

Term 3
Week
1 of 10

Amuri Area School

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Kia ora Koutou

Mānawatia a Matariki!

Welcome back everyone to Term 3. I hope that you all had an enjoyable holiday break and that your children feel rested and ready for a busy term ahead. There are a lot of things to look forward to including the following examples:

- The senior formal this coming weekend. I would like to commend the Year 13 students who have been working hard to plan and prepare for this event. The formal is from 6-10pm at the Hanmer Springs Hotel.
- Our Matariki celebration and Kapa Haka performance this Friday afternoon.
- The 7 aside tournament at Hurunui College.
- The North Canterbury Kapa Haka Festival.
- Various field trips.
- The Senior derived grade exams and course selections for next year.

During the holidays I was able to attend part of the NZ Area Schools' Tournament held in Rangiora. It was awesome to see our students in action and I congratulate all those who made both South Island and NZ Teams. These were well-deserved selections and a testament to the effort that was put in.

This week I was delighted to receive some correspondence from a former student who is currently studying at Otago University. I have included an excerpt from his letter below:

"I would like to say how well prepared I have felt for university after attending Amuri, although it has been a bit of a change going from three hundred and forty students to over twenty thousand. I have also been able to use information that I learnt in Year 12 and 13 during my exams which is a testament to the quality of teaching at Amuri. The PTA Scholarship has been vital to fund my studies and I would highly recommend that any future Amuri students who may be considering further study apply for it. I truly believe that both academically and socially Amuri is

able to provide an effective preparation for life outside of school."

This was so encouraging to read and it made me feel grateful for the wonderful staff we have here along with the opportunities that they provide for our students. We are also supported by a dedicated Board, PTA and the wider community. We are so appreciative of this support and it is encouraging to hear feedback like we have received above.

A reminder that our Amuri value for this term is 'Self Discipline.' This is a quality that is useful in all contexts in life whether it be study, sport, hobbies or work. When we develop good self-discipline, it becomes an asset that can be used to achieve success. There are many parts to self-discipline. In the school context this can look like being prepared or organised, meeting deadlines and keeping our attention and focus on the tasks that are in front of us. I encourage you to have conversations with your children about this important value and how they might display self-discipline at both school and at home.

Bus reminders: If your child catches the school bus could you please ensure they are ready at the collection point at least 5 minutes prior to the scheduled arrival time of the bus. This will help ensure that they don't miss the bus. In many cases it is difficult and unsafe for the bus to turn back or reverse to collect children who may have missed the bus passing. Please also remind older students to let the younger students on first.

All the best to Bob Thompson who is competing at the NZ Secondary Schools' Swimming Champs in Wellington this weekend.

Kia kitea toikaka

Matt Barlow
Principal

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Secondary School News

Welcome to Term 3! A special welcome to our new students that have started Amuri this week.

Term 3 is always a time for students to consolidate and refine their learning and skills that they have gathered in the first half of the school year. To measure their progress and give formative feedback before the November external exams, we will be holding internal 'Derived Grade exams' in the week of the 4th of September. This will affect Year 10 students and upwards. Congratulations to Sean Moriarty who has been selected to represent New Zealand in the Oceania games in November in shooting. What an awesome achievement. Well done, Sean!

Congratulations to our Year 12 and 13 students who have been working hard towards their goals of transitioning from school into their future careers and have achieved their next steps. We bid farewell to Tamaikoha Pouwhare this week as he joins Kyle Wilson as an apprentice electrician.

We also heard that one of our head students has gained an early provisional entry into Broadcasting School for 2024. Congratulations Regan Clark. This is alongside Sam Bush who has been accepted into a diploma in Architectural technology with ARA for 2024. A huge congratulations to all of these students and I look forward to seeing pathways open for all our other seniors as the year progresses.

Now is the time for Year 13's to apply for University courses, for scholarships and for entry into halls of residences for the 2024 learning year. Please check the careers letters that come out for up-to-date relevant information to help support your child with these applications.

As you receive this many students in Years 11, 12 and 13 are preparing for the annual Amuri school formal, this year being held at Hanmer Hotel on Saturday the 22nd July. I personally look forward to this event and will enjoy viewing the amazing attire of the attendees. While we have met with the students and discussed safe, responsible behaviour expectations, we hope that as whanau you will be having similar conversations to support this message.

One of the discussion points has been around friends 'watching out for each other' in social situations out-

side of the home and school environment. I encourage all of our young people to continue to do this and if they have concerns or are not sure how to handle a situation reach out and talk to an adult or utilise the services of Youthline. Free Call 0800 376 633 or free text 234, email talk@youthline.co.nz.

We have a number of upcoming fundraisers to support student trips this term and welcome parent and whanau support with these. Look out for information on these in the newsletters and on the school facebook page.

Mrs Peterson
Deputy Principal - Secondary

Roll of Honour

Brody Batchelor | Macey Batchelor
Milah Campion | Jack Cannell
Reuben Chinnery | Isaac Colebrook
Clare Frame | Eva Johns
Issac Lamont | Daniela Panganoron
Charles Paragas | Greta Reed
Bob Thompson | Gypsy Thornton
Madison Wayne | Ava Wilson
Liv Whittleston

1st Merit

Harper Abernethy
Nilo Ackermann-Ffrench | Zoe Bailey
Alicia Barlow | Safira Barroz
Macey Batchelor | Maddie Bell
Lily Black | Leighton Chinnery
Bonnie Collins | William Cromie
Sam Currie | Elizabeth De Beer
Khean Garces | Rylee Gavin
Ruby Glassey | Beth Harris
Alysha Hepi-Te Huia | Issac Lamont
Jake Van der Heyden | Madison Wayne
Mackenna Williamson

Primary School News

Kia ora Parents and Whanau

Welcome back to Term 3. We know that this term can be the most challenging for some of our school whanau and we wish those who are starting the busy calving and lambing season all the best for this! A reminder that we have the food warmer that can heat lunches for children. Please ensure all lunches are well wrapped in foil and are clearly named. The school canteen is also available daily and the order forms are located by the orders box in the primary breakout space.

This term we in Year 1-6 we are teaching 'Keeping Ourselves Safe'. This is a Health unit we teaching to all children every two years. The unit is designed to teach children about keeping themselves safe in different situations. Class teachers and/or classroom release teachers will be teaching the unit. Please ask your class teacher who will be teaching this unit to your child.

The children will learn

- to work out when their safety is at risk
- how to keep safe when they meet and mix with other people
- who and how to ask for help if they, or someone they know, is being abused
- to go on asking for help until someone does something to stop the abuse
- that it is important to make and follow personal, family and school safety rules

They will know:

- that abuse is never okay
- that abuse is never their fault

Here is a link to the parents/whanau page for Keeping Ourselves Safe on the New Zealand Police website:

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-and-community-advice/school-portal/resources/successful-relationships/info-parents-whanau>

Copies of both programmes for Year 1-3 and 4-6 will be available in the school office for you to come in and read if you wish to know more. We have booked Constable Ken Terry, our Police Education Officer to come into the school to teach two lessons of the units for each class this term. Please feel free to contact us if you have any further questions.

The primary assemblies for the remainder of the term are listed below.

Term 3

21 Jul - Room 3 (Matariki)
28 July - Room 4
4 Aug - Singing
11 Aug - Maths Week, no assembly
18 Aug (pp day for 7 aside) Singing
25 Aug - Room 1
1 Sept - Room 5
8 Sept - Room 6
15 Sept - Room 7 (Māori Language Week)
22 Sept - Room 2

Term 4

13 Oct - Room 4
20 Oct - Singing
27 Oct - Primary Athletics
3 Nov - Room 7
10 Nov - Room 6
17 Nov - Show Weekend
24 Nov - Room 2
1 Dec - Terako (Leavers Assembly)

Thank you to parents and whanau who met with us at the end of last term for parent interviews. Our teachers enjoyed meeting with you over the two days and we hope that the conversations and information was useful to you. Communication is always available with our staff, via Seesaw or email, so please keep in touch if there is anything you would like us to know.

A huge and warm welcome to the following students...

Vince has joined Room 3 with Miss Allison and Wiki, Lewis and Phoenix have all started their school journey with Ms Jamieson in Room 1. Welcome to our new Amurians!

Ngā mihi nui
Kylee Habgood
Deputy Principal - Primary

AMURI AREA SCHOOL PTA CALF SCHEME 2023

Our Calf Scheme we run every year is our No. 1 fundraiser for our school. Every year, thanks to your generous support, we raise in excess of \$30,000.00. All money raised goes to classroom resources, school excursions or any other needs within the school.

If you are keen to donate to this years' scheme, please let us know and we will get tags to you.

If you would rather make a monetary donation, as any donation is greatly appreciated, please donate through online banking using your surname and first name as reference, code CALF. Our bank account number is 03-1582-0069597-00.

If you are after a tag or two or need any further information, please contact Vicky Hamilton on 021-134-1793 or Fiona Dwyer on 027-260-2027. Please note that you will need to ensure all donated stock are NAIT tagged.

Thank you to FarmSource, Livestock Exchange and Amuri Transport for sponsoring this scheme.



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Help your community to vote in this year's General Election! The Electoral Commission needs people with different skills and backgrounds to help deliver the 2023 General Election. Whether you want to work for several weeks or just for a day, there's a variety of options to suit you.

The Amuri Area School - Community Room will be a voting place for the Kaikōura electorate, and you can apply today:

work.elections.nz

Please note our school name in the reference field. Thanks

BE IN TO WIN!



The Year 7/8 syndicate has a glorious grocery raffle underway until the end of Week 2. If you want to be in to win one of two awesome boxloads, tickets are available at the school office

\$2.00 each

We'd be hugely grateful for your support!

Piano Lessons with Andrea



Andrea currently has lesson times available. If you would like your child to learn the piano, please get in touch with Andrea either by

Phone: 020 4035 8805 or
Email: hooperandrea4@gmail.com

Dates for Your Diary

July

- 21st Kapa Haka Matariki Dinner and Performance at Amuri Area School from 4:00pm
- 22nd Senior Formal - Hanmer Springs
- 25th Yr 1-4 Cricket sessions with Liam
- 28th School Fundraiser Quiz Night in Hanmer Springs for Soft Materials trip to Wellington in October

August

- 2nd NC Cantamaths - Ohoka School
- Student Executive Meeting at 1:00pm
- Board of Trustees Meeting at 6:00pm
- 4th Hamilton Assembly @ 10:00am
- 8th Ethics Olympiad Training Day
- 7th-11th Amuri Maths Week
- 10th Jake Bailey Speaking to Year 9-13 students
- 14th School Photos
- 14th 11Ag Field Trip to Iverachs Road, Rotherham
- 16th 7-Aside at Hurunui College
- 17th NC Kapa Haka Festival at Ohoka
- 18th 7-Aside at Hurunui College POSTPONEMENT
- 23rd Mitchell Assembly @ 9:00am
- 27th-1st SISS Senior Netball Tournament, Invercargill

Heart Foundation JUMPING JUNE



Thank you to everyone who supported Jumping June at Amuri Area School.

Together we raised \$879.00 for the Heart Foundation!



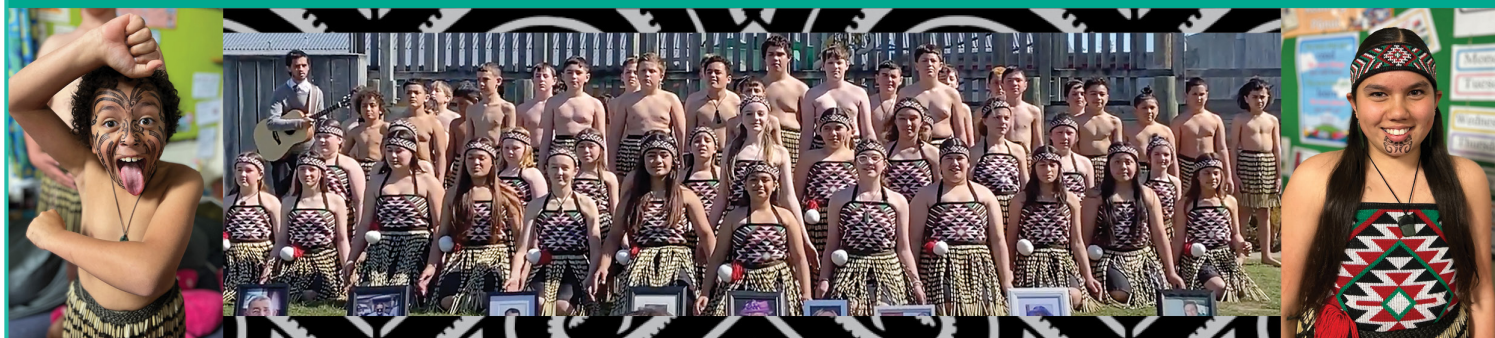
Tuahiwi Kā Matakura O Ruataniwha 2023

North Canterbury Kapa Haka Celebration

THURSDAY 17th & FRIDAY 18th AUGUST

Held at 261 Jacksons Road Ohoka

Tickets \$10 available from Te Kura o Tuahiwi office
or at a participating school office



RAFFLES • SAUSAGE SIZZLE • BAKE SALE • LOLLY BAGS

Please show your support to help Te Kura o Tuahiwi continue to provide
this amazing Kapa Haka Celebration for you all!

- CASH ONLY -

☎ 03 313 8521

✉ office@tuahiwi.school.nz





Amuri Area School Fundraiser

Supporting the Soft Materials Level 1&2
students for their Wellington trip in October
school holidays

Friday the 28th of July

6.30pm Start

At the Hanmer Springs Hall

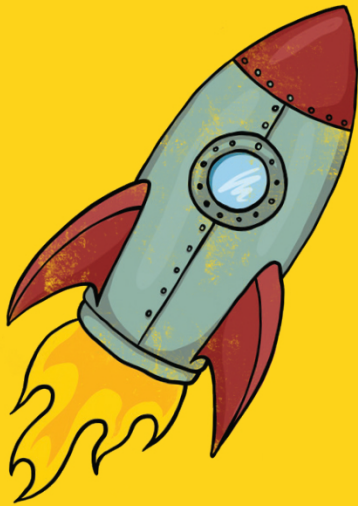
Tickets available from the school office:

office@amuri.school.nz

Snacks and Non Alcoholic Beverages
included!

\$20 Per person
4-6 people per team

PRIZES!



Want next level parenting strategies?

Parenting is a joy, but it can also be challenging. Some new tools and support can make a big difference!

Incredible Years is a parenting programme for parents of 3 to 8 year old children who would love to connect with other parents, learn new parenting strategies as well as work alongside two child specialists who facilitate the programme.

Incredible Years is a 14 week programme, which is a real strength. It gives parents time to implement the parenting strategies with support every step of the way. It also means that real connections form amongst the group - much like Plunket groups when our babies were very young.

Supported by the Ministry of Education, Incredible Years is **FREE** for parents to attend.

Incredible Years is one of the most researched parenting programmes available in New Zealand. The outcomes parents can expect from the programme include:

- Building a closer bond between you and your child
- Growing your child's social skills in order that they can make friends
- Developing our child's ability to manage those BIG emotions
- Understanding how to encourage your child's learning and support them to persist with challenging tasks.

Two of our facilitators



**Anna
Mowat**

Anna's background is in English and psychology. She works across several national projects focussed on parenting and child wellbeing. She's also a Mum based in Peel Forest, where you'll see her zoom in from. Anna is the director of Real Parents and Real Collective.



**Kate
Jones**

Kate is a social worker with extensive experience working with parents and kids. She manages our Real Parents team including all of our Incredible Years groups across Canterbury, she's also our most popular parent coach. Kate enjoys hanging with her 3 year old, and drinking coffee.

Available Online

Starting Term 3
Fridays 9:30-11am

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