



Adventure School

Adventure School Newsletter

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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

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Friday 31 May	SCHOOL CLOSED: Teacher Only Day
Monday 3 June	SCHOOL CLOSED: King's Birthday
Wednesday 5 June	Opera in Schools Show (Whole school)
Thursday 6 June	Parumoana Cross Country
	Nikau Swimming
Friday 7 June	2.00: School Assembly
Sunday 9 June	Tōtara Car Boot Sale (bottom court/ hall)
Monday 10 June	5.30: BOT Meeting
Tuesday 11 June	Parumoana X-Country postponement
Wednesday 12 June	Parumoana X-Country postponement 2

Featuring in this Issue –

- Term 3 School Production
- Staffing Update
- Cross-Country Results
- PINK Shirt Day
- Rimu Spot
- Tough Guy n' Gal



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, привет, Hello!

Talofa lava! Vaiaso o le Gagana Sāmoa - Samoan Language Week

Congratulations to our Poly Club for their fabulous Sasa performance at assembly last Friday!

Many years ago, school productions were an exciting and much look forward to event at Adventure.

I am very excited to share, in Term 3, we will be presenting our first school production in over 10 years!

The production will involve **every year 3-8** student in the school on the stage, acting, singing, and dancing with a script specially written for our Adventure talent as well as stage lighting, microphones, costumes, makeup...the works!

There will be opportunities for parent involvement with designing, painting and constructing set, scenery and props, as well as costume-making. More information will be sent out in the coming weeks.



Our Tentative Performance Dates will be:

Wednesday 18 September – 11am & 7pm

Thursday 19 September – 7pm





Staffing Update

I am delighted to announce we have appointed Keegan Martin as our new Room 16 teacher. Keegan comes to us with a passion for teaching and a wealth of experience. Keegan is very much looking forward to coming in to meet his class prior to starting in Week 9 of this term.

Principal's Awhi Award

CONGRATULATIONS

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.



Bear Draper, Riddick Rautenbach, Mireya Roche, Addison Draper, Arha Desai, Mason Stephenson, Chelsea Chhim, Rocco de Graaff, Addison Golder



Ngā mihi nui
Tania Cox
Principal – Tumuaki



Despite the somewhat dismal weather for much of the morning, the children did a wonderful job at putting their very best effort into their races. Thanks to those of you who were able to come along to support - it was great to see you.

Here are the top 5 placegetters in each year group.

Certificates will be awarded to the **first 3** placegetters in each year group at our next Friday assembly.

Yrs 1 & 2 RESULTS

YEAR 1 Boys									
1 st	Jaba Mubea	1 st	Spencer Pickering	3 rd	Walker Nicol	4 th	Eli Forsyth	5 th	Elliot Derwin
YEAR 1 Girls									
1 st	Olivia Coburn	2 nd	Georgia McKee	3 rd	Sofia Lavin	4 th	Hadleigh Jimmieson	5 th	Loretta Tausilia
YEAR 2 Boys									
1 st	Erich Koekemoer	2 nd	Nawaf Alasqah	3 rd	Archie Tovey	4 th	Robbie Marshall	5 th	Mason Stephenson
YEAR 2 Girls									
1 st	Orla Dillon	2 nd	Wambui Mubea	3 rd	Evie Brown	4 th	Sasha Eastham	5 th	Annebelle Olivier

Yrs 3 & 4 RESULTS

YEAR 3 Boys									
1 st	Jack Griffiths	2 nd	Steven Harrauld	3 rd	Louie Zhang	4 th	Hunter Penney	5 th	Kaden Fellows
YEAR 3 Girls									
1 st	Ashley Gibbons	2 nd	Ella Gibbons	3 rd	Aviana Donaldson	4 th	Isla Fleming	5 th	Fern Bailey
YEAR 4 Boys									
1 st	Lawrence Hanify	2 nd	Max Jorgensen	3 rd	Finn Sutton	4 th	Dylan Rowe	5 th	Ryan Grant-Fargie
YEAR 4 Girls									
1 st	Indigo Eastham	2 nd	Eloise Chandler	3 rd	Quinn Spalding	4 th	Isla Ritchie	5 th	Ruby Woodcock

Yrs 5 & 6 RESULTS

YEAR 5 Boys									
1 st	Brody Burrows	2 nd	James Glass	3 rd	Jackson Paul	4 th	Charlie Marsh	5 th	Joey Marshall
YEAR 5 Girls									
1 st	Maisie Forsyth	2 nd	Jessica Harrauld	3 rd	Stephanie Abaniel	4 th	Jorja Tierney	5 th	Addison Parish
YEAR 6 Boys									
1 st	Jacob Penno	2 nd	Hugo Banner	3 rd	Finley Dredge	4 th	Alex Arbidans	5 th	Rocco de Graaff
YEAR 6 Girls									
1 st	Annie Van Son	2 nd	Scarlett Gibbons	3 rd	Layla Jones	4 th	Kelsey Cotter	5 th	Keira Bexley

Yrs 7 & 8 RESULTS

YEAR 7 Boys									
1 st	Lennox Manase	2 nd	Adrian Ah Sam	3 rd	Conor Dillon	4 th	Spencer Bush	5 th	Cameron Tierney
YEAR 7 Girls									
1 st	Ashlyn Van Niekerk	2 nd	Skye Ashby	3 rd	Jennie Park	4 th	Lavinia Scobie	5 th	Layla Starr
YEAR 8 Boys									
1 st	Charlie Scott	2 nd	Kody Cotter	3 rd	Caleb Bloomfield	4 th	Dermott Davidson	5 th	Lucas McKee
YEAR 8 Girls									
1 st	Poppy Dickson	2 nd	Cara Johnstone	3 rd	Chloe Po	4 th	Alexis Gilbert	5 th	Freya Chandler





PINK SHIRT DAY



Thank you for your tremendous support!
Your gold coin donations helped raise over \$500

Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora!
Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying





The Universe visits Rimu!

The Spaceward Bound's one-of-a-kind, portable planetarium visited our Rimu Syndicate on Monday. Our students were immersed in awe-inspiring sights of Mars, gazed upon the International Space Station and the myriad of satellites that dot our skies.

Real space scientists, Sam and Hari, captivated their audience and their love for science was clear - working hard to encourage our students to pursue a career in this area! Sam, an experienced pilot with 24 years in the NZ Air Force and a Master's degree in Astrophysics, together with Hari, an astrobiologist who worked for NASA, are scientists passionate about sparking curiosity and fostering a love for the universe's mysteries.



Akonga were able to experiment with their Mars Rovers, learning how to control and move around complex terrain. They had an opportunity to simulate how a rover is really driven on Mars by planning a route, sending the driving commands to the rover and then watching what happens!



Our time in the Space Dome has definitely sparked curiosity for our learners and we are excited to continue our learning journey...to infinity and beyond!

Coming Up

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Friday 31 May

Please note, school will be CLOSED this day.

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

Please Note: There will be two Teacher Only Days in Term 4 for curriculum development and planning for 2025. Friday 25 October & Friday 6 December



WHEN: Friday 7 June - 2pm
WHERE: The Hall
HOSTED BY: Head Boy & Head Girl
BUDDY CLASS Item: Room 8 & 18



SCHOOL POLICIES

Adventure School uses SchoolDocs to maintain a comprehensive, up-to-date set of policies and procedures.

Our SchoolDocs policies can be accessed through the school website under the "Our School" tab.

Reviews

- All school policies are reviewed on a three-year cycle, with some policies reviewed each term.
- Reviews are open to board, staff, and the school community.

2024 Reviews

- All schools will review the Legislation and Administration section and the Curriculum and Student Achievement throughout the year.
- Anyone in our school community can review any policy/procedure that has a red, review flag. (The board has some policies they must focus on.)
- If you would like to give feedback on the following policies, log in to SchoolDocs and follow the review instructions.

TERM TWO

- Equal Employment Opportunities
- Teacher Relief Cover
- Police Vetting
- Classroom Release Time

TŌTARA CAR BOOT & GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER

Many thanks for the donations we have received so far.

We are still in need of goods so please keep them coming in. (Tōtara Hub)

In particular we are needing

- small pieces of furniture
- non-electric / electronic items
- quality books

Tōtara teachers are busily washing unclaimed school uniform items to be sold on the day.

We are still in need of volunteers on the day and there are also a few car boot spaces available. Please email Mark Hughes (mhughes@adventure.school.nz) for further information.

Adventure School **CARBOOT AND GARAGE SALE**



Trash and treasure you may need!

**Sunday the 9th of June
9am - 1pm**

18 Longitude Place, Whitby, Porirua

**Sausage Sizzle, Coffee Cart
Gold coin donation for in school parking**

Tough Guy n' Gai

Adventure had 10 students participate in TG&G in Palmerston North, following the cancellation at Camp Wainui: Conor Dillon, Frank Lunn, Declan Farrell, Mac Thomas, Michael Atkinson, Lilly Meachen, Lauren Brander, Carla Bruwer, Ethan Hunt and Maya O'Malley. The weather was pretty dismal with quite a bit of rain, which added to the muddy fun! All our students "survived", with Conor & Frank placing 3rd & 4th respectively. Despite an unfamiliar course & such a small number of Adventure kids, we're all glad we made the trek up to the Manawatu to represent our school. It was an awesome day!

Lisa Thomas (parent)





Event Calendar - Important Dates

Please be aware some details may change.



TERM TWO		
Week 5	Thursday 30 May	Nikau swimming
	Friday 31 May	Teacher Only Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
Week 6	Monday 3 June	Kings Birthday – SCHOOL CLOSED
	Wednesday 5 June	Opera in Schools
	Thursday 6 June	Nikau swimming Parumoana Cross Country (pp 11 & 13 June)
	Friday 7 June	2pm: Assembly
	Sunday 9 June	Car Boot and Garage Sale
Week 7	Monday 10 June	5.30pm: BOT meeting
	Thursday 13 June	Nikau swimming
	Friday 14 June	Nikau Bake Sale 5–7pm Disco
Week 8	Thursday 20 June	Nikau swimming
	Friday 21 June	Sausage sizzle 2pm: Assembly & Matariki launch
	Friday 21 – Sunday 23 June	40 Hour Famine
Week 9	Thursday 27 June	Nikau swimming 2pm: Matariki Sharing assembly
	Friday 28 June	Matariki – SCHOOL CLOSED
Week 10	Monday 1 July	5.30pm: BOT meeting
	Thursday 4 July	Nikau swimming Tōtara Formal dance
	Friday 5 July	2pm: Assembly 3pm: Term 2 finishes

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 – 18 December

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)
 Teacher Only Day – Friday 31 May
 King's Birthday – Monday 3 June
 Matariki – Friday 28 June
 Teacher Only Day – Friday 25 October
 Labour Day – Monday 28 October
 Teacher Only Day – Friday 6 December

Community Notices

Plimmerton Kindergarten Mid Winter Dip – Sunday 16 June

11am – 1pm at Karehana Bay

BBQ Kai, Bake Sale, Costume Comp, Big Dig, Raffle, Silent Auction, Spot Prizes for Dippers

Porirua Has Talent celebrates everything that's awesome about tamariki and rangatahi in our fabulous city.

Entering is an opportunity for our young people to shine. We know that there's heaps of talent in our community – we just need to uncover it.

Please encourage tamariki and rangatahi to get involved by registering and auditioning.

There are four categories –

- Vocals, Dance, Variety and Groups
- These categories are split into two different age bands; tamariki aged 12 years and under and rangatahi aged between 13 and 25 years.

Auditions are being held in the July school holidays and if you can't make it along in-person – online auditions are also available.

The quarter, semi and grand finals will be held in August and September with more information available at www.poriruahastalent.nz.

We've had amazing support from some wonderful sponsors to ensure there will be fabulous prizes on offer for the winners.

Places are limited so register now at www.poriruahastalent.nz. Registrations close Friday 14th June 2024.

Entry is by gold coin or donating a tin to the Porirua Women and Family Centre.

Join a Western Suburbs football team!!

We are looking for enthusiastic young football players born in 2012 to join a Western Suburbs team short of players. If your child is keen to play this year and become part of a dynamic and supportive team, we'd love to hear from you!

Dan Heath Grade 12 convenor, phone - 021 849745, email - 2012wests@gmail.com

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity for your child to develop their football skills and make new friends. Get in touch with Dan Heath today!

We are hosting a ***Raising Body Confident Kids in the Digital Age*** workshop with Emma Wright for our community on 19th of June. We hope you can attend this important event.

You may have heard Emma interviewed by Jesse Mulligan on RNZ or seen her in The Herald, talking about her recently published book *Body Confident: a Guide to Raising Happy Eaters*. She holds a Master's Degree, is well researched and has lived experience with disordered eating.

Given that 80% of teens report body image as one of their biggest barriers to participating in sports and social activities, this is a must-attend workshop for parents of younger kids. This workshop will arm you with practical tools and strategies to help your child's overall well-being by building resilience to damaging messages and developing a healthy relationship with their body.

Workshop details:

- What: Raising Body-Confident Kids in the Digital Age
- When: 19 June, 11 am -1 PM
- Who: Parents, teachers and sports coaches
- Where: Porirua Women & Family Centre
- 9 Lydney Place South, Porirua

Admission: Free

Please RSVP to reserve your seat by emailing reception@pwfc.org.nz

Aotea College is looking for host families for a short stay group from Japan visiting from July 20th to July 29th. Male Students from Takanawa High in Tokyo.

Why host?

Hosting a student is an enriching experience for both yourselves and the student. You'll experience a true cultural exchange, sharing knowledge of your culture whilst learning about the many different cultures represented by our students. Often host families build lasting relationships with their students

What is expected from host families?

- Involve their student in their life, spend time talking with their students to give them confidence speaking in English and treat them as a member of the family.
- Be caring and understanding, patient but able to set boundaries
- Show their students how to get to and from school (e.g. where the bus stop is, how to access the bus schedule, how to walk to school).
- Provide three meals a day and snacks (including a packed lunch during the school week).
- Provide a furnished bedroom
- Provide bed linen (sheets, pillow, and blankets) and towels
- Provide wifi

What we provide

Aotea College has a well-resourced International Department, with a Homestay Co-ordinator who is able to provide you with advice and support.

Homestay families are paid a weekly fee of \$320.

For more information about hosting a student please check

out: international.aotea.school.nz/homestay or email cox@aotea.school.nz

Tricia Cox,

International Director, Aotea College

Starship Big Bake Off

Monroe Lashes is excited to announce our upcoming fundraiser in support of the Starship Foundation, and we're reaching out to local schools like yours for support.

Our Facebook Event details: <https://www.facebook.com/events/769674348626835/>

Mark your calendars for:

- Saturday, June 22nd, from 11 am to 2 pm
- Sunday, June 23rd, from 11 am to 2 pm

Venue: Sushil's Musclechef Kitchen and Café 27 Aotea Drive, Aotea, Porirua 5024

We're offering four meaningful ways for you to support this cause:

1. **Donate Cupcakes:** We want to invite school kids to get involved by making or donating cupcakes to be sold on the fundraiser day. Please use the following Google Docs form to inform us of the amount of cupcakes you would like to donate: [Cupcake Donation Form](#).
2. **Purchase Cupcakes:** Join us on the sale days and satisfy your sweet tooth guilt-free by purchasing delicious cupcakes.
3. **Direct Donation:** Can't make it to the sale? You can still contribute directly by clicking on the donation link and donating on our fundraiser page: [Direct Donation Link](#).
4. **Choose Multiple Options:** Feel free to mix and match! You can support the cause by donating cupcakes, purchasing cupcakes on the sale days, and making a direct donation.

Delivery Details: Cupcakes should be delivered by June 21st to 31 Sumner Terrace, Aotea. Please ensure cupcakes are securely packaged for easy transportation on the sale day. Label packaging with any dietary specifications.

Thank you for considering supporting our fundraiser.