

Term 1, Issue 4

Kia ora koutou

Worth watching

There is so much to be thankful for this week. I am going to start with “you” our amazing whānau. Going on strike is never easy for teachers and something we do with reluctance. However, the tone deaf response of the ministry of education’s present offer to teachers and principals needed some loud action. Your support and understanding has been wonderful and we will do all we can to minimise any impact on learning.



We are hoping that the enormous response and support we all received will be enough to get a much better offer in the weeks to come and put an end to any further protest action.

Our **BIGGEST** celebration must be the opening of our new Te Wāhi Ako (Outdoor learning space). For more pictures and info please see below. This has been in the planning since 2020 and it’s amazing to see our vision actually now in place. This has been an extremely costly project which has been mostly funded through grant applications that Mandy Abels has had a huge part in completing and pushing to get through. It is still not 100% finished and there will be workers onsite tomorrow to finish off. The weather has not been our friend today :(Next week the tamariki will have a chance to enjoy some specifically timetabled learning time in this space.

To Add to this, our mural and ground markings are also nearing completion. The talented Kelly Lyons has made and created an incredible mural and with her Te Reo learning group gifted us the wonderful whakatauki painted in it. Amy has a few more shapes to paint to complete the ground marking before we start to look at what to do in front of Sapphire Block.

All donations of paint and sandpit toys will be gratefully accepted.

Please remember we have Te Ahi Ora on Monday and Tuesday 27th & 28th March – with an evening event on Monday 27th. Save this date and join us here at school for a sausage sizzle and evening of entertainment with our fire poi team and Callan to entertain us.

Aroha nui koutou
Robyn



Award winners for Friday 10th March

Greenstone



Moonstone



Emerald



Sapphire



GEMS FOCUS FOR WEEKS 7 to 10

Care for your environment

Kaitiakitanga - Toitū te whenua, whatungarongaro he tangata. "The land remains when the people have disappeared"

- Pick up any PE gear and put it in the trolley
- Make sure you put the right things in the right bins
- Put rubbish in the bin, or put it in your lunchbox to take home.
- Take care when climbing the trees in the bush area
- Use GOOS paper when you are drawing to save paper

Thank you for an amazing donation!



A **HUGE** thank you to Amelia McKay's Dad (Wilson) and his company **Wellington Longrun Roofing** for kindly donating a \$200 voucher to allow us to buy tinned fruit etc that we use at Kickstart Breakfast (every weekday morning from 8:30am - 8:55am in the school Hall).

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What's ahead?!

- **Sausage Sizzle Lunch Available to Order**
Tuesday 21st March
- **Swimming @ Te Awakairangi**
Wednesday 22nd March
- **Poari Hui/Board Meeting**
Wednesday 22nd March @ 6.30pm
- **Whānau connects**
Wednesday 22nd March & Thursday 23rd March
- **Te Ahi Ora Performances**
Tamariki Empowerment and Wellbeing Monday 27th March & Tuesday 28th March
- **Wheeling Down to Harcourt Park**
Tuesday 4th April
- **Sausage Sizzle Lunch Available to Order**
Tuesday 4th April
- **Last Day of Term 1 - Finish @ 3pm**
Thursday 6th April

Sausage Sizzle

Available to order each **Tuesday** through the school office.

Sushi

Available to order each **Friday** through [Lunchonline](#)

Birthdays coming up

Greenstone:

Emerald: Evie

Moonstone:

Sapphire: Locke, Mitchell



Kids Connect @ Trentham Memorial Park on Monday 6th March

Michelle Ducat (Enviro Schools Community Facilitator) invited 12 students from each primary school in Upper Hutt to attend a day at Trentham Memorial Park. We were one of only a few schools who said yes which was disappointing, however, our students showed the GEMS and had a fantastic time down there. It was focused around connecting with our local environment. The students were chosen as they have been showing passion about keeping our Kura rubbish free, as well as having responsibilities to help recycle etc around the school.



Skating demonstration

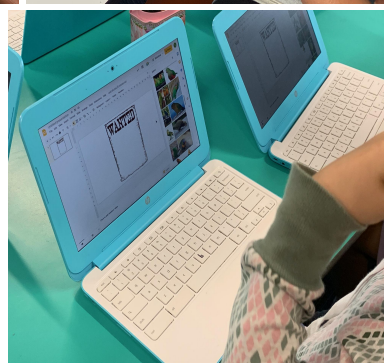
Years 3,4 and 5 students got to have a presentation around inline skating. Rimutaka Inline Hockey Club Incorporated brought some of their young skaters, and a couple of videos to show off their skills, students got a voucher for a free session too!



Rimutaka Renegades
Inline Hockey Club

Literacy Fun sessions across the whole school!

After every assembly, we do a whole school session on a given curriculum area. Each teacher will run something, and students get to move around to the different activities. Last week we focused on Literacy. There was reading by yourself, reading to a buddy, charades, making alphabet mats, making cards for others as well as creating posters on Canva.



Opening of Te Wāhi Ako

Tāwhirimātea was shedding tears of joy on the opening of our outdoor learning space, called “Te Wāhi Ako”. We had the whole school in Sapphire for the occasion. Koro Jim from Orongomai Marae came to our kura and blessed the space, as well as thanking the amazing builders for their time and energy. The whole school can't wait to get on and use it!



Ngā Tākaro – Interschool Traditional Māori Games

We had the opportunity to send 12 of our senior students to the Traditional Māori Games event recently. They encourage schools to select students who whakapapa Māori first and foremost, as this event promotes tikanga Māori, as well as Māori achieving success as Māori. The aim of the day is to celebrate Maori culture through sport and games.



TOP SCHOOLS – Harcourt Park Competition for Seniors

5 students along with their parents (and Whaea Lauren), competed in the annual top schools run by Activation. Our kids and adults showed the GEMS and did us proud – ka mau te wehi team!



WHEELING DOWN TO HARCOURT PARK!



Let's celebrate an
awesome Movin'
March and End of
Term 1!



Bike, Scooter,
Skate, Roller
skate - even
walk if you
don't want to
wheel down!

Practice following the road code
by using the bike track there!



Tuesday
4th April
PP Thursday
6th April



9:30am - Leave school to wheel
along the river trail

10am to 12pm - use the bike
track at Harcourt Park, zoom
down the hills, playground etc

12pm - Sausage Sizzle down
there. This is part of the
weekly sausage sizzle

fundraiser...if you haven't paid
and would like one, it's \$2 a
sausage and bread.

12:30pm - wheel back to school

1pm Juicies back at school
(FREE from Birchville Kura)



Welcome all whānau to travel
with us and enjoy the day!



ADVENTURE WEEKEND

Wellington City edition



Friday: Depart from the centre or school at 12pm.
Day Activities: On the way to the accommodation, stop at Fergs Kayak's to do Kayaking and Rock climbing- <https://fergskayaks.co.nz/pages/wellington>
 Ice Skating at Daytons Adventure Park ice skating ring. <https://www.daytonsadventurepark.co.nz/> (Plan B)
Night Activities: After setting up camp, go to the Recreational Centre. Go to the swimming pool (Plan B)
 Arrive at camp and set up Kiwi Holiday park - <https://www.wellingtonsholidaypark.co.nz/>

Saturday
Day Activities: Paintball <https://www.brewtown.co.nz/> Archery (Plan B)
Night Activities: Bowling at Strike <https://www.strikenz.co.nz/> Laser Tag (Plan B)
Sunday: Depart camp at 10am
 Check out community markets
 Dropped at home/centre at 12pm

Friday 12pm to Sunday 12pm during the year as advertised.
 Cost: \$785.50 per cub (Age range: 5-17 years | 15% off for Wild Card Holders.
 Includes: Accommodation, transport, supervision all included in the package.
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WEEKLY CHALLENGES

Check out Activation's Facebook page to enter!
facebook.com/ActivationUH.

Each week there will be a different transport mode challenge! Upload a photo of you participating in that mode, and go in the draw to win a \$50 Prezzy card each week.

Any queries or questions email teresa.shailer@uhcc.govt.nz

April 2023 H2O Holiday Programme

HANG 10

5 TO 13 YEARS OLD

<p>Monday 10/04 - Easter Monday <i>No programme today.</i></p> <p>Tuesday 11/04 - Trip Day AM: Rimutaka Gymnastics Let experienced coaches guide your child through basic gymnastics from tumblers, balance and flips into their giant foam pit! PM: Rock painting Express yourself! painting rock. Take it home or spread positivity and leave your creation in a public place for others to find!</p> <p>Wednesday 12/04 - Base Day AM: Floorball Grab a stick and your friends and get ready to have a blast with our floorball tournament. PM: Mural Making Let's create our own large-scale artwork. Paint, draw, colour in or decorate with materials, you choose!</p> <p>Thursday 13/04 - Base Day AM: Giant blocks Explore, enjoy an accomplish endless play from construction, pretend play, role-playing and much more with giant blocks and parts! PM: Baking Pancakes for everyone, mix up the recipe and experiment!</p> <p>Friday 14/04 - Trip Day AM: Swimming Bring your togs for some afternoon pool fun @ Porirua Pools. PM: Movies at Bora It's Friday, let's relax with a movie!</p>	<p>Monday 17/04 - Trip Day AM: Gardening Let's see what the team of volunteers at Forest & Bird get up to and learn about plants, nature and the importance of sustainability. PM: Baking Anzac Day is coming, let's learn how to make the kiwi favourite biscuit! Who will make the best batch?</p> <p>Tuesday 18/04 - Trip Day All day: Zoo We're going to the Zoo, Zoo, Zoo, how about you? Come and see the latest arrivals, and the only Snow Leopards in New Zealand!</p> <p>Wednesday 19/04 - Trip Day AM: Roller Skating Get your skates on and master the art of balance and coordination on 8 wheels! PM: Potions With a few simple ingredients, create your own bubbling brews and unique mysterious potions!</p> <p>Thursday 20/04 - Base Day AM: Colossal Squid Today it's all about squids! A play day with activities to explore the colossal squid at Whirinaki PM: Squid crafts Let's create our own squid!</p> <p>Friday 21/04 - Trip Day AM: Maidstone Max With swings, slides, music, a flying fox and sandpit, there's no shortage of fun and adventures to be had! PM: Movies It's the last day of the holidays, let's relax with a movie and popcorn at Monterey Cinema.</p>
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April 2023 H2O Holiday Programme

SURF'S UP

5 TO 8 YEARS OLD

<p>Monday 10/04 - Easter Monday <i>No programme today.</i></p> <p>Tuesday 11/04 - Base Day AM: You rock! Express yourself painting rocks. Take it home, gift it or spread positivity and leave your creation in a public place for others to find! PM: A Rock Hunt! Let's play a scavenger hunt with our new rocks!</p> <p>Wednesday 12/04 - Base Day AM: Play Event Today we get active at Whirinaki, from giant spin tops, balance boards, giant puzzles and much more! PM: Baking Pancakes for everyone, mix up the recipe and experiment!</p> <p>Thursday 13/04 - Trip Day AM: Rimutaka Gymnastics Let experienced coaches guide your child through basic gymnastics from tumblers, balance and flips into their giant foam pit! PM: Mural Making Let's create our own large-scale artwork. Paint, draw, colour in or decorate with materials, you choose!</p> <p>Friday 14/04 - Trip Day AM: Swimming Bring your togs for some afternoon pool fun @ Porirua Pools PM: Movies at Bora It's Friday, let's relax with a movie!</p>	<p>Monday 17/04 - Base Day AM: To the library Visiting the library is always an adventure with so many books to explore. Let's join in with some story time and crafts with our favourite librarian! PM: Baking Anzac Day is coming, let's learn how to make the kiwi favourite biscuit! Who will make the best batch?</p> <p>Tuesday 18/04 - Base Day AM: Puppy Love Cuddle Elies carines cute puppies! She will teach you about different breeds, being safe around dogs & how to take care of them. It's a pawisitively perfect experience! PM: Potions With a few simple ingredients, create your own bubbling brews and unique mysterious potions!</p> <p>Wednesday 19/04 - Trip Day All day: Zoo We're going to the Zoo, Zoo, Zoo, how about you? Come and see the latest arrivals, and the only Snow Leopards in New Zealand!</p> <p>Thursday 20/04 - Base Day AM: Dress Up's Come dressed up as your favourite character or delve into our new dress up box! PM: Giant blocks Explore, enjoy an accomplish endless play from construction, pretend play, role-playing and much more with giant blocks and parts!</p> <p>Friday 21/04 - Trip Day AM: Maidstone Max Swings, slides, a flying fox and sandpit, there's no shortage of fun and adventures to be had! PM: Movies It's the last day of the holidays, let's relax with a movie and popcorn at Monterey Cinema.</p>
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YES, OUR FINANCIAL ADVICE IS FREE!

I can provide advice about:

- ✓ KiwiSaver
- ✓ Life, Health & Disability Insurance

Our team can also help with:

- ✓ Home loans
- ✓ Commercial lending

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Community Outdoor BIG SCREEN

Movie Matinée + Family Picnic

SUNDAY 19 MARCH
 Wet weather postponement date TBC, Term 4
 Gates open at 12.00pm
 Movie starts at 1.00pm

Entry by Koha

Food & Drink Stalls available on the day or BYO picnic

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