

Term 2
Week
4 of 10

Amuri Area School

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Kia ora Koutou

Today is pink shirt day and it is wonderful to see so many students and staff wearing pink to support the anti-bullying message that pink shirt day promotes. I recently read the following quote in relation to this:

'Bullying is a serious issue in New Zealand. Every year, one in 10 workers report they have been bullied at work and Aotearoa has the third-highest rate of school bullying out of 36 OECD countries'.
<https://mentalhealth.org.nz/our-campaigns/pink-shirt-day>

This is not ok! As a school community we want to 'speak up, stand together and stop bullying.' Students are encouraged to be upstanders, speaking up when they see bullying occurring as well as demonstrating kindness to others even when there are differences or disagreements. We also encourage students to tell a trusted adult if there is someone who is bullying them or others.

There is a clear link between the anti-bullying message and our school value of respect. I would also suggest that there is a link to our value for this term 'Excellence.' The Oxford dictionary describes excellence as the quality of being outstanding or extremely good. When we acknowledge that an action is not right and stand up for others then we are demonstrating excellence as well as respect.

Speaking of excellence, we are looking forward to the school production High School Musical starting next week. This is going to be an amazing show! I want to acknowledge the hard work the cast has been putting into rehearsals and practice. I would also like to acknowledge Ros Kelly the director, Ms Campbell who is the teacher in charge of the production, Mrs Peterson who has been creating amazing costumes, Mr Black along with Eve and Tony, who have been constructing the set, Janine who has been organising tickets as well as many other staff and parents who have volunteered their time to make the production happen! Make sure you get tickets to one of the performances!

It was fantastic to see 15 senior students selected for the Top of the South team for the upcoming NZ Area Schools Tournament in Rangiora. Thank you

to those of you who hosted billets for the trials.

I would like to extend my thanks to our community as we continue to navigate the current industrial action in the education sector. This is likely to continue in the near future as the Government and Unions try to reach a settlement.

Kia kitea toikaka

Matt Barlow
Principal

Dates for Your diary

May

- 22nd-2nd Wool Shed Sustainability container
- 22nd HPSSA Cross Country
- 22nd Year 1-6 Storyquest Performance
- 24th Year 11-13 to Careers Expo Chch
- 24th HPSSA Cross Country Postponement
- 25th I-Sport Foundation trip
- 25th-27th High School Musical Production
- 28th-30th Year 12 OE Multi Day Tramp
- 31st Student Executive Meeting @ 1:15pm

June

- 1st CSS Cross Country
- 1st Mitchell Assembly @ 10:00am
- 2nd CCHS Indoor Tournament
- 4th-6th Year 12 OE Multi Day Tramp Postponement
- 5th Kings Birthday - SCHOOL CLOSED
- 7th Life Education Presentations - Yr 9-10
- 7th Board of Trustees Meeting @ 6:00pm
- 17th-18th SISS Swimming
- 19th Kapa Haka Matariki Performance and Dinner
- 21st CPS Cross Country
- 21st NZ Playhouse Visit - Year 1-6 @ 11:00am
- 23rd Caverhill Assembly @ 2:00pm
- 26th Kapa Haka Matariki Performance and Dinner Postponement
- 26th Tekoa trip to Kaikoura
- 27th-29th Parent Teacher Interviews
- 28th School Photos
- 30th End of Term 2

July

- 17th Term 3 Begins

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Secondary School News

Careers Expo

Hurunui District council is co-hosting the North Canterbury Careers Expo on the 24th May at Rangiora High School. The event is open from 4pm until 8pm. The event is targeted specifically to our local youth and will cover career opportunities within both the Hurunui and Waimakariri districts, alongside further education providers. If you are unsure about where to from school, I would recommend this event as a good place to start and get ideas.

We will be running a bus to the event from Amuri for parents and students interested in attending. Our bus will be leaving Amuri at 3.45pm after the school bus run. It will take us to Rangiora and then leave to return to Amuri at 7pm. There are still places available on the bus if you would like to attend.

Careerwise

As a school we have just started a trial with an online career resource called Careerwise. We will be using this platform to send out newsletters about career opportunities, events and pathway support for our students in the senior school. You should have received our first newsletter from Careerwise earlier last week. Please check your emails for this.

Student Advocacy

At the beginning of the year I was approached by a Year 10 student Mitch McKenzie. He expressed his unhappiness around the school uniform and being cold during winter months and that he would like to see a jumper available similar to a 'Back-road' jersey. I explained to Mitch that there was a process that needed to be followed around changing the uniform code set by the Board of Trustees and he was resolute in attempting to put forward his idea.

With the help of the Year 13 student leadership group, a proposal was put together. Research was completed in sourcing a product at the manufacturers cost of \$98.00 and this idea was passed through the student leadership group for consensus of approval, then to our Board of Trustees for consideration. At the latest Board meeting, a black, unbranded windbreaker was approved as an addition to our senior uniform.

Please note that it is not a compulsory item, but more and additional pieces are available. If you

would like to order, please complete an order form available at the school office. The school does have a hardship fund available for families in financial difficulty. Please let me know if you would like some support in accessing this.

Within one week of this item being available, we have had orders for over 50 items.

Amuri Areas School Secondary students would like the Board of Trustees to consider an amendment to our school uniform pieces, to include a Black wollen windbreaker jumper. As seen in the attached photographs.

It is suggested that the jumper is worn under the school jacket to external events / trips, as such it would not need to be embroidered with the school logo, therefore keeping the costs to \$85 + GST direct from the manufacturer of MKM and Backroad brands (Manawatu Knitting Mills)

Students and Staff have provided feedback via a survey, as you can see from the results, there is outstanding support for this item to be considered by the BoT.



WINDBREAKER

SKU
MS1745

Size
XS / S / M / L / XL / 2XL / 3XL

Fabric
Outer: 100% Pure NZ Wool
Inner: 100% Polyester Lining

Made from 100% NZ wool and comes with a durable weather resistant lining.

Modelled by Mitch McKenzie & Shelby Rutherford Menzies

WEATHER RESISTANT LAYERS

Pure Wool with Polyester Lining:
Hardwearing and heavyweight for ultimate outdoor performance

Outer:
100% Pure NZ Wool
Lining:
100% Polyester Lining

Designed to withstand all types of weather. Made from 100% NZ wool and comes with a durable weather resistant lining.

These layers will keep you warm and dry when the nastiest weather blows in.

Mitch McKenzie & Shelby Rutherford-Menzies modelling the black windbreaker jersey for the proposal they put forward to the Board of Trustees.

School

We are looking forward to the school production next week. A huge thank you to all those involved putting in extra time outside of school to pull off the performance. Tickets are still available through our main office.

Production

Mrs Peterson
Deputy Principal - Secondary

Primary School News

Kia ora Parents and Whanau

After a very successful school cross country we have a large group of Year 3-8 students heading off to compete in the HPSSA (Hurunui zone) cross country next Monday the 22nd of June. We wish them all the best of luck! The postponement day for this is Wednesday the 24th of May.

We have a growing number of enrolments to start in the first week of June. Things have been quiet during the covid years, but it seems there is more movement this year. If you are intending to move and will be leaving the area, please let us know. If you are employing new staff with school aged children, please encourage them to pre enrol their children so we can plan for their arrival. We appreciate your support with this as it makes a huge difference to our class sizes if we can plan in advance.

Thanks to everyone for their support around school uniform. The primary team have noticed a real improvement in uniform. We are still getting the odd item sneaking through, especially now winter sport has started. Please support our team in making sure your children are wearing the correct uniform and if you're having difficulty, please come in and speak to your child's teacher or to me. We are happy to support where we can. The Year 9-13 students have a new option of a plain wool jersey which was approved, with conditions, by our Board of Trustees last week. This option is ONLY for Year 9-13 students and not Year 1-8.

Next week sees the start of our school production "High School Musical". We wish all our cast and support team the best of luck with the performances and hope to see many of you there to see the work that has gone into making it happen. Please note there will be no primary assemblies during the school production and we have a full school assembly timetabled for Friday the 23rd of June. The primary assemblies for the remainder of the term are listed below.

Term 2

19 May - Production

26 May - Production

2 Jun - Room 6

9 Jun - Room 2

16 Jun - Room 1

23 Jun - Full School Assembly (Caverhill) 2pm

30 Jun - Room 5

A huge and warm welcome to Eva who has turned 5 and started school with Ms Jamieson in Room1. Welcome to Amuri Eval

Ngā mihi nui
Kylee Habgood
Deputy Principal - Primary



We are having a two-week book amnesty for lost and misplaced reading books. In the last two terms a large number of our instructional reading books have gone missing. We would request that all families have a search at home for any school books. If any books are found please return them to school.

Roll of Honour

Harper Absalom | Julia Black

Lily Black | Jamie Cannell

Gus Clisby | Thomas Croft

Kate Easton | Shay Flapper

Beth Harris | Alysha Hepi-Te Huia

Grace Johnston | Isaac Kelly

Ella Lauder | Arthur Milne

Bella Newall | Kurt Ogena

Jackson Schenkel | Campbell Smith

Lottie Smith | Siena Wayne

Jackson Wilkes | Sachi Wilkes

1st Merit

Quinn Anderson

Julia Black

Jack Cater

James Clark

Tazmin Emsley

Lilly Frame

William Hamilton

Isaac Kelly

Riley Mason

Lily Neppelenbroek

Issy Pinckney

Hank Reed

Harriett Rutherford

Emma Schroder-Brown

Molly Schuurman

Jennafer Youngman

AMURI AREA SCHOOL presents

Disney

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Tickets so hot they're melting



Directed by
Roz Kelly

Thursday 25th May 7pm
Friday 26th May 7pm
Saturday 27th May 2pm

Adult: \$20
Child: \$10

Family: (2 adults, 2 children) \$50

Tickets available from the School Office

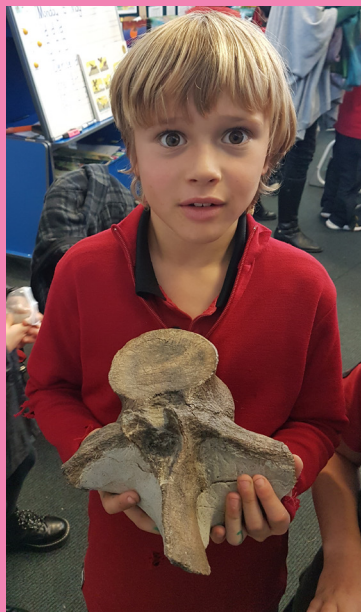
email: office@amuri.school.nz or phone 03-315 8233

Book by David Simpatico Songs by Matthew Gerrard & Robbie Nevil; Ray Cham, Greg Cham & Andrew Seeley; Randy Petersen & Kevin Quinn Andy
Dodd & Adam Watts; Bryan Louiselle; David N. Lawrence & Faye Greenberg; Jamie Houston Music Adapted, Arranged & Produced by Bryan Louiselle
Based on a Disney Channel Movie Written by Peter Barsocchini

Notice regarding
Lowry Peaks Bus
run on Wednesday
24th May 2023

Next Wednesday the Lowry Peaks bus, which connects with Meg's bus, will leave Amuri Area School 15 minutes earlier in the afternoon due to a bus charter issue. Meg's bus will run earlier as well. Trevor Devine has been contacted.

Photos from Morne,
the fossil hunter visit
to Tekoa



News from Bob Thompson attending the
Division 2 National Swimming
Championships in Wellington May 2023

Racing 11 events and 4 relays over 5 days.

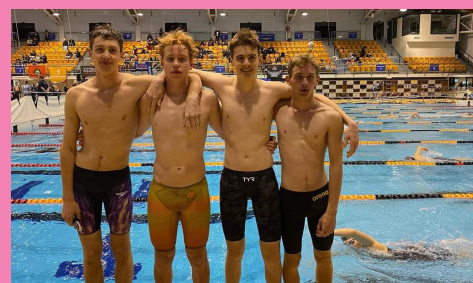
With 2 days racing left. Bob has achieved 7 pbs

An individual Gold in the 100wm breaststroke

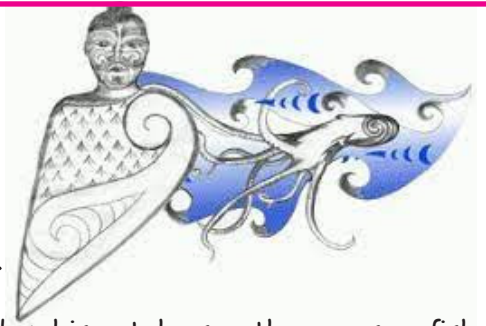
An individual silver in the 50m Breaststroke

A team Gold in the 4 x 50m Freestyle relay

A team Silver in the 4 x 50m Medley relay (where he swam the freestyle)



Tekoa were learning about the discovery of New Zealand last term. They listened to the story of the discovery of Aotearoa by the first Maori people. The story is called "Kupe and the Giant Wheke." They wrote the story in their own words....



There was a man named Kupe.

His face was grim because every time he went fishing there would be nothing but slime. It was green and sticky.

His wife told him to go to Muturangi. He walked to the other side of the island. Kupe walked for hours, then he spotted Muturangi.

"Hey Muturangi."

"Huh, who, show yourself. "

"It's just Kupe. I want you to keep Te Wheke on your side of the island."

He thought.

"NO!" said Muturangi.

"Fine, I'll have to kill Wheke."

"Ok, but he will kill you first."

He walked back. He said, "Let's take the big waka, let's set sail."

They saw Te Wheke.

Te Wheke wrapped his tentacles around the waka. Kupe hit Te Wheke, then had a spell so he told it to Wheke. He can go across the water.

After days and weeks, Hine Te Aparangi saw a long cloud. "Land," they said. "Wait, we still have to catch Te Wheke."

Finally they saw Wheke. Te Wheke went for the waka!

Kupe threw the calabashes in the water. Wheke thought it was people falling into the water, so he went for them. Kupe got his mere and hit him.

Wheke fell limp.

By Aizelle

Year 4



Kupe went out to get fish the third time, but his net was empty, there was only slime in the net.

He was so frustrated, so he went to Muturangi and said, "I have had enough, I'm going to kill Wheke, he keeps eating my fish." "No, don't."

"You could train him."

"I won't."

So, he told his wife what happened. They took the big waka. The kids got a lot of calabashes and plenty of food. They put the supplies in the waka. They went to the sea to find Wheke. When they found him, he put his tentacles over the waka. Kupe made a spell so he would swim in the surface. He went through night and morning. He found Aotearoa. Wheke hid in a cave while Kupe was sleeping. The next day, he woke up early and went to kill Wheke. He got the big waka and went to the sea. When they found him, Kupe threw a lot of calabashes and Wheke thought it was people and grabbed it. Kupe threw the mere, then Wheke was killed.

By Yenzil

Year 3

As Kupe pulled up his net, he saw there was no fish in the net! There was only green slime, so he went to tell his wife that there was green slime in the net.

She said, "It is octopus' slime".

Then she said, "Who has a pet octopus?"

Muturangi said, "Kupe."

So he went to the other side of the island to tell Muturangi what had happened. When he got there, Kupe said to Muturangi, "I have no fish to give my family because your octopus is eating the fish. Can you keep Te Wheke to your side of the island?"

"No," said Muturangi. "I will not, because then my side will have no fish."

"Then I will have to kill Te Wheke," said Kupe.

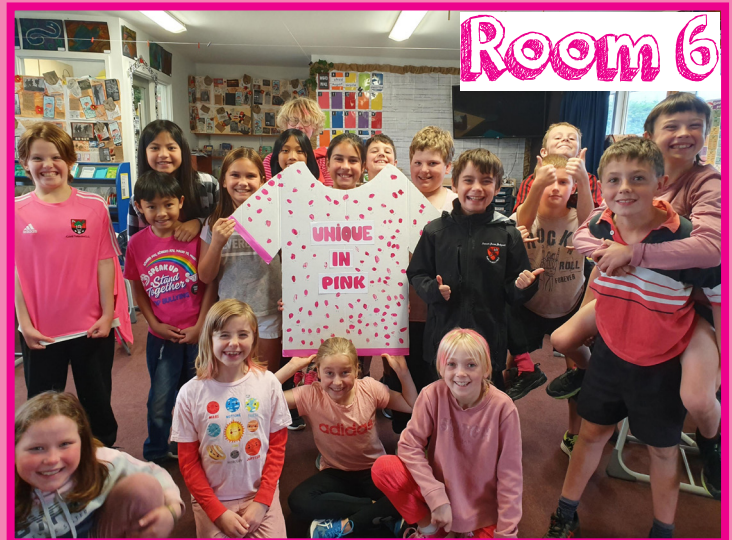
"But I bet Te Wheke will kill you first", said Muturangi.

So Kupe set off to kill Te Wheke. Kupe went to his side of the island to tell his wife that they had to kill Te Wheke. "We need a bigger waka to kill Te Wheke." The next morning, he got a bigger waka. Then they set off on their journey. They chased Te Wheke for days and nights and weeks. Te Wheke kept on diving, so Kupe decided to cast a spell on Te Wheke to stop diving. When they had been following Te Wheke for a long time, Kupe's wife said, "Look, a long white cloud. It must be land." Then she said, "I am going to name it Aotearoa." Then they put the waka on the beach and went to bed. The next morning, Kupe saw that Te Wheke had escaped at night. Then he followed Te Wheke and cornered him. Te Wheke tangled his tentacles around the waka and made a hole in the waka and it filled with water. Kupe had to get the calabashes and started to fill them with water. Then he chucked the calabashes into the water. Te Wheke thought they were people and grabbed them. Kupe hit Te Wheke with his mere and he was dead.

By Biddie Johnson

Year 3

Pink Shirt Day 2023



ART COMPETITION

CALL FOR ENTRIES
DUE 28 JULY 2023

2023 Theme

UNDER THE WATER

Prizes sponsored by
The Drawing Room

Entry Forms, further information and competition rules are available from your local Library, or on Facebook \ Amuri-Community-Arts-Council

All art must be:

- ★ original works in any medium
- ★ less than one year old
- ★ not exhibited in Hurunui
- ★ no greater than 1m x 1m
- ★ entrants must be over 18

Any queries contact: elizabethyp.ACAC@gmail.com

Fundraiser - Pie and Lamingtons Orders

Looking for quick and easy dinner and a treat for lunch coming into the cooler months. Tamzyn is doing a pie and lamington fundraiser. Order are due back 4th June 2023 with delivery on 19th June. For orders, please either contact Janine at the school office or Rebecca at murdochtribe@xtra.co.nz



Fresh Family Pies

FUNDRAISER \$8.50 Each

10 GREAT FLAVOURS!

Proceeds to support TAMZYN MURDOCH who will be attending the Children's General Assembly in Denmark in September 2023.

Please make payment to 03-0674-0404028-004 using your surname as the reference.

Date of Delivery: 19th June 2023

ORDERS CLOSE
4th June

NAME	DELIVERY ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER	CHICKEN, CREAM CHEESE AND CHILLI	MINCE, CHEESE AND RELISH	VEGETARIAN	MINCE	STEAK	APPLE	APRICOT	APPLE CRUMBLE	APPLE & BOYSENBERRY	BOYSENBERRY & APPLE CRUMBLE W/ Chocolate	TOTAL \$	PAID	DELIVER TO



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The latest from Listening to Families

May 2023.

Website

<https://www.listeningtofamilies.co.nz/>

You Tube

<https://www.youtube.com/@Listeningtofamilies>

The Listening to families' videos provide answers to families' questions about a range of mental health challenges facing children and adolescents. The videos within each topic record a conversation and are arranged in chapters for quick reference.

Current topics

ADHD	Matt Eggleston (Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist) answers questions from parents, students and teachers.
Anxiety	Fiona Prest (Clinical Psychologist) answers parent's questions.
Autism	Catherine Swan (Developmental Paediatrician), Helen Wagstaff (Autism Coordinator), and Sharyn Gousmett (Educational Psychologist) answer families' questions. A mother of two autistic children shares the story of her journey with Helen Wagstaff (Autism Coordinator).
CAF	Valerie Black (Clinical Director) answers families' questions about interacting with CAF (Child, Adolescent and Family Mental Health Service).
CFS	Professor Warren Tate answers families' questions about ME/ Chronic Fatigue Syndrome.
Eating disorders	Heidi Brace (Adolescent Family Therapist) answers families' questions about Eating disorders and Disordered eating. Ursula McCulloch Consultant Clinical Psychologist answers families' questions about ARFID and Fussy eating.
Emotion Regulation	Jessica Caldwell (Psychologist) answers families' questions.
General Practice	Students from the Youth Advisory Council provide tips for adolescents on getting the most out of an appointment with a General Practitioner.
Muslim	Najah Ali Mohamed (Nurse) and Zeenah Adam (Clinical Psychologist) answer questions about stress. Dr Amin Daneshfar, (Physical Health Coach) and Dr Isa Sulaiman-Hill (General Practitioner) discuss Muslim Wellbeing.

Further topics

Topics currently being progressed include Anxiety (Adolescents), Autism (Explore, LifeLinks, MoE), Gender Diversity, Sensory Processing, Sleep.

Feedback

There has been very positive feedback from families, the community, education and health. Autism - *This is going to be an absolute God send to all neurodiverse carers. Especially the new parents/carers, who have just received a diagnosis. I wish something like this was available 8 years ago.*

There is a contact form on the website for providing feedback. Thank you ☺

MURDOCH'S BINGO

Fundraising for Tamzyn to
get to the Children's General Assembly

Friday, 26th May
6.00pm-10.30pm
Waiau Town Hall

\$20 per ticket -
2 free Bingo Cards and continuous Supper

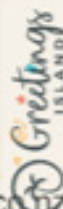
Extra Bingo Cards \$3.00 each
Super Bingo Cards \$5.00 each

Super Bingo - win \$150

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Cash Bar available

Please email for tickets: murdochtribe@xtra.co.nz



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