

# Term 2

## Week 7 of 10

# Amuri Area School

*Kia Kitea Toikaka  
Nothing But The Best*

*Raising Achievement; Realising Potential; Encouraging Excellence*

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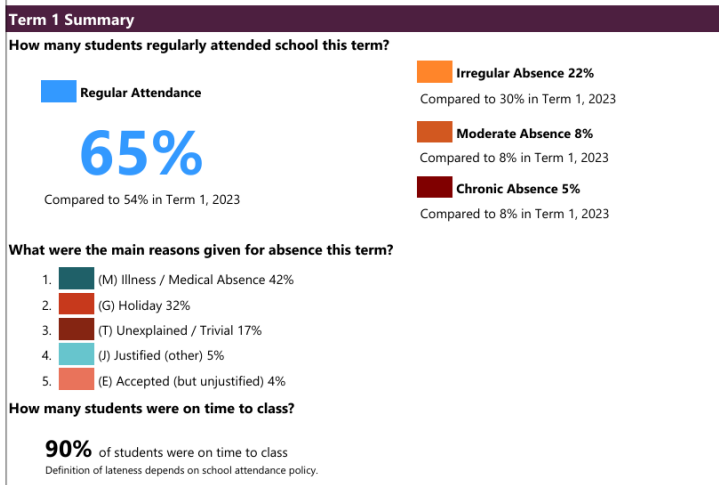


Kia ora koutou

This week has really felt like the depths of winter with cold and frosty starts and days that don't really warm up that much!

The last few weeks have been busy with field trips, sports trips and other exciting opportunities. It was great to see a large group of students from Years 7-11 head off to Kaikōura for a sports exchange on Tuesday. The students had fun and enjoyed the chance to compete with students from outside of the Hurunui.

At our last board meeting I shared our Term 1 attendance data. This is coming to us in a new format with the current government keeping attendance at school in the spotlight. Their goal is to see 80% of students attending school 90% of the time by 2030. I have shared a snapshot of our attendance below. It makes for interesting reading.



*Note: regular attendance is 90%; irregular 80-90%; moderate 70-80%; chronic below 70%.*

Interestingly, one day off every two weeks or 19 days across the school year is enough to place a student on that 90% mark. We do know that time off school is necessary for wellbeing, especially in the case of illness. We also know that non-attendance can have an impact on learning and progress. We are really keen to work in partnership with our school community to see our attendance rates get to above 80% of students attending 90% of the time. Our goal is to have engaging classes that encourage students to attend and support their progress. Our pastoral meetings include attendance as a focus and we will be communicating with families in situations where we feel that a lack of attendance is impacting progress.

A reminder that we will be sending mid-year reports home in Week 9. This will be followed by an opportunity to attend parent-teacher interviews in Week 10. A booking link and code for the interviews will be emailed home next week so that you can select a time to hold your interviews. To help with your planning the following details are relevant:

Interviews will be bookable between 3:40pm-5:30pm then 6:00pm-8:20pm on both Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd July (5:30pm-6:00pm is a dinner break for staff). Interviews will be 10 minutes in length

We encourage interviews to be in person; however, if you really are not able to make it into school, there will be an online option available.

We will confirm exact locations for each teacher; however, Year 1-6 interviews will be on the junior side and Year 7-13 interviews mostly in the gym or at another location on the senior side. We look forward to this opportunity to discuss and share progress with you.

Thank you to all of you who have been supporting the various fundraising initiatives that we have at present. This support for the students really is appreciated as it contributes to helping students attend amazing opportunities that are presented by the trips they will be going on.

Lastly, a reminder that our Matariki celebration dinner is being held on Monday 17th June and we have the public holiday on Friday 28th June. We look forward to seeing you at the celebration dinner if you are able to attend.

### **Achiever of the Month – May**

Kaden Tily (Room 5) – Kaden was nominated by several staff because of the hard work and focus that he has shown towards his learning. Kaden has shown diligence completing all of his work to his best standard. In addition, Kaden is a role model of all of the ASPIRE school values. Well done Kaden, you thoroughly deserve this recognition!



Kia kitea toikaka  
Matt Barlow  
Principal

## Newsletter No. 8 - w/e 14/06/2024

# Primary School News

Kia ora Parents and Whanau

It's fantastic to have new students among us and we'd like to welcome Skyla-Rose, Skyla-Faith, Maia and Colton who have all arrived into the Amuri area in the last few weeks. This week we welcomed Hunter who is our newest new entrant and he has joined Ms Jamieson and her growing class in Room 1. Welcome Hunter!

Last week I accompanied six primary Whanau leaders and four Year 7/8 leaders to the National Young Leader's Day in Christchurch. This day was part of a leadership programme for our young leaders and there were speakers and performers, all sharing their journey to leadership. I know that some of our students are preparing to present at primary assembly and share their experiences.



It's been lovely to welcome Mrs Shanks back to her part time position in our kura this term. We have missed her lovely smile and sense of humour. The children are delighted as Mrs Shanks has resumed lunch time activities one day a week and this week it was Mega Dodge Ball, it sounded like enormous fun!



Are your children missing a lunchbox or drink bottle? Or perhaps a small container from their lunchbox? I'm certain it's currently residing in our lost property box so please come in and have a look if you are missing anything. Items are always left in corridors and out in the playground and do make their way to lost property which lives in the breakout space in our main primary block. If the item is named, I can find the owner easily but much of what is in there currently is not named. I clean out the lost property at the end of each term and put uniform in the second-hand cupboard and other items get donated to charity.

Reports for all students in Years 1-8 are currently being proofread and will be emailed out from the 26th of June. Sometimes we find that reports get sent to your junkmail or spam folders so please check these regularly from that date in case this has happened. If there is no report, please ring the school office.

Keep warm this weekend!

Ngā mihi nui  
Kylee Habgood  
Deputy Principal - Primary School

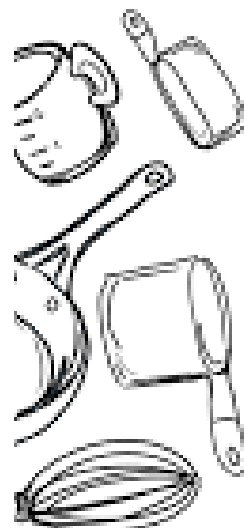
## \*\* WANTED \*\*

Old pots, pans, metal spoons, baking trays, colanders etc. These are

needed for our new mud kitchen in the Primary School.

Donations would be appreciated and dropped off to the School Office.

Thank you





# SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

Brrrrrr, it is definitely cold now that winter is here. The senior students are looking warm and smart in their insulated jumpers. If anyone is wanting to purchase these, they are available for order through the school office, still at wholesale price of \$98.00. It was a Board of Trustees decision to include these jumpers as part of our senior uniform to ensure that our students were warm enough during the cold winter months and to eliminate the need for students to wear puffer jackets to school that were unsightly and not part of the school uniform.

PIKE (Primary and Intermediate, Kaiāraha exchange) is a new initiative at Amuri for 2024 and is being led by our two Head Students. Activities have been developed to grow connections across the school and develop a tuākana tēina approach with our student leaders mentoring younger students.

Otago University Liaison 'Prajesh Chhanabhai' will be visiting Amuri area school on Tuesday 18th at 1pm in the school academy. Any student thinking about university for 2025 or 2026 should attend to get an overview of the process of applying for courses, halls of residence and scholarships, loans etc...

The first set of exams for the year for the National Literacy and Numeracy standards have now been completed and while we wait for the official results, work continues in our homeroom classes and subject classes to develop students' knowledge beyond where they are currently achieving.

The Senior Formal preparation is well under way and tickets are selling fast. Please get in quick to secure your tickets. The Year 13 formal committee have organized a great venue at Mt Lyford Lodge, a fantastic DJ and a reputable event photographer for the evening. The theme of a 'Night Under the Lights' has been enjoyable to create the stylisation and décor for the event. Be prepared for an extravagant night. Ticket sales close at 3:00pm on Friday 21st June.

The wearable arts competition is heating up, with junior and Form classes collecting and looking for recyclable items for their projects they are completing at school. We are looking for students, parents, Whanau and community members to take up the challenge in the open section of the competition. There is still time... Outfits are due on the first Monday of term 3 the 22nd of July, with the awards show on the 25th July. I am looking forward to seeing the creations come to life.

Nicole Peterson  
Deputy Principal - Secondary School

## Strive Rewards Roll of Honour

Tanveer Ali  
Zaki Aspe  
Chester Barroz  
Chloe Dela Vega  
Emily Fenemor-Halsey  
Shay Flapper  
William Hamilton  
Peyton Langford  
Marionne Libiano  
Pia Mercado  
Ziggy Paora  
Alfonso Ripa Pereira  
Liv Whittleston  
Kauri Wiperi  
Nicky Wiperi  
Jennafer Youngman

### First Merit

Eli Belton  
Gus Clisby  
Emily Colombus  
Kimberly Egmao  
Billy Jones  
Henry Lott  
Molly McKenzie  
Aggie Rutherford  
Sarina Woodhouse

## Dates for Your Diary

### June

17th	Years 12/13 Physics trip to Canterbury University
17th	Kapa Haka Matariki Dinner/Performance @ 5:00pm
18th	Prajesh from Otago University visit
18th	Year 11Ag trip to Eudunda
19th	Caverhill Assembly @ 2:00pm
22nd	Senior Formal at Mt Lyford Lodge
26th-27th	Year 7/8 Matariki Sleepover
26th	CPS Cross Country Champs
26th	Year 12/13 Ag trip to Hossack Downs
26th	Student Executive Meeting @ 1:00pm
26th-5th	Year 13 Geography trip to Australia
27th	CPS Cross Country Champs postponement
27th	Market Day
27th	NZ Playhouse for Year 1-6 students
28th	Matariki Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED

### July

2nd	Children's University Campus trip to UC
2nd-4th	Parent Teacher Interviews
5th	End of Term 2
7th-12th	NZ Area Schools in Te Awamutu
22nd	Start of Term 3

# **CANTERBURY SECONDARY SCHOOL'S CROSS COUNTRY**

Angela, Eli, Valerie, Alex, Gwen and Connor attended the Canterbury Secondary School's Cross Country at Ascot Park in fantastic conditions on Thursday. There was some outstanding running (and hurdling) to be seen.



Congrats to our highest placegetters - Angela who was 29th of 44 in the Senior Girls and Eli who was 28th of 47 in the Junior Boys.



## **MARKETDAY**



Thursday 27th of June 12 -2pm  
on senior side  
outside of school gym



**COME GET YOUR  
SLIME FROM  
SLIME KINGS  
FOR ONLY \$4**

There are many other things at marketday  
such as, cookies, candles, notebooks,  
body scrub, rocky road, wax strips and  
honey, book marks, jewellery, stickers,  
cake pops, sausage sizzle, coasters, slime  
face painting, lollies, and games.

**BRING YOUR CASH!!**



# CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP Results - 2024

OVER 15 GIRLS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Angela Barrois (16.00) Bianca Jamieson (16.14) Olivia Ferguson (19.46)
OVER 15 BOYS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tom Pearson (13.24) Bob Thompson (14.04) Toby Edwards (14.23)
UNDER 15 GIRLS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lillie (17.12) Jenny Bratschi (17.26) Macey Batchelor (18.24)
UNDER 15 BOYS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Eli Benton (14.23) Owen Lewis (15.19) Alex Shaw (15.35)
YEAR 7 & 8 GIRLS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Molly Schurrman (15.16) Tori Kelly (16.08) Emily C (16.09)
YEAR 7 & 8 BOYS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jake Van Der Heyden (15.08) Quinn Anderson (15.12) Caleb Green (15.13)
YEAR 5 & 6 GIRLS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ashleigh Clegg Harriet Rutherford Harper Abernethy
YEAR 5 & 6 BOYS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Riley Van Der Heyden William Hamilton Kees Flapper
YEAR 3 & 4 GIRLS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Zoe Green Aggie Rutherford Biddie Johnson
YEAR 3 & 4 BOYS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lachie Perry Mac Langford Jonty O'Neill
YEAR 2 GIRLS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Peyton Harwood Kenzie Colebrook Alexa Tabunar
YEAR 2 BOYS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cooper Nevins Naman Rana Jamie Gardiner
YEAR 1 GIRLS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Eva Johns Isobel Johns Penelope Schuurman
YEAR 1 BOYS	1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Freddy Whittle Archie Nevins Phoenix Bunt



**Caverhil**

**Mitchell**

**Hamilton**

1035

1221

1010

# Amuri Area School Wearable Arts Competition

Completed Garments due Monday 21st July, 9am to School Office

Showcase event 6.30pm on Thursday 25th July - All welcome \$10 Adults Entry & \$5 per child

## Spectacular Prizes to be won!



Sections

Year 5 & 8 Fantastical Capes



Year 1 to 4 - Magical Hats or Whimsical Masks



Class Challenge: Syndicate or FormClass - Creature Carnival

Open Student Section  
Trashon 'Trash to Fashion'

Individual or Group Entry



Open Section  
Community Challenge  
Junk to Funk, Neon 80's

Individual or Group Entry



Proceeds go towards Senior Students WOW trip to Wellington



# Soft Materials WoW trip fundraiser



SARAH BLACK



## Be in to win

### Beauty Treatment Raffle \$10 per ticket

The Soft Materials & Product Design students are heading to Wellington to see the World of Wearable arts show along with other enriching activities. The lucky winner of this raffle gets to choose either a set of cosmetically tattooed eyebrows or a set of three facial treatments (both options are worth up to \$600).

Payable in cash at the school office or into account 12-3616-0057391-00 with WOW Raffle as the reference. Raffle entries will close on June 30th and will be drawn by one of our local policemen.

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**MONTHLY**



**FREE**

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# Sport CONNECT



2:30-5pm- 2nd Sunday of every month (Starts April 14th)

Open to young people aged 12-24

Must live in the Hurunui

## Potential Activities:

Ultimate Frisbee - Disc golf - Bottle Rockets - Flinstone Karts  
ABL - Slack Lining - Cultural Games - Tabloids - Archery  
Minute to win it games - Invasion Games

Register at: [www.hurunui.govt.nz/hypsundays](http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/hypsundays)

Please note: You can register for individual dates, or them all!

Questions: [hyp@hurunui.govt.nz](mailto:hyp@hurunui.govt.nz)

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Dance  
Company

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR

# Winter Showcase

MID YEAR DANCE SHOW  
@ THE WAI AU TOWN HALL  
WELCOME FROM 6PM  
SHOW WILL START AT 6.30PM  
ON FRIDAY 5TH OF JULY

Donation on entry would be appreciated  
to help cover the show costs





## **Free Dental Care for Children** **including special information regarding Yr 8 students**

- One of our Community Dental Service mobiles will be visiting your school soon.
- We will be aiming to see that all children enrolled with the Community Dental Service have their dental care in the dental mobile while it is there
- **Year 8 students:** all year 8 students enrolled with the Community Dental Service are transferred from the Community Dental Service to a FREE private dentist from Year 9 until their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. To help with this transition please ensure you have informed your child of their family dentist (not orthodontist). This will enable us to transfer your child onto the correct dentist for Year 9 onwards. More information will be sent home after their Year 8 check-up.
- To do this we will be asking the school to provide your child's name, address and your contact information.
- The dental therapist will not only be checking the children's teeth but will also Xray, clean, and apply protective treatments fluoride and or Fissure sealants (coating put on teeth to prevent decay) if required
- If your child requires further dental care such as fillings they will bring home a 'Care Plan' which will explain what dental care is required.
- When you receive the "Care Plan" please contact our **Call Centre as soon as possible** as you will need to arrange a time to bring your child to one of our Community Clinics for this dental treatment.
- As this dental unit is required at another location in approximately \_\_\_\_ weeks we would appreciate your co-operation in attending the allocated appointment time(s) with your child. Should this not be possible treatment may need to be completed at another location.
- **Please also let us know ASAP if you wish to be present at your child's check up or if you do not wish your child to have any of the proposed dental care. You can phone 0800 846 983 or talk to the staff in the mobile**
- Please contact us if you want further information on the Community Dental Service, to enrol your child, or if you have any specific questions about your child's dental care

**To contact our Call Centre: phone 0800 846 983 / email [commdental@cdhb.health.nz](mailto:commdental@cdhb.health.nz)**



HURUNUI YOUTH PROGRAMME

July '24

# EVENTS

TUE  
9

Ice Skating \*

TUE  
16

Launchpad &  
Mall \*

WED  
10

Madagascar the  
Musical \*

WED  
17

Laserstrike \*

THUR  
11

Amuri Games  
Day

THUR  
18

Plunket Baby  
Sitting Course

Register now at: [www.hurunui.govt.nz/hypjuly](http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/hypjuly)

**All of these events are free!**

\*Includes transport from Amberley.  
Secure a spot fast, limited spaces.

**Ages 12 -24**

**Hurunui Residents**



MINISTRY OF  
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
TE MANATŪ WHAKAHIAŪ TAIOHI  
Administered by the Ministry of Social Development



Rātā  
Foundation



HURUNUI  
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# AMURI MOVIES

**SHREK (PG)**  
**10.00 - 11.30 AM**

**MAZE RUNNER (M)**  
**4:30 - 6:30PM**



**HYP**  
HURUNUI YOUTH PROGRAMME

**When:** Thursday 11th July

**Where:** Amuri Community Room

**Who:** Anyone aged 12-24

**Cost:** FREE to attend. Kai (snacks) available to purchase.

**Register at:**  
**[www.hurunui.govt.nz/hypmovies](http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/hypmovies)**

\*ALL PROCEEDS GO TO CANCER SOCIETY

# Hato Hone St John Annual Appeal

**Right now we need to raise funds to help build and repair ambulance stations across the country.**

Please give generously this Annual Appeal to help Light the Way.

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**the way**  
Annual Appeal

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<https://lighttheway.stjohn.org.nz/st-john-amuri>

**Please note that anything donated to this QR code will stay local.**



Hato Hone St John does not provide ambulance services in Wellington or Wairarapa regions.



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St John**