13 July: 12.30–2pm at Te Rauparaha Arena. Join Lia Lewis and Tazuni at Te Rauparaha Arena as they join Wests Football Club in some football activities. Grab a snap with the FIFA Women's World Cup™ Original Trophy.