

# HOROTIU SCHOOL

#### Te Kura o Horotiu

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Panui: Movember 2022 - Newsletter

# SAVE THE DATES!

#### Year 7/8 Tech Days:

- Tuesday 8th Movember
- Tuesday 22nd Movember
- Tuesday 6th December

#### **School Athletics:**

Friday 11th Movember

#### Whaanau Hui:

Monday 14 Movember 6pm

#### **School Assembly:**

- Friday 18th Movember 1:50pm
- Friday 2nd December 1:50pm

#### **Book Fair Week:**

• 14-18th Movember

#### **Year 8 Dental Unit Onsite:**

• 28th-1st December

#### **Board of Trustees Meeting:**

Tuesday 29th Movember

#### **Year 8 Graduation Dinner:**

Monday 5th December 5-8pm

#### **Whaanau Transition Visit:**

• Wednesday 7th December

#### **House Tug of War Competition:**

Monday 12th December

#### **School Prizegiving:**

 Tuesday 13th December 6-7:30pm

#### **Term 4 Finish Date:**

Wednesday 14th December
 Finish - 12:30pm
 (Bus running at 12:30)

#### **Looking Ahead to 2023:**

School starts: Tuesday 31st January

# Principal's Message! A Note from Jo:

Kia ora e te whaanau.

What stunning weather we have been treated to! It really does make you feel like summer has arrived.

#### **Room Changes for 2023:**

Although we still have plenty of teaching and learning left for the 2022 year, many of you have been asking what is happening in 2023. The first fantastic news is that we are retaining our staff in 2023. There are, however, a few internal movements which have been well thought out and cater to our students' needs. Your child will know as soon as possible where/if they will be moving but for the moment below is where we currently see teachers and year levels being. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the school for a korero.

- Tiitoki Year 0-1 Mrs Kim Crook
- Pohutukawa Year 0-1 Miss Jamie Gibbens
- **Koromiko -** Year 1-3 Mrs Sonja Inglis, Miss Britney Stirling and Whaea Kiri Kaywood (Monday- Wednesday)
- Harakeke Year 3-5 Miss Karli Fee and Matua Gig Abraham
- Kawakawa Year 5-7 Whaea Paula Evans and Miss Mikayla Callaghan
- Maanuka Year 7-8 Whaea Antonia Whittaker and Whaea Alex Wakeman

#### Class visits for 2023

Transition visits will be: Wednesday 7th December for the day. Children will visit the hub/class that they will be in for 2023 for two sessions to familiarise themselves with their new teacher and the space. Children will be able to take their lunchbox and stay for the whole day. Whaanau are invited in for the afternoon session 1:30-2:30 to see their child/ren and Kajako.

The Hub Transition Newsletter will go in the envelope with your child's report as well as stationery information for 2023 on Tuesday 13th December. Please fill in this "Getting to know your child" survey and return it promptly to school which helps new teachers understand your child even more.

#### From the School Board:

Planning for 2023 is well underway and the Horotiu School Board wish to announce that the 2023 Gala will go ahead and we will be looking to raise money for landscaping around our school grounds. Keep an eye out if you want to be involved with this kaupapa. More info on the next page.

"Ki te kotahi te kaakaho ka whati, ki te kaapuia e kore e whati" When reeds stand alone they are vulnerable, but together they are unbreakable.

~ Naa Kiingi Taawhiao

### **School News:**

#### **Book Fair**

Book fair will be held in the school Hall starting Monday 14th November until Thursday 17th November. It will be open to the public every day from 8-9am and then 2.40-5.30pm. Books make great Xmas presents and every book you purchase benefits our school giving us money for school library books. We look forward to seeing you in the Hall on one of these days. ~ Kim Crook

#### **Pool Keys:**

Horotiu School are hiring keys for the school pool this swimming season. Keys will be available to purchase for \$100 + \$50 bond from the office from Week 4 with the pool opening on Monday 14th **M**ovember (Week 5). Please be aware that there are some changes in our conditions of use. For more information pop in and see Whaea Amelia or Whaea Chelsea at the school office.

#### Movember:

Our Horotiu School male staff have joined with local schools to celebrate Movember. We are trying to raise awareness and funds for men's health. You can visit <a href="https://movember.com/t/males-in-education?mc=1">https://movember.com/t/males-in-education?mc=1</a> to show your support.

#### 2023 Horotiu School Gala:

The Horotiu School Board has announced that the Horotiu School Gala will take place on Sunday 2nd April. It's a fantastic event with all profits going back into supporting our students learning here at Horotiu. This gala will be raising money for landscaping around the school. If you would like to be involved as an organiser or as a sponsor, please contact Dana Allen <a href="mailto:danaleeallen@outlook.com">danaleeallen@outlook.com</a> or Karen Purdy <a href="mailto:k.purdy@horotiu.school.nz">k.purdy@horotiu.school.nz</a>. We will hold a meeting early in Term 1 to bring together those interested in helping to plan and prepare for this event - we'd love to have you involved!

#### 'Kiss-n-Drop' Etiquette Reminder:

We want to remind all parents that this was put in place to help reduce the stress and rush of the morning routine for families. We need to model respect and be careful of our tamariki walking through the carpark

- Children should only be let out of their car **AFTER 8:30am**.
- Vehicles are to **remain in the line** using the roundabout system no need to pass other vehicles
- If you have a large load to drop off and are going to take more than 20 seconds, please use the roadside parks and walk your children in.

#### Prizegiving 2022: Save the date:

Horotiu School will once again run our Drive-In Prizegiving on the school fields. Our school continues to grow, and the school hall - in the heat of summer - is no longer a viable option to accommodate our full prizegiving. It is great to think that we have gained something good from the past three years of disruption, and that one aspect is our Drive-In Prizegiving. This event will be on Tuesday 13th December at 6pm. More details will follow closer to the time.

#### **Community Progressive Working Bee:**

If you are willing and able to offer assistance you can make contact with Jo Wright: <a href="mailto:principal@horotiu.school.nz">principal@horotiu.school.nz</a>
Furthermore, if you think you have some other skill or resource you want to gift that may benefit the school, please do let us know.

Thank you to the **Hanes whaanau** for filling up our sandpits with a load of free sand and Craig Kimpton for getting on the end of the shovel! Thank you **Profile Earthworks** who have given us a brand new Long Jump sandpit (boxed and filled).

Our current job list includes:

- Pulling down the woodshed
- Securing our friendship seat into the concrete
- Scanning school history documentation
- Mulching the fruit trees for summer.



### **Around the Hubs: Tiltoki (Reception):**

Tiitoki has been busy planting veggies for our Food and Nutrition focus. They also had to follow a vege code to work out the secret message. They got a special badge when this was completed.









## Around the Hubs: Koromiko (Year 0-2)

Koromiko are well into their Food and Nutrition learning for Term 4. We have been designing balanced breakfasts, categorising food into different groups, showing our adventurous side and trying some new and interesting kai along the way? (making sure to stick to our students allergy and dietary requirements)

















Reception Y0 Y0-2 Y3-4 Y5-6 Y6-7 Y7-8

### Around the Hubs: Harakeke (Year 3/4)

Kia ora e te whaanau! Our tamariki have had a very busy start to the term. In the first week, we were hands on making our scarecrows and fairy houses, with lots of learning about symmetry, diagrams to plan our thinking, resilience and perseverance when things became challenging or different to the original plan. Thank you the parents that were able to come in and help our tamariki on the Thursday morning with the flower show, it was all round a very enjoyed morning by everyone!

We have continued our 'hands on' learning with our beans in class. We have BEAN learning about calendars, and using these to plan our gardening and when to water them. The beans were planted in clear containers so we can watch the stages as the seed through germination into a plant with hopefully lots of yummy beans to eat!





**Harakeke** 



## Around the Hubs: Kawakawa (Year 5/6)

On Friday 28 October, Kawakawa and the year 6s from Pohutukawa had a sensational day at Christain Youth Camp in Ngaaruawaahia. They participated in activities including, flying fox, kayaking, swimming, beach volleyball, mini-golf and paintball. A massive shout-out to the parent helpers who gave up their time to help us out for the day.

Highlights included, students taking a leap of faith on the flying fox and getting into the kayak when they were too scared to, including one of our tamariki who said, "I am brave now. I can do it by myself."





















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### **Around the Hubs: Pohutukawa (Year 6/7):**

Kia ora e te whaanau, as always our Pohutukawa kids have been involved in so many things. First day of term saw some of us head out to Kawhia moana to visit the Te Waka Hourua celebration. The students absolutely loved this experience with lots of new and diverse learning. We also had the flower show which allowed our tamariki to explore their creative and artistic sides. Thank you to those whaanau that either came in or provided so many wonderful resources for all of our Tamariki to share. Lastly we have had our year 7's from Pohutukawa away on camp, I was lucky (or unlucky, if you wanted some sleep) enough to be able to spend a couple of days with them. Also our Year 6's had a day camp at the Ngaaruawaahia CYC camp, such amazing experiences for the students.









## Around the Hubs: Maanuka (Year 7/8):





Year 7 & 8 tamariki had an amazing time at Camp Aongatete on the other side of the Kaimai Ranges. Some highlights were learning to use a compass to find our way out of the bush, K'lee hitting the balloon during archery, learning about pests & trapping during the Conservation activity and coming together to hang out during the outdoor cooking activity on the last night. We are so proud of all of our tamariki and how they displayed the Three Be's during our stay. We had positive feedback from more than one of the instructors. Thank you to all our parents who came along to help as camp supervisors! We couldn't have had camp without you. Meinga meinga!









## Are your Contact Details Up-to-Date?

If you have changed your contact details please take a couple of minutes to let us know via email office@horotiu.school.nz or via text on 027 829 9010.

# A Visual Glimpse at Horotiu School's Recent Events:

























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#### Te Whare Toi o Ngaaruawahia Inc

Check out these exciting new workshops that we have developed for our tamariki! All creations will feature in our amazing end of year NGĀ ART Glow Exhibition. Both of these programmes are run over two weeks. They are subsidised by Creative Communities New Zealand so are really affordable opportunities at \$10 per child.

Click on each class to register or to find out more:

> Create a Glow in the dark Soda Monster **Create a Glow Mythical Potion Bottle**

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