

# Hutt Central School

*Empowering our children to meet the future with confidence*

## Hutt Central School Newsletter No 9 Term 4 4 December - 8 December 2023

### Kia ora Tatou,

We are about to enter into our last week of school for this year. Our students have a number of exciting opportunities coming up and we are looking forward to celebrating the year with them.

- On Monday / Rāhina we have our PB4L Gold Level reward of a picnic at Maidstone Park and Upper Hutt Roller Skating Rink.
- On Tuesday / Rātu we will visit our 2024 classes for a period time in the afternoon.
- On Wednesday / Rāapa we have our Celebration Assembly with our Term 4 awards at 2:20pm.
- On Thursday / Rāpare we have our Year 6 Social Evening.
- On Friday / Rāmere we have our Poroporoaki / Farewell for our departing staff and students at 12:00pm. School will finish at 1pm on Friday / Rāmere, 15 December.

### End of Year Reports

Tomorrow (Friday 8 December), your child will bring home an envelope with their end of year report. There is also a school attendance print out, and their 2024 class. I acknowledge and thank our teachers for the work that has gone into the writing of these reports.

### Regional Athletics

On Tuesday 5th December Andrai and Kate attended the Regional Athletics competition held at Newton Park. They represented the Lower Hutt Primary School Region.. Kate competed in the Year 4 Girls Vortex and placed 8th overall. Andrai competed in the Year 5 Boy's 800m run - 5th place, long jump - 12th place, and quoits 4th place.

*Andrai - It was fun to be there because I got to see my friends and catch up.*

*Kate - I enjoyed watching other athletes compete in their events.*

Thank you to our parents for their support and encouragement. It was awesome to have you there.

By Kate and Andrai



### Rock Stars

Congratulations to the following children who were awarded Rock Star Awards at the assembly last week:-

Room 1	Rishan and Archie	Room 2	Bella and Charlie	Room 3	Gus and Lizzy
Room 4	Jack and Amelia	Room 5	Mackenzie and Ari	Room 6	Ariana and Jay
Room 7	May and Kheran	Room 8	Addilynn and Clark	Room 9	Blake & Nina
Room 10	Henna and Grace	Room 11	Nikheel and Harleen	Room 12	Zara, Amithi and Hope
Room 13	Duncan and Noah	Room 14	Koan and Liam	Room 15	Olivia

### Great Students

Jake from Room 4 shared some awesome writing with me this week. He wrote about what we need to do to be Kaitiaki of our land.

### Out of School Care Provider

Kelly Club are preparing the information for our school for their Before and Afterschool Care that will be based in our School Hall. There will be a dedicated Hutt Central School Website that will be live on Monday 11 December that we will be able to share with you. We have flyers arriving at the school office tomorrow.

### Lost Property

There seems to be a lot of clothing accumulating in the lost property box. Could children and parents please take the time to look through it to see if any of it belongs to you. All unclaimed clothing will be donated to the Women's Refuge at the end of next week..

## Junior School update



To wrap up our learning about 'Kaitiakitanga' the Junior School had a visit from one of our parents, Erin, who works for "Save the Kiwi". She taught us interesting facts about our native bird, but also explained the different ways that people can be kaitiaki / guardians for kiwi. It was a fascinating talk for all, and what impressed the teachers the most was how the tamariki made connections with their learning on animal habitats in our Term 2 concept of 'Thrive'. They were able to recall some of the big ideas from our trip to Wellington Zoo in June!

After the Kiwi Talk every Junior class, with our amazing parent helpers, packed their school bags for a trip to Te Awakairangi (Hutt River). After a morning tea on the stones, each class put on their special 'clean-up' gloves and made their way around the stony beach and riverbank picking up rubbish. The students took their role as kaitiaki VERY seriously, as they hunted out tiny pieces of plastic and paper etc. Although some students were disappointed at how clean the riverbanks were (they were desperate to find rubbish!), we were really happy that our local environment was being looked after keeping rubbish out of our waterways.



## Big Congratulations to Kylie and Jess

This week the staff, and the students in Room 5 and 10, got to celebrate Jess and Kylie becoming fully-registered teachers. After graduating from University, they have now completed an additional 2 years of on-the-job training. They have both put in so much mahi and are truly dedicated to their work, their students and their classroom programmes. We congratulate them on reaching this milestone.



## Retirement Surprise Morning Tea for Ann Hoare

On Monday, 31 ex-Reading Recovery students helped celebrate Ann's upcoming retirement by throwing her a surprise morning tea. These students were all supported by Ann (when they were 6 years old) with their reading. Every term, Ann still monitors their results to make sure they are still making progress as they move up the school. Ann played an important role in their learning, and every student there was excited to be a part of her farewell. Ann has been at our school for 16 years, and her specialist knowledge has helped so many of our students. The staff and community will be formally

farewelling Ann at our final Assembly/poroporoaki next week (Friday).

Ngā mihi nui,  
Michael Gendall



## 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

*HELP US MAKE OUR 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS RAFFLE THE BEST RAFFLE EVER!*

*We are still collecting items to make up four Christmas Grocery Hampers as part of our 12 days of Christmas Raffle. We would be very grateful if your family could contribute an item to be added to the hampers - perhaps something you yourself would like to receive as part of a hamper - whether that is a non-perishable yummy food item, something Christmasy or something that makes a nice wee gift (e.g. a candle). **The last opportunity to contribute to the hampers will be tomorrow. Raffle sheets and money will need to be at the school office by Monday morning to be in the draw.***

*With many thanks (and Christmas wishes!)  
The Fundraising Committee*

### 2024 Term Dates and Public Holidays

**Term 1** Thursday 1 February – Friday 12 April

**Term 2** Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July

**Term 3** Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September

**Term 4** Monday 14 October – Tuesday 17 December

*Waitangi Day: Tuesday 6 February, Term 1*

*Good Friday: 29 March, Term 1*

*Easter Monday: 1 April, Term 1*

*Easter Tuesday: 2 April, Term 1*

*ANZAC Day: Thursday 25 April (falls within the school holidays)*

*King's Birthday: Monday 3 June, Term 2*

*Matariki: Friday 28 June, Term 2*

*Labour Day: Monday 28 October, Term 4*



**Beat the rush and  
order back to school  
stationery now!**



Class lists are ready to shop at  
**[myschool.co.nz](https://myschool.co.nz)**

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is available in the hall from 8.30-8.50 a.m. Our last day will be **Thursday 14th December** and we will reopen on Monday 5 February 2024.

If you are interested for volunteering for Breakfast Club next year, please get in touch with Kathryn: [kathrynrose11771@gmail.com](mailto:kathrynrose11771@gmail.com)

***Meri Kirihimete!***



Visit our website for links to the classes, contacts for teachers and an updated calendar  
<http://www.huttcentral.school.nz/>

Week 10 Term 4 11th December - 15th December	Monday - School Picnic Thursday - Year 6 Leavers Social Friday - Last Day of the term. Assembly starts at 12 noon. School finishes at 1pm
Week 1 Term 1 2024 1st February - 2nd February	Thursday - First day of term 1
Week 2 Term 1 2024 5th February - 9th February	Tuesday - Waitangi Day - School closed

### Our 2023 Seesaw Blogs

Please let your child's teacher know if you have any problems viewing their individual learning journal.

Room 1	<a href="https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma12023">https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma12023</a>
Room 2	<a href="https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma22023">https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma22023</a>
Room 3	<a href="https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma32023">https://app.seesaw.me/blog/hcsruma32023</a>
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## Community News



**Youth mountain biking Adventures!** Term programmes- Holiday Camps- Leadership WORD ([World Off Road Riding Department](http://www.world.org.nz)). WORD is a youth mountain bike charity founded in 2013 in Wellington and is now working with over 1000 kids a year! We provide after school programmes, holiday camps, youth leadership opportunities and adventure trips for 7-17 year old tamariki and rangatahi across Aotearoa. We are committed and passionate about creating awesome experiences to build youth confidence, develop new friendships, and foster a life-long love of mountain biking. For more info on our life changing programmes, check out [www.world.org.nz](http://www.world.org.nz)

**CITY LEAGUE JUNIOR FOOTBALL**

**NEW SEASON 2024  
KICKSOFF JANUARY 21ST**

**ALL GAMES AT MCEWAN PARK, PETONE**

**GRAB YOUR MATES! MAKE A TEAM OR JOIN ONE OF OURS - FOR ALL PLAYERS AGED 6 TO 14 YEARS**

**[SIGN UP ONLINE AT SPORTZONE.ORG.NZ](http://SPORTZONE.ORG.NZ)**

The poster features a central photograph of two youth football teams. The team on the left is wearing red jerseys and shorts, while the team on the right is wearing yellow jerseys and shorts. They are posed in front of a large, dark green football. The background is a vibrant green with a bokeh effect of light spots. The text is overlaid on the image in various colors and fonts, including white, green, and red, with some text appearing to be on a torn paper effect.

# The Learning Connexion School of Creativity & Art

School Art Holiday Programme for children aged 5 – 13 held at our vibrant Taita campus, we provide children with an art school experience that nurtures creativity. Oscar subsidies available.

To find out more about our holiday programme visit our website:

<https://www.tlc.ac.nz/study-with-us/kids-art-holiday-classes/school-holiday-programme/>

Bookings can be made directly through EnrolMy:

[Enrolmy | The Learning Connexion - Booking Calendar for Kids Summer School Holiday Programme](#)

## KIDS SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME TIMETABLE



**TLC KIDS CLASSES**

Whether you are working or just need a break, TLC's Kids Art Holiday Programme is timed just right to keep your kids happy, engaged & having creative holiday fun!

**Dates:**  
Mon 15 to Fri 19 Jan & Tues 23 to Fri 26 Jan

**Times:**  
9:00AM to 3:00PM

**Cost:**  
\$65.00 per day

**Age:**  
5 – 13 year olds

Our programme is OSCAR approved, meaning that there are WINZ subsidies available if you need help meeting costs. For more information please visit... [workandincome.govt.nz](http://workandincome.govt.nz)

**SCAN ME TO BOOK!**



WEEK ONE

MON 15 JANUARY



CLAY TREASURE BOX

We will be learning basic hand building skills with clay like coiling, scratch & attach, & the pinch pot method to turn a blob of clay into an awesome, multipurpose treasure trove.

TUES 16 JANUARY



PATCHWORK PEOPLE

Ready, steady, sew! Dive into our pile of fabric scraps & patches, learn how to hand stitch them together, stuff them with natural fibres to create your own soft & squishy colourful character.

WEDS 17 JANUARY



POT IT TOGETHER

In this class we'll create our own moulds, fill them with plaster of paris, paint them & then plant our chosen seeds to take home.

THURS 18 JANUARY



TIE DYE T-SHIRTS

Funk up your day with splashes of colour & patterns. Bring your favourite T-Shirt/s from home & turn it into a groovy wearable work of Tye Dye art!

FRI 19 JANUARY



UPCYCLED FACES

We are magicians who can turn trash into treasures! In today's art project we are going to scour the workshop for all sorts of weird & wonderful odds & ends to turn them into a modern day portrait.

WEEK TWO

MON 22 JANUARY

NO CLASS WELLINGTON ANNIVERSARY

TUES 23 JANUARY



CLAY NIGHT LIGHT

Using clay we will learn the basic techniques of hand building to sculpt & mould our way to night light magic. When our designs are finished we will paint them with some fun colours. \*Comes with battery operated tea light

WEDS 24 JANUARY



POP ART PLANTS

So many shades of green, but what about a yellow and orange swirly cactus? Or a purple furry fern? Using a range of mixed media we will sculpt new plant forms, add vibrant colours & you have yourself a very patty poppy plant!

THURS 25 JANUARY



BAMBOO WEAVING

Ah! The bamboo is looming! Using skewers, fabric, string & yarn we will learn how to weave our way to creative coolness.

FRI 26 JANUARY



K WOW

Welcome to the greatly anticipated 'Kids World of Wearable Arts'. A one day festival of curated creative chaos, & artists all coming together to cut, stick, stitch, glue, tie & taper it out to design a moving, grooving walk of art!

Are you looking to try a new sport or to develop your water polo skills?

In January 2023 Brydie Pye is running sessions working on the main fundamental skills of water polo.

Brydie Pye:

-Former New Zealand Women's water polo player

-Played at the 2017 world championships in Budapest

-Attended the University of the Pacific and played in the NCAA Division 1 for 4 years

-Current coach of the Hutt under 14 girls team



# Water Polo Fundamentals

Ages 10-14

**When:** January 6th, 7th, 13th, 14th, 20th, 21st

**Where:** Eastbourne pool

**Sessions:** 1 hour sessions between 9am-12pm

**Price:** \$20 per session

\* requirement: attendees need to be able to swim 2 laps of a 25m pool without stopping

\* any water polo levels welcome

\* you are able to have 1 session each day if you wish

**Contact details:** [brydiepye@gmail.com](mailto:brydiepye@gmail.com)



## The Kid's Lounge Holiday Programme Dec 2023/ Jan 2024

<b>MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> DEC</b> INHOUSE MOVIE PIZZA	<b>TUESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> DEC</b> McKENZIE POOLS	<b>WEDNESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> DEC</b> CHRISTMAS ARTS AND CRAFTS	<b>THURSDAY 21<sup>st</sup> DEC</b> TREASURE HUNT/GAMES SUNDAES	<b>FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> DEC</b> CHRISTMAS BREKKIE CLOSE 5PM
<b>MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> WELCOME BACK McKENZIE POOLS	<b>TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> ELECTRONIC DAY MINUTE TO WIN IT & SAUSAGE SIZZLE	<b>WEDNESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> MOVIE WONKA	<b>THURSDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> WATERWARS/ SCAVENGER HUNT & SPIDERS	<b>FRIDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> CARNIVAL AMERICAN HOTDOGS
<b>MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> JUNGLERAMA	<b>TUESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> MULTI SPORTS & FROZEN COKES	<b>WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> WATERWARS/GAMES FISH CHIPS	<b>THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> AVALON PARK/SCOOTERS LUNCH	<b>FRIDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> PORIRUA AQUATIC CENTRE
<b>MONDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JAN</b> CLOSED WGTN ANNIVERSARY	<b>TUESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> JAN</b> McKENZIE POOLS	<b>WEDNESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> MOVIES WISH	<b>THURSDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> SPORTS DAY & FROZEN COKES	<b>FRIDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> LASER TAG & WATERWARS
<b>MONDAY 29<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> McKENZIE POOLS	<b>TUESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> JAN</b> MOVIES MIGRATION	<b>WEDNESDAY 31<sup>st</sup> JAN</b> AVALON PARK/SCOOTERS PIZZA	<b>THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEB</b> BACK TO SCHOOL	<b>FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> FEB</b> BACK TO SCHOOL

## OSCAR APPROVED



Held at Petone Central School Hall, 16 Britannia Street, Petone

COST: \$55.00 PER CHILD PER DAY.

OUTINGS, BASIC BREAKFAST, MORNING/AFTERNOON TEA PROVIDED IN COST. WE ARE  
OPEN FROM 6.45AM TO 6.00PM. PHONE VAI 022 3554434 OR EMAIL  
[vai@thekidslounge.co.nz](mailto:vai@thekidslounge.co.nz)