

Newsletter Term 2

Wk 4 2023



Important Dates

Term 2

22 May	Year7/8 students immunisation
1 June	School Disco
5 June	King's Birthday
28 June	Production
30 June	Last day of the term

Term 3 Starts on the 17th of July

 PĀUATAHANUI SCHOOL Term Dates 2023
Term 1 Wed 1 Feb – Thur 6 April
Term 2 Mon 24 April – Fri 30 June
Term 3 Mon 17 Jul – Fri 22 Sept
Term 4 Mon 9 Oct – Mon 18 Dec
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Sports Calendar

Term 2		
Weeks 1-10	Ngatitoa Netball	Every Saturday starts on 29th April
Week 5	Pauatahanui School Cross Country - whole school event	23rd May
Week 5	Tough Guy and Gal - Mud Run	Wednesday 24th May 2023 8:00am and Thursday 25th May 2023 8:00am (we are encouraging families to register for Thursday)
Week 7	Parumoana Cross Country (Years 5-8) - Mackays Crossing	Tuesday 6th June ppd Thursday 8th June and Tuesday 13th June
Week 10	Regional Cross Country (Years 4-8) - Harcourt Park (Venue TBC)	Tuesday 27th June ppd Thursday 29th June 10-2pm

Friday 19th May 2023

Kia ora e te whānau.

It's a shame the cross country had to be postponed today. Everyone has been training so hard and have been making the most of the good weather and getting across to practise on the course. As we said in the Educa post, the weather forecast for next Tuesday is looking much more promising.

Illness:

There have been an increasing number of students who are either staying at home or are going home due to a range of illnesses that are doing the rounds at the moment.

These illnesses have the potential to spread quickly within classes and around the school. I would like to thank you for keeping your children at home if they are unwell or coming to pick them up if they are feeling sick during the day. We understand that parents are busy with work commitments, but we want to minimise the spread of these illnesses and keeping children at home helps with this.

We appreciate that sometimes children might be a bit under the weather but still well enough to be at school, which is fine. What would be really helpful for teachers is that you try and communicate this with your child's teacher to give them a heads up. This way teachers can be flexible if the children are a bit below their best.

Covid:

We have had a couple of students who have been away from school because of covid. The guidelines regarding covid are:

- If your children are experiencing covid symptoms - do a covid test (we have plenty of tests at school if you need some)
- If they test negative they should stay at home as they are sick and can return to school when they are feeling better
- If they test positive they are required to stay at home and isolate for seven days and return to school after this time if they are feeling well enough
- Household contacts are not required to isolate but should test each day

Ngā mihi

Caine Webster - Principal

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FROM THE OFFICE

Tough Guy/Gal – Mud Run

If you have registered your child for the 25th and can no longer attend, please let the office know. We have a family who missed out on the registration and would love to grab a ticket to the sold out event. Thank you!

For everyone who is going please note that this is not a school run event and parents are responsible for their own children. Louise (Hayden's mum) has offered to take the school flag and a large tarpaulin, so that the children can gather as a group. This should be a fun event and we can't wait to see all the cool photos afterwards.

Assembly Certificates

Congratulations to all our clever students who have been awarded with certificates



Heston

Hugo

Millie

Annie P

Greer

Gordie-Ray

Arlo S

Jade Wa

Tom

Emma W

Elli

Blake

Louis

Connor Wh

Amy C

Morgan

Jessica B

Ryder

Izzy M

Riley Ba

Mason

Alex B

Hayden

Fenia

Introducing....

Pāuatahanui School Student Councillors 2023



Pāuatahanui School House Captains 2023



SPACE DISCO

Thursday, 1st June

Most **WOWING** Costume wins a prize!

JUNIOR SCHOOL
(Year 1 - 4)
6:15 - 7pm

TICKET PRICE:
\$6 per person
Drinks provided

SENIOR SCHOOL
(Year 5 - 8)
7:15 - 8:30pm

SAUSAGE SIZZLE: \$2
BAKE SALE: From \$1
FACE PAINT: \$1

ALL CURRENT PAUA STUDENTS WELCOME!

KAWHIA HUB
(Rooms 3, 4 and 5)



Kawhia have been training hard for Cross Country this week.

We love our new course! Our tamariki have shown great perseverance on the challenging hills, which are all worth climbing with a view like this!



As part of our training we practiced around school. We set a goal of how many laps we wanted to run and set off to see how many we could do.



We have enjoyed building our fitness with our favourite brain break games like rob the nest, all in and line tag!



Lots of similes have been
seen all round in our
preparation for cross country.
We all have shown perseverance
and ambition towards our personal
cross country goals. Tainui hub loves
this year's cross country track, with all the
muddy puddles, views and hills it has to offer.





RAUKAWA & ... WHITIREIA

MATARIKI INSPIRED ART

We've been learning about our stars for the upcoming production in the senior school. Part of this has been doing an artwork that is inspired by Van Gogh's Starry Night with a decidedly Aotearoa twist on it. Check out Raukawa's works in progress!!

NOVA, 7

LUANÉ, 7

SCOTT, 6

GEORGIA M, 8

LIAM T, 8

KATELYN E, 8

JESSICA, 6

MCKENZIE, 8

RAUKAWA ...WHITIREIA



ZARA, 10

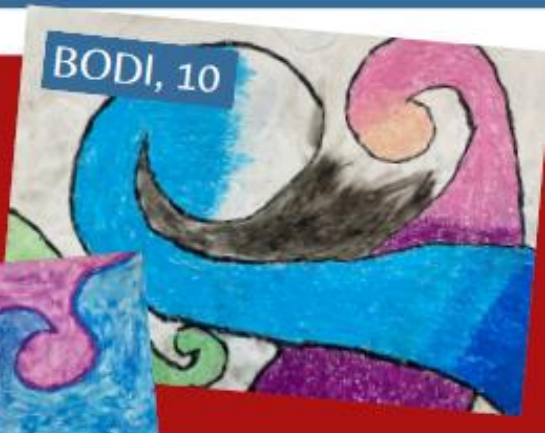


BONNIE, 9

MATARIKI INSPIRED ART
Here are some of the artworks in progress from Whitireia. Keep an eye out for these when they pop up around school over the next couple of weeks!



ANNABEL M, 10



BODI, 10



AMELIA, 10



LILY, 9



MILA, 9

STAR REPORTS

We've also been researching heaps and writing reports about our class star. Here are some examples of our awesome writing:

The definition of Tupuānuku is tupu - to grow, new shoots, nuku - Papatuanuku, Earth Mother (earth) harvesting food.

Annabelle, Rm 8

All the stars represent something or have a meaning. Tupuārangi represents sky, food, and birds. The main bird he has a strong connection with is kererū. He is also in charge of the forest, berries, fruit, and new growth.

Sophie, Rm 7

The meaning of his name is *tupu* means growth and *rangi* means sky. Around the world, Tupuārangi has different names. In Greece his name is Atlas. When it is Matariki, look out for Tupuārangi and share some kai.

James, Rm 7

To find Matariki, look to the left of Taururu (the bot), find the bright orange star, Taumata-kuku (alder baran). Follow an imaginary line from Taururu, across to taumata kuku and keep going until you hit a cluster of stars. That cluster is called Matariki.

Asha, Rm 6

Tupuānuku represents food that grows underground like kumara, carrots, radish, garlic, potatoes, mostly kumara. When they tend to underground plants, they are watering, picking off bugs, weeding. Then they harvest. Harvest is when they dig up the food and put them in the store house that the men make.

Jack, Rm 8

The stars of Matariki are 444.2 light years away. There are 9 stars of Matariki. Waiti is connected to fresh water animals like eels, fish, and more. Waiti is also connected to Māori food.

Jed, Rm 6

Matariki is celebrated only in Maori Culture in New Zealand. Usually they light a fire, and whanau gather around, and they offer their farewells to the dead, and the ancestors and celebrate life. Matariki is celebrated on the 14th July. Matariki is celebrated to acknowledge the dead and to release their spirits to become stars.

Jess, Rm 10

Pohutukawa is a star that symbolizes the Remembrance of people or things that have been lost or died and Pohutukawa encourages you to be thankful for those who have contributed.

Ethan, Rm 9

Pohutukawa is the star that is connected to the dead. She encourages us to reflect on the past and be thankful for those who have contributed to our lives. We remember those who have passed away in the past year.

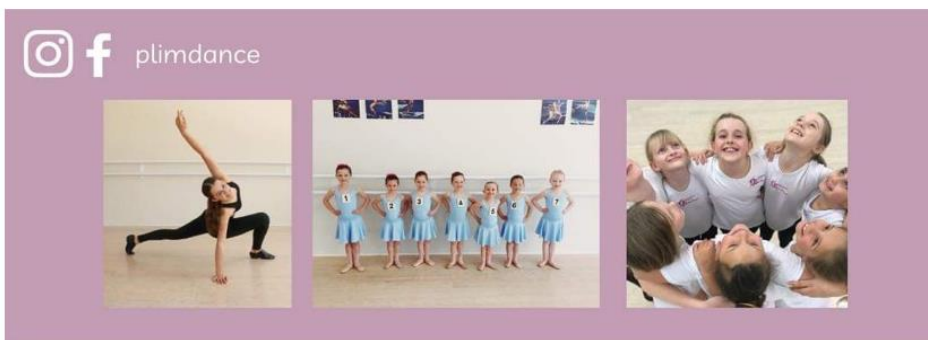
Therese, Rm 9

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