



Adventure School

Adventure School Newsletter

No 16 – 12 October 2023

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

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Monday 16 October	Y5-8 Parumoana Rippa Rugby
Tuesday 17 October	Tōtara Stall Day 7.00: PTNi Meeting (Staffroom)
Wednesday 18 October	Rm15 Learning Conversations
Thursday 19 October	Y5-8 Parumoana Rippa Rugby pp Rm 15 Learning Conversations 5.30: BOT Meeting (Staffroom)

Featuring in this Issue -

- **Adventure's Got Talent**
- **DanceSplash Performance**
- **Mānuka Syndicate Spotlight**

For a full list of Term 4 events & dates, please refer to the **EVENT CALENDAR** towards the end of this newsletter.



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

Welcome to our new students-

Room 11: Cameron Kim, Zoe He, Jasreen Kahlon

Room 13: Arha Desai

It's great to have you join our Adventure whānau!

Welcome back to Term 4. Hopefully the holiday break has been relaxing and you've enjoyed spending time with your children. It's been great to see everyone re-engaging this week, energised and ready for a fun-filled final term.

Term 4 is jam-packed with opportunities for our children to engage in sporting events and enrich learning through EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) activities.

We are really looking forward to coming together for our many end-of-year celebrations. For a full list of events, please check the Event Calendar towards the back of this newsletter. Syndicate Newsletters will be sent out next week with information specific to your child.

As we enter Term 4, traditionally we notice children become more tired and less tolerant of each other. Please do let us know if your child is struggling or you have concerns so we can work together to support them.

DanceSplash 2023

Wow...what a performance! It was such a proud moment to sit in the audience at The Michael Fowler Centre watching our amazing Adventure dancers perform! Our dancers undoubtedly commanded the stage polished, energetic and enthusiastic. I'm so very proud of the way in which they genuinely showed their support towards performers from other schools. Tu meke Adventure!



Ngā mihi nui
Tania Cox
Principal – Tumuaki

Coming Up

School Assemblies



WHEN: 2pm - Friday 20 October

Sharing: Rms 14 & 18

You are welcome to join us!

Tōtara Stall Day

WHEN: 17 October

Dress-up: Something beginning with



Mihi Whakatau to welcome new students and whānau

Friday 20 October

•8.45: Briefing

•9.10: Mihi Whakatau begins

Please contact the office if you did not receive your invite.

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Monday 13 November

Please note, school will be CLOSED this day.

This is the second of two days allocated this year by the Government for schools to engage in professional development around the refreshed curriculum.



Keeping Our Kids Safe

Sun Hats

The wearing of school sun hats is compulsory from Labour Weekend. Hats are available for purchase at the school office.

(Please order online or contact the office directly.)





Adventure's Got Talent 2023

Finalists

Mānuka	Nīkau	Rimu	Tōtara
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Imogen Harris ➔ <i>Dancing</i> Isla Ritchie ➔ <i>Singing</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ruby Woodcock ➔ <i>Dancing</i> Grace Li ➔ <i>Piano</i> Patrick Bexley & Addison Parish ➔ <i>Dancing</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isabella Frew, Sarah Robertson, Scarlett Boyd & Siobhan Bexley ➔ <i>Dancing</i> Lars Fenemor, Maya O'Malley, Araliya Wickremasinghe & Ethan Hunt ➔ <i>Drama Skit</i> Kiera Bexley & Sienna Timmins ➔ <i>Dancing</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carmelle Cohen-Ronen ➔ <i>Piano</i> Lucas McKee, Aaron Webb, Ethan Tricker & Dermott Davidson ➔ <i>Singing</i> Sumvidh Bharadwaj ➔ <i>Magic</i> Madison Hadfield, Choe Po & Issie Squire ➔ <i>Dancing</i>

Winners

Junior Winner: Ruby Woodcock

Runners Up:

- Patrick Bexley & Addison Parish
- Isla Ritchie



Senior Winners: Lars Fenemor, Maya O'Malley, Araliya Wickremasinghe & Ethan Hunt

Runners Up:

- Carmelle Cohen-Ronen
- Sumvidh Bharadwaj





Mānuka syndicate have been replicating architects, builders, designers, inventors, and artists using construction in play.

To motivate and inspire this type of play the teachers set up provocations and led discussions about the different roles involved in construction. The role of an architect, the skills and processes they need to do their job. We looked at floorplans of houses from blueprints to 3D plans and how we could plan out what we wanted to include. We experimented with grid paper to plan our designs and list our resources. We were able to discuss our plans with colleagues (students) and make adaptations from feedback.

We discussed what an engineer does and how they need to be able to problem solve, follow set guidelines, and evaluate the process.

We shared architectural designs using famous buildings and structures around the world and discussed what different types of materials were used and their purpose. We discussed how these structures may have been built and why that was important.

We set challenges for example to build a bridge that could hold a certain weight and be stable enough for something to cross over it. The children rose to the challenge and used a variety of materials to construct bridges and then test their strength.

We made the link that construction can be created using different materials such as paper and cardboard to create both art and sturdy shapes that provide strength and stability. Through explicit modelling of skills, we provided the children the chance to practice these with a variety of materials from boxes, tubes, recycled materials, cardboard, and paper.

Many of our Adventure Way traits are portrayed throughout these photographs, of particular note - creativity, self-direction, curiosity and collaboration.

Many areas of the curriculum were integrated throughout this focus. To name a few... **Mathematics in application** being one of the main areas.

- Measurement (length, weight, and capacity) and spatial awareness in the planning of floorplans and constructing with paper, sand and materials.
- Geometrical thinking using the best shapes for stability and to provide a safe environment.
- Methodical thinking while working through the design process.

Social and Collaboration

- Working together in a team towards a joint goal
- Deciding on a goal and sticking to it
- Discussing work and providing praise and constructive feedback
- Negotiating and perseverance to return to project
- Ability to speak about my work and discuss

Science / Design

- Planning and resourcing
- Evaluating the design process
- Problem solving and making adjustments
- Trial and error approach



Congratulations!

Jacob Penno

Well done to Jacob for being awarded the Golden Boot in his first year of football. Jacob played for the U10s in the Wellington graded champs held at Endeavour Park last term.



Justin Wang

Justin Wang represented Adventure School at Wellington & Kapi Mana Primary/Intermediate School Tennis Tournament last term. Justin played in the silver division and, after losing his first game in the Silver Division, competed in the Plate. Justin then went on to win all other matches, qualifying for the finals.

An impressive result!



We are aware our children are involved in activities outside the school. We would love to celebrate and acknowledge special or personal achievements, so please do share these with us. (Email: principal@adventure.school.nz)

SPOOK-TACULAR Disco

COME DRESSED IN COSTUME!

OCTOBER 27

6:00-8:00PM | SPOT PRIZES | GAMES

\$2 ENTRY (INCLUDES A GLOW BRACELET)

BUY TICKETS ON KINDO

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

PTNI

New Date



KIDS CLOTHING GRAB

Sunday 12 November

ADVENTURE SCHOOL HALL • ARRIVE FROM 2:30 • STARTS AT 3PM

Come join us for a fun event to socialise and increase your kids' wardrobe at the same time.

CLOTHING DONATIONS

We're taking clothing donations from **now until Wednesday 8 November**

There are multiple drop off options:

- Small donations can be left in our collection box in the office during school hours.
- There will be a large box outside the garage of 19 Longitude Place that donations can be made to anytime. It's down the driveway directly across the road from school.

HOW IT WORKS

To keep things fun and fair we have 'rounds' of finding our favourite clothes. Everyone finds their five favourite things and then we take a short break. Then we find our next favourite five things and on and on until we have all had enough.

If there are two people in your family that would like to pick their favourites each round, you will need to purchase two tickets.

BYOB – Bring your own bag.

Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased online via [kindo](#) (or \$25 for door sales) and include snacks and refreshments.

Snacks generously provided by our sponsor Fleur Craig at Harcourts.



Let me help establish what your home is worth

Fleur

Harcourts
Team Group

Fleur Craig
021 244 6553





Event Calendar - Important Dates

Please be aware some details may change.



TERM FOUR

Week 2	Monday 16 October	Yr 5-8 Parumoana Rippa Rugby (pp 19 Oct)
	Tuesday 17 October	Tōtara Stall Day 7pm: PTNi committee meeting
	Wednesday 18 October	Room 15 Learning Conversations
	Thursday 19 October	9.30am: NZ Shakeout Room 15 Learning Conversations 5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Friday 20 October	9.10am: Mihi Whakatau 2pm: Assembly
Week 3	Monday 23 October	LABOUR DAY – School closed
	Wednesday 25 October	Year 5-8 Athletics (pp 3 November)
	Thursday 26 October	Tōtara Tiaki Ariki tournament Year 3-6 girls cricket tournament
	Friday 27 October	Year 7-8 girls cricket tournament 6pm: Spooktacular Disco
Week 4	Tuesday 31 October	Year 3-4 football tournament (pp 2 November)
	Wednesday 1 November	2pm: Year 0/1 Athletics (pp 8 November) Tōtara at ASB Sports Arena
Week 5	Monday 6 November	5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Friday 10 November	11am-1pm: school wide skipping 2pm: Assembly
	Sunday 12 November	NEW DATE – Spring Kids Clothing Grab
Week 6	Monday 13 November	Teacher only day – School closed 6pm: Whānau Hui
	Tuesday 14 November	Year 5-8 Parumoana Athletics (pp 16 & 21 Nov)
	Wednesday 15 November	Tōtara VN Underwater day
	Friday 17 November	Sausage sizzle tbc
Week 7	Thursday 23 November	NO Year 7-8 Technicraft at Brandon
	Friday 24 November	2pm: Assembly
Week 8	Monday 27 November	Rimu to Battle Hill (pp 30 November)
	Wednesday 29 November	Kōwhai Teddy Bear's Picnic
	Friday 1 December	Mānuka and Nīkau Athletics (pp 5 Dec) Parumoana speech competition
Week 9	Monday 4 December	5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Tuesday 5 December	Year 5-8 Regional Athletics (pp 7 December)
	Wednesday 6 December	Kōwhai & Mānuka Christmas Tree Trimming
	Friday 8 December	1.45pm: Prizegiving assembly
Week 10	Monday 11 December	Kōwhai Carol singing Nīkau to Aotea Lagoon (pp 13 December)
	Tuesday 12 December	Kōwhai skating Mānuka Nga Manu Reserve 5.45pm: Tōtara Leavers Dinner
	Thursday 14 December	Reports sent home
	Friday 15 December	Family Fun Day
Week 11	Monday 18 December * NOTE DATE CHANGE *	11am: Final/Leavers assembly 12pm: School finishes for 2023

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 – Monday 18 December

NOTE DATE CHANGE

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)
King's Birthday – Monday 5 June
Matariki – Friday 14 July (during the holidays)
Labour Day – Monday 23 October
Teacher Only Day – Monday 13 November

2024 Term Dates

Term One:	Thursday 1 February – Friday 12 April
Term Two:	Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July
Term Three:	Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September
Term Four:	Monday 14 October – 17 or 18 December (tbc)

School will be closed on the following days:

Waitangi Day – Tuesday 6 February
Easter – Friday 29 March – Tuesday 2 April
Anzac Day – Tuesday 25 April (during holidays)
King's Birthday – Monday 3 June
Matariki – Friday 28 July
Labour Day – Monday 28 October

Community Notices

KELLY SPORTS IS BACK FOR TERM 4 – SPRINT INTO SPORTS!!

Wednesday's 3.05pm – 4.05pm, starts Wednesday 18 October 2023 for 8 weeks.

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 4 we will be focusing on the following sports:

T-Ball, Athletics, Cricket and Football!

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!

To Enrol go to www.kellysports.co.nz and in the school box put "Adventure"

Junior Summer Programme for players in Years 1 to 6 (Monday/Tuesday afternoons)

Wellington Hockey's Junior Summer programme is a great opportunity for young players to try the sport for the first time or for existing players to grow their skills in a fun and inclusive environment. This programme is led by WHA Coaches and involves a combination of skill development, and small games suitable for the age and stage of the players. Exact locations will be registration-dependent.

Elsdon, Porirua - National Hockey Stadium, Newtown - Fraser Park, Lower Hutt - Maidstone Upper Hutt

The 6-week programme starts on Monday 30th October/Tuesday 31st October. The hour-long sessions start at 4pm. Entries close: Tuesday 24th October.

An individual registration fee of \$45 is due at registration.

<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/b9182c>

Year 7/8 Twilight Competition (Monday Evenings)

The competition is for years 7/8 players and is suitable for experienced hockey players or those new to the sport. It is a 6-week league and starts on Monday 30th October. The last game will be played on December 4, 2023. Teams can be school-based teams or just a group of friends.

Locations are Elsdon, Fraser Park and the National Hockey Stadium, Newtown. These locations are registration dependent.

It is a 6-a-side competition with one game per night 2x20 mins with 5 mins break on half turf. The earliest game will start time 5.00 p.m. and teams will need to provide their own umpires.

A team registration fee of \$90 is due at registration. Entries close: Tuesday 24th October.

<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/e1f15e>

BigAir Gym Sports

If your child loves doing cartwheels, handstands, trampolining, flips, dancing, or parkour, then they will thrive at Bigair Gym! Bigair Gym classes are excellent for fun, focus and fitness! Children learn new skills and develop personal confidence and self-achievement! Strong focus is given to safety and technique, ranging from fundamentals to advanced skills. The structured classes follow a Bigair Badge Programme, which creates focused learning, and allows children to achieve and feel personal progression! Bigair classes include GYMNASTICS, TRAMPOLINING, TUMBLING, FREE RUNNING (that's parkour with flips) & CHEERLEADING! Inquire about Bigair BIRTHDAY PARTIES too!

GET IN QUICK FOR TERM 4 GYM CLASSES! Book NOW. Book online at www.bigairgym.co.nz or contact your local Bigair Gym office today. Bigair Gym Tawa ph. 232 3508 e. office@bigairgym.co.nz

Girls, are you keen to have a go at Football?

Introducing Western Suburbs Fantail Hub!

Fantails is a program put together by New Zealand Football as an entry level football program aimed specifically at girls aged 6-12 years old to come and play in a fun relaxed atmosphere.

Our sessions introduce young females to the beautiful game of football, with a focus on helping girls make friends, having fun, improving their skills and being active.

To find out more and register go to <https://westernsuburbs.co.nz/wests-fantails>