

Newsletter Term 2

Wk 2 2024



**PĀUATAHANUI
SCHOOL**
Term Dates 2024

Term 1
Tue 30 Jan – Fri 12 Apr
Term 2
Mon 29 April – Fri 5 Jul
Term 3
Mon 22 Jul – Fri 27 Sep
Term 4
Mon 14 Oct – Wed 18 Dec

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Friday 10 May 2024

Kia ora e te whānau.

Welcome to Term 2:

It has been a great start to the term that has already been jam-packed with engaging activities and learning for the children. It has been pretty cool seeing the children making the most of the frosty mornings this week using the senior playground as an ice-skating rink.

Playground:

Some of you may have noticed the musical instruments that have been installed beside the junior playground. I would like to thank Chad Preece and Aaron de Boer for installing them during the recent school holidays. It has been nice seeing and hearing the children experimenting with different sounds using the instruments.



There have been some additional repairs made to the playgrounds over the last few weeks. Both flying foxes have been repaired and replaced. I would like to thank our friendly neighbour Bain Webster for doing this for us. Once again it has been nice seeing the children being able to use these parts of the playground again.

The green bar with handles on the junior playground is another piece of equipment that has been out of action for a while. This has now been reinstalled after getting a makeover. Thank you to Manuela and her husband Rob and their friend Paul for the repairs and paintwork on this.

Fundraising:

Thank you to everyone who has supported the latest fundraising efforts. From the wine sales, we raised \$1036, which is fantastic! The movie night is coming up on Sunday, May 26th so please do support this if

you are able. The money raised from these efforts has and will go towards repairs of the playground. Additional bark will arrive next week.

Whitireia Camp:

Whitireia (Year 7 and 8 students) are heading off to camp next week, which is super exciting for them. They are going to Teapot Valley Camp in Nelson. During their time away they will be travelling on the ferry, doing archery, rock climbing, abseiling, ziplining, downhill carts and tramping through Abel Tasman National Park. I'm certain they are all going to have an amazing time and I would like to thank the parent helpers who are giving up their time to help make the camp a success. I would also like to acknowledge all the extra hours and work Claire Jolly and Brad Johns have been putting in lately to prepare for camp to make it a great experience for the children.

Cross Country:

It is that time of year again! All classes have begun their daily training in preparation for the school cross country which is being held on Tuesday 28th May. Once again it will be held on the neighbouring farms, which is great as it gives the children a really good opportunity to run on true cross-country terrain. The courses are quite challenging, and we are encouraging the children to set their own challenges when training. All classes have the opportunity to train on the course each Tuesday and on other days they train here at school. I would like to thank Anita Press for arranging access to the farms and for having the course ready for training.

Upcoming Teacher only Day

On Tuesday 4th June the school will be closed for a teacher-only day. This is one of the two teacher-only days in 2024 that has been granted by the Ministry of Education.

The purpose of the teacher-only day is to provide schools with dedicated time to understand, prepare and engage with changes across The New Zealand Curriculum refresh.

On this day our focus will be on Maths and we are lucky to be working with Julie Roberts - a Maths facilitator who works for the New Zealand Council for Educational Research (NZCER).

I know that teacher-only days can be an inconvenience for whānau, but this is the best way in which the teachers can focus on new learning.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ngā mihi

Caine Webster - Principal

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FROM THE OFFICE

2024 Kiwi English, Mathematics &

Science Competitions

Reminder - Registrations Close

17th May 2024



Please click here to register your child <https://forms.gle/yH74W525AMM6CbmG9>

BOT Meeting

Our next board meeting is coming up next week on Thursday the 16th May from 6.30pm in the staffroom. If you would like to be there, please let the office know.

Aotea College 2025 enrolments

Enrolments are now open for students wishing to attend in 2025.

Our open evening will be held on Thursday 13th June. We will be running two sessions 3:30 to 5pm & 5:30 to 7pm.

All out of zone enrolment applications **MUST** be received by Monday 24th July to be included in the ballot. Please check our website www.aotea.school.nz for details on how to enrol. If you have any questions, please contact our enrolment officer on aln@aotea.school.nz

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**LIGHT HOUSE PĀUATAHANUI
3 PAEKĀKĀRIKI HILL ROAD
SUNDAY 26TH MAY 5.00PM
ARRIVE AT 4.15PM | TICKETS \$20**

**Fundraising for Pāuatahanui School
Playground Repairs**

Raffle and Bake Sale available on the night - Please bring CASH!
Black theme - dress in black on the night

**To book tickets please email Anita by May 16
anitaevans55@xtra.co.nz**

ROOM 3+4



Literacy in Room 3 and 4 is lots of fun. We enjoy using structured literacy to learn new letters, sounds and words. Each week we read a different big book and poem. Last week we read the big book 'Elephant is Stuck!' and the poem 'The Elephant'. We made elephant crafts and wrote about elephants. Look at our amazing work.

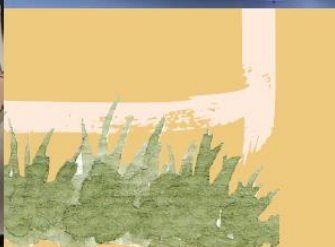
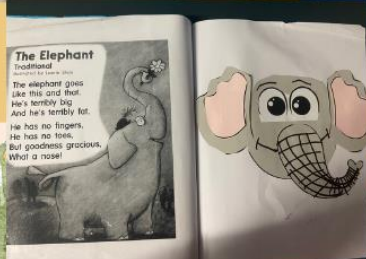
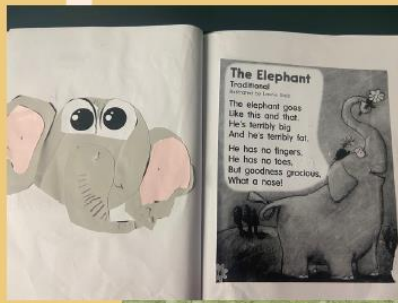


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Elephant can do in
Water. Elephant is fat.
Elephant can see.
the elephant is
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is stuck!
An elephant can
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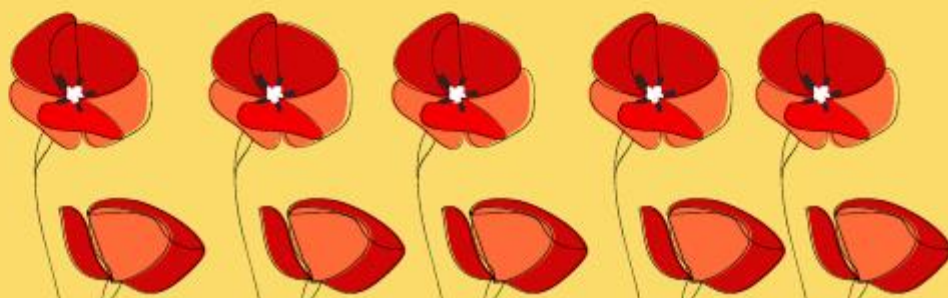
Tanui Hub



Tanui Hub has been learning about ANZAC day and the animals that went to war. We thought about how we would take care of animals in the trenches. Room 5 have created ANZAC sunrise remembrance art and poppy baskets. Room 1 and 2 used an instructional soldier drawing to create a portrait of a soldier.



"I hear guns firing like fireworks. I smell rotting eggs that stink. I feel worried and scared." Oakley





"I feel worried and my dog feels scared. I smell fire because they are firing bullets." Sophie



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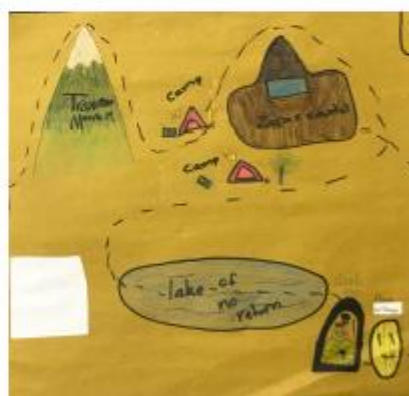
Raukawa & Whitireia Ngā Haere - Journeys



The senior school have had a great start to Term 2 exploring our theme of “Ngā Haere - Journeys”.

From planting vegetable seeds and learning our pepeha to cross country runs and reflecting on the journey of the ANZACs, each activity has offered a unique perspective on the theme. We’ve also been learning about fascinating real-life and fictional journeys in our reading lessons. Raukawa have been inventing portals to transport characters through in their creative writing. While Whitireia are preparing to embark on their own journey to camp next week!

We’re looking forward to learning about navigating by the stars, different types of waka, reading co-ordinates, tracking the growth of our seeds, and more in the weeks to come!



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