



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 DATES

Friday 13 June	2pm: School Assembly (Rms 21 + 15) +(Cross-country certificates: top 3 in each year group) 5-7: Matariki Disco 40 hr Challenge
Tuesday 17 June	10.15: Pasifika Tamaiti Kāhui Ako Day Kāpiti College Open Day
Wednesday 18 June	11am: Puppet Show (Year 2)
Thursday 19 June	1.30-2.30: Yrs 3-8 Java Dance Workshop (no cost)
Friday 20 June	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED:</b> Matariki Public Holiday
Monday 23 June	Whole School Matariki Activity Day
Friday 27 June	Last day of Term 2 Sausage Sizzle 2pm: School Assembly (Rms 1 + 27)

## Featuring

- **STRIKE Performance**
- **Reports & Learning Conversations**
- **AIMS Games – Netball team off to Tauranga!**
- **Sneak Preview – our first mural**
- **Spotlight on Nikau Syndicate**
- **Parumoana Cross-Country**

*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,  
Assalaam alaikum, Hello!*



**Welcome to our new students-**

**KŌWHAI**

Arthur Radice and Misha Gild

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



Kia ora e te whānau

What a sudden shift in the weather we've had! With the colder mornings now here, a reminder that children should not arrive at school before the gates open at 8:30am, as there is no shelter or supervision available before this time. For families who need an earlier drop-off, you may like to consider Before School Care as an option. ([office@asfc.co.nz](mailto:office@asfc.co.nz))

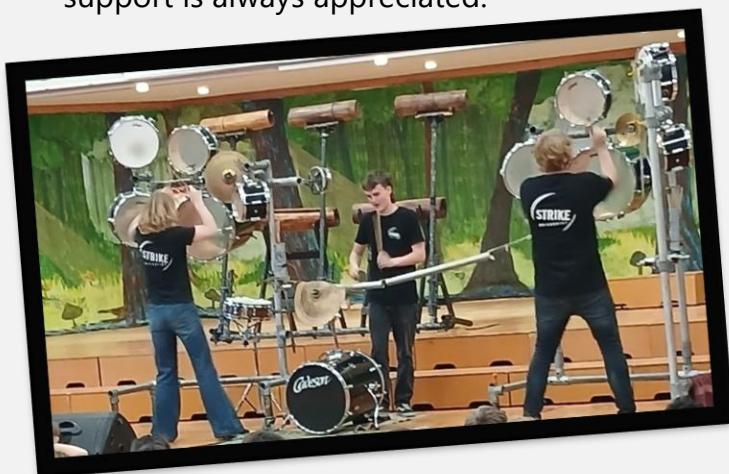
I would like to acknowledge how difficult Teacher Only Days can be for working parents and caregivers, so thank you for your support with our recent Maths Curriculum Day. This professional development was a valuable opportunity for our teachers to strengthen their understanding of the new maths curriculum and better support student learning.

## Strike Performance

What an inspiring and unforgettable performance from STRIKE! The energy was electric, the talent on display was phenomenal, and the children were completely captivated from start to finish. A few even had the thrill of joining in on the Pasifika drums, adding to an already uplifting and truly memorable experience for everyone involved.

We do understand that contributing to the cost of events can be a challenge for families, and we work hard to find cost-free experiences as much as possible. Unfortunately, in this instance, the low number of contributions has left the school covering a shortfall of \$1,500. Regrettably, this means we will need to reconsider offering experiences like this in the future, as they are not financially sustainable without adequate support.

If you would still like to contribute, payments can be made via HERO, cash or EFTPOS. Your support is always appreciated.



## Family Holidays During Term Time

Just a reminder, in line with Ministry of Education requirements, communications about your children being away from school for family holidays during the school term, need to be sent directly to [principal@adventure.school.nz](mailto:principal@adventure.school.nz) . I really appreciate your support with this.

## Interim Reports – Learning Conversations

Report Sharing and Learning Conversations will take place in Term 3.

You will be aware that teachers are currently working through a period of change as the refreshed New Zealand Curriculum is being implemented. At Adventure, we are fortunate that many of the concepts and approaches are already well embedded in our practice.

Our teachers are currently focusing on deepening their knowledge of the extensive content in Mathematics and Literacy for each year level.

*Please note that the Year 7/8 Refreshed Curriculum for English is still in draft and won't be available for implementation until 2026. As a result, reporting in literacy for our Tōtara Syndicate will continue to be based on the old curriculum this year.*

We remain committed to providing high-quality learning opportunities and clear reporting that reflects each child's progress and next steps. To support this, we have taken the necessary time to carefully navigate the refreshed curriculum and align our reporting through HERO.

### Reporting Timeline

#### Term 3

**Week 3 Monday:** Learning Conversation bookings open in HERO

**Week 5 Monday:** Reports will be shared digitally via HERO

**Week 5 Wednesday & Thursday:** Learning Conversations

**More information will be shared in upcoming newsletters.**

## AIMS Games – Netball Team Heading to Tauranga!

We're excited to have our first Adventure netball team representing us at the AIMS Games in Tauranga this year! This national tournament, held over a week in Term 3, brings together thousands of intermediate-aged athletes from all over New Zealand to compete in a range of sports. A huge thank you to Stacey Roche for steering this fantastic opportunity for our students.

If you're down at the Ngati Toa netball courts this Saturday, be sure to support the team's sausage sizzle fundraiser. (sausages, bacon butties, baking, lollies, drinks and 3 amazing raffles)

**Every item sold helps get them to Tauranga!**





## Mural Update

In case you haven't been into school recently, work is almost complete on Adventure's very first mural! Designed and painted by the incredibly talented local teacher and artist, Margaret Tolland, the mural was started on our recent Curriculum Day. Earlier this week, some of our fabulous young Tamariki had the opportunity to collaborate with Margaret - a wonderful opportunity to contribute to the mural and also develop their painting techniques!



Ngā mihi nui  
Tania Cox  
Principal – Tumuaki



**Rimu Bake Sale**



You helped up raise **\$2 000** towards our EOTC!

**Coming Up**

## Whole School Assembly

**WHEN:** 2pm - Friday 13 June

**Featuring Buddy Classes:** Rms 15 & 21

+ School Cross Country Certificates (Top 3 in each year group)

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

JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED

# Matariki DISCO

**FRIDAY 13 JUNE**

**5:00-7:00PM**  
ADVENTURE SCHOOL HALL

**\$2 ENTRY**  
INCLUDES A GLOW ITEM ON ARRIVAL!

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

PTNi





# NĪKAU NEWSLETTER

## SPACE INQUIRY

Our space inquiry began with an exploration of planet Earth, helping us understand our place in the universe. From there, we have journeyed through the solar system, learning about the sun, the moon and the other planets. Along the way, we have written imaginative stories and informative reports. We also expressed our learning through creative art projects and hands-on activities, including making our very own moon sand.



### “MY LIFE AS A STAR”

Toby Hyde

I am a little teeny star with dust and gas around me. I am going to be a big star. I can feel myself growing bigger, as I live my life.

The dust and gas started to lift me up. I did not know what was happening to me, but soon I knew what was happening, I was a big star now! This is great.

In almost 100000 days it is going to be my supernova, I am excited. I am turning into a red giant but only for one hour, being bright turning in the galaxy.

Today is the day, it's my supernova. Kaboom I went! I am making new baby stars, to make more magnificent stars, that will make more supernovas.

### A Day in My Life - by The Sun

Hi! I am the sun. I shine on you every day. I am made out of helium and hydrogen. You need me for good reasons: 1 for life, 2 for light and 3 for helping the plants. I am in the middle of your solar system.

My sun rays can cause you to have a bad burn. I feel bad when I get hot so you need to wear a hat and sunscreen.

At the end of the day I say goodbye and you spin away from me so I can shine on the other side of you.

By Noah

## TĪ RĀKAU & TĪ TŌREA





We're incredibly proud of our 50 runners who gave their all at the recent Parumoana Cross Country competition. For the fourth year in a row Adventure won many year-group trophies and, out of 11 schools, came first overall.

A special congratulations to the students who achieved top 10 placings - what an outstanding effort! These runners will now go on to represent Parumoana at the Regionals in Upper Hutt on Tuesday, 24 June.

Year 4 Girls	Ashley Gibbons - 6th Ella Gibbons - 8th	Year 4 Boys	Jack Griffiths - 3rd Steven Harrald - 8th
Year 5 Girls	Indigo Eastham - 1st Ruby Woodcock - 2nd Quinn Spalding - 7th	Year 5 Boys	Lawrence Hanify - 3rd
Year 6 Girls	Maisie Forsyth - 4th Jessica Harrald - 8th	Year 6 Boys	Brodie Burrows - 1st Conor Fellows - 6th James Glass - 8th Oliver Griffiths - 9th
Year 7 Girls	Annie Van Son - 2nd Layla Jones - 8th	Year 7 Boys	Finley Dredge - 3rd Hugo Banner - 4th
Year 8 Boys	Lennox Manase - 1st Spencer Bush - 4th Conor Dillon - 5th Jackson Woodcock - 9th	<b>TROPHIES</b> Overall Winner     Year 5 Girls Year 6 Boys     Year 7 Boys (shared with Discovery) Year 8 Boys	







## Event Calendar - Important Dates

Please be aware some details may change.



### TERM TWO

Week 7	Friday 13 June	2pm: Assembly – Rooms 21 & 15 5-7pm: Matariki Disco
	Friday 13-Sunday 15 June	40 Hour Challenge
Week 8	Tuesday 17 June	10.15am: Pasifika Tamaititi Kāhui Ako Day Kāpiti College Open Day
	Wednesday 18 June	Kōwhiri Year 2 Puppet Show
	Thursday 19 June	1.30-2.30pm: Yrs 3-8 Java Dance workshop
	Friday 20 June	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED: Matariki Public Holiday</b>
Week 9	Tuesday 24 June	Regional Cross Country
	Friday 27 June	PTNI Sausage Sizzle 2pm: Assembly Last day of Term 2

### TERM THREE

Week 1	Monday 14 July	9.10am: Mihi Whakatau
	Wednesday 16 July	9-1pm: Tōtara Science Fair
Week 2	Tuesday 22 July	7pm: PTNI meeting
Week 3	Friday 1 August	Year 2 & Nīkau swimming starts 2pm: Assembly
	Sunday 2 August	PTNI Clothing Grab
Week 4	Friday 8 August	Year 2 & Nīkau swimming
Week 5	Monday 11 August	5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Tuesday 12 August	Nīkau Move & Groove
	Wednesday 13 August	Learning Conversations
	Thursday 14 August	Learning Conversations
	Friday 15 August	Year 2 & Nīkau swimming 2pm: Assembly
Week 6	Tuesday 19 August	Mathswell Competition Yrs 5-8 Yr 5-6 Parumoana Swimming Sports
	Wednesday 20 August	Yr 7-8 Parumoana Swimming Sports
	Friday 22 August	Year 2 & Nīkau swimming
Week 7	Monday 25 August	12-1.45pm: Choir rehearsal 7.30pm: Artsplash Choir performance
	Friday 29 August	Year 2 & Nīkau swimming 2pm: Assembly
Week 8	Monday 1 September	5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Thursday 4 September	Yr 5/6 Science Roadshow
	Friday 5 September	Year 2 & Nīkau swimming
Week 9	Tuesday 9 September	Tōtara Stall Day
	Friday 12 September	Year 2 & Nīkau swimming 2pm: Assembly
Week 10	Monday 15 September	Yrs 3-6 Girls Futsal
	Friday 19 September	Year 2 & Nīkau swimming End of Term 3



## 2025 Term Dates

<b>Term One:</b>	Tuesday 4 February – Friday 11 April <b>School Closed:</b> Monday 10 March – Maths Curriculum Day
<b>Term Two:</b>	Monday 28 April – Friday 27 June <b>School Closed:</b> Tuesday 3 June – Maths Curriculum Day
<b>Term Three:</b>	Monday 14 July – Friday 19 September
<b>Term Four:</b>	Monday 6 October – Wednesday 17 December

### **School will be closed for the following Public Holidays-**

**Waitangi Day** – Thursday 6 February  
**Easter** – Friday 18 April – Tuesday 22 April (during holidays)  
**Anzac Day** – Friday 25 April (during holidays)  
**King's Birthday** – Monday 2 June  
**Matariki** – Friday 20 June  
**Labour Day** – Monday 27 October

## Community Notices



**TAWA SQUASH**  
**MATARIKI WEEKEND**  
 SPECIAL MATARIKI MATARIKI WEEKEND  
**FREE OPEN DAYS**  
 SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE & SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> JUNE  
 1-4pm  
 67 MAIN ROAD TAWA  
 NON MARKING SHOES ARE NEEDED, ALL OTHER GEAR PROVIDED  
**50% OFF FIRST 3 MONTHS MEMBERSHIP**  
 CONTACT 0276 778 274



**CATEGORIES**  
 VOCAL/MUSICIAN | DANCE | GROUPS  
**FREE for TAMARIKI**  
**FREE for RANGATAHI**  
**PORIRUA HAS TALENT 2025**  
**AUDITIONS**  
 SAT 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY  
 Performing Arts Room - Pātaka, Porirua  
**FINALS**  
 SAT 16<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST  
 Te Rauparāia Arena - NZCT Stadium  
 VISIT OUR SOCIALS FOR MORE INFO  
 www.poriruahastalent.nz  
 TO REGISTER TO AUDITION OR GET TICKETS TO THE FINALS!



**Would your child like to try a uniquely kiwi sport?**

SWIS Marching Team is starting a social marching team for primary aged children. Marching was created in NZ. It is a team sport that combines coordination and choreography with discipline and camaraderie.

We are running a **FREE** give-it-a-go programme during Term 2 so that children can have time to enjoy marching before signing up for a season.

We will provide all the information to parents about marching and answer all questions.

**The details**  
**Term:** Term 2, 30 April 2025 to 25 June 2025  
**Days:** Wednesdays  
**Time:** 4.45 PM – 5.45 PM  
**Location:** Mungavin Netball Courts Pavillion, Porirua

Contact us to register:  
[swismarching@gmail.com](mailto:swismarching@gmail.com)  
 027 362 5683  
 f SWIS Marching Team

# School Holiday Activities

ADVENTURE AFTER SCHOOL FUN CLUB JULY 2025 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME ACTIVITY SCHEDULE				
<b>MON 30 JUNE</b> <b>CHIPMUNKS</b> The ultimate fun indoor playground \$19.50 Event Day  Please wear socks	<b>TUES 1 JULY</b> <b>BALLOON MANIA</b> Have a go at transforming a simple balloon into a lively zoo of colourful, whimsical creatures that spark joy and wonder in everyone who sees them 	<b>WED 2 JULY</b> <b>WELLYPUTT</b> Wellington's most epic mini golf experience! Featuring 16-holes of jaw-dropping mechanics, unique hands-on gameplay \$19.50 Event Day 	<b>THUR 3 JULY</b> <b>WAFFLEMANIA</b> How will you make your mouthwatering waffles? 	<b>FRI 4 JULY</b> <b>MOVE "HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON"</b> \$19.50 Event Day 
<b>MON 7 JULY</b> <b>SUPERHERO DAY</b> Enter the Dress up competition as your favourite Hero if you wish, today is all about all things superhero 	<b>TUES 8 JULY</b> <b>TEN PIN BOWLING</b> Ready to roll? Discover the excitement of tenpin bowling! Enjoy a fun time knocking down those pins \$19.50 Event Day 	<b>WED 9 JULY</b> <b>KILBERRIE RECREATION CENTRE</b> Premier destination for skating, biding, basketball, and hockey \$19.50 Event Day 	<b>THUR 10 JULY</b> <b>LOLLIECAKE</b> Learn to make Lollie cake - Omg - Lollies and Cake together what a treat!!! 	<b>FRI 11 JULY</b> <b>MADAGASCAR SHOW</b> Step into the wild with Madagascar: The Musical - an adrenaline-pocked extravaganza that brings your favourite animated characters to life on stage! \$19.50 Event Day 

LOCATION: Adventure School  
 ONLINE BOOKINGS: [www.asfc.co.nz](http://www.asfc.co.nz) EMAIL: [office@asfc.co.nz](mailto:office@asfc.co.nz)

**WINTER**  
 School holiday classes!  
 2025  
[rosengracetutoring@gmail.com](mailto:rosengracetutoring@gmail.com)

**MATARIKI LANTERNS.**  
 CREATE COLOURFUL MATARIKI LANTERNS AND LET THE LIGHT GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE NIGHT.  
 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY, WEDNESDAY. 1PM-3PM.

**SNOW BALL RICE CRISPY TREATS.**  
 BAKE RICE CRISPY SNOWBALLS SPRINKLED IN WINTER JOY.  
 8<sup>TH</sup> JULY, TUESDAY. 1PM-3PM.

Hot Chocolate, Biscuits and Marshmallow treats provided for break time.

**SOCK SNOWMEN.**  
 CRAFT A COZY SNOWMAN FRIEND AND PERSONALISE THEM TO THE MAX!!  
 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, MONDAY. 1PM-3PM.

**MAKE YOUR OWN SNOW GLOBE MASTERPIECE!**  
 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY, FRIDAY. 1PM-3PM.

**SNOWFLAKE WEAVING.**  
 WEAVE A BEAUTIFUL SNOWFLAKE TO HANG AND DISPLAY IN YOUR BEDROOM WINDOW!  
 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY, THURSDAY. 1PM-3PM.

**KIDS VS COACHES HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**  
 OSCAR  
 KILBERRIE RECREATION CENTRE  
[www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz)

Kelly Sports is back for the July Holiday Programme!

We have another action-packed programme at Porirua's best sports-based Holiday Programme at Ngatitua Domain.

Come and join Connor E and the Kelly Sports coaches for the best in sports fun.

We have some exciting days planned including:  
 Football Fever, Sports Mash Up Day, Rad Rackets Day, Kids VS Coaches Day, Super Hero Sports, Games of the Pacific, Ripa World Cup Day, Power Play Day plus a trip to play Ten Pin Bowling and the Porirua Fire Service is coming to Kelly sports plus we will have the Bouncy Castle and Football arena - its going to be action packed!!

This sports-based holiday programme will give your child/ren the opportunity to try different sports, learn new skills, build their self-confidence, and most importantly have a huge amount of FUN.

Your child can expect high energy, all-inclusive games and activities to keep them entertained and engaged for however long they are staying!

To enrol go to [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) email [admin@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:admin@kellysports.co.nz) or call 021 972 728

July School Holidays Programme 2025

## Lights, Camera, Action!

### Furious Filmmaking!

Wednesday 2 July, 1-2pm

Calling all film fanatics!

- Have you ever thought about entering the 48-hour film festival but didn't know where to start?
- Do you fancy yourself a writer, makeup artist or perhaps a bit of an editor?
- Do you and your friends like making films, Instagram reels or YouTube videos?



Photo credit: Erik Threl

It takes all sorts of people to bring a film to life - why not be one of them!

Join Richard Falkner, previous 48-hour film festival Grand National Champion, to learn about why the 48-hour film festival is such a great tool for young filmmakers. Attendees will also have the chance to ask questions and get insights from a champion!

Come learn all about this furious filmmaking festival and perhaps start the process of putting a crew together for the competition this August! Recommended for children aged 12+.

Where: City Centre Library, 17 Parumoana Street, Porirua

→ We would love to have you join us! To secure your spot RSVP to [taylor.smith@porirua.govt.nz](mailto:taylor.smith@porirua.govt.nz)