

Rāpare, 17 Akuhata 2023/ Thursday, 17 August 2023

Kia Ora Tatou

It has been a busy fortnight with a number of successes worthy of mention.

Thank you to all those parents who signed off on the acts of kindness carried out last week by students. It was a pleasure to share some of these heartfelt deeds at our whole assembly this week that will hopefully help develop children's understanding of kindness.

We are particularly proud of our **Book Battle** competitors who took 1st and 2nd place out of 25 teams in the North Shore Competition last week. They were questioned on the content of a number of books they had read over the preceding weeks. Congratulations to the following:





1st Placegetters: Scarlett Mahy, Thomas Cullen, Mila Hamilton, Gwen Barber **2nd Placegetters**: Zoe Sun, Janice Zhang, Jessica He, Maia Davis

A year 5 and a year 6 **Mathex** house competition were both won by North. Teams of four in each house scored points by solving 20 mathematical questions within a given timeframe. This proved to be a highly competitive fun event while the rest of us watched on.

RUGBY

The Brad Johnstone Rugby Shield was keenly contested when we played against Belmont Primary last week and convincingly won on the TGS # 1 field. Thank you to parent, Aaron Baskerville, for his great organisation and to all those who came and supported!



Right: Harry Gold scoring a try

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KEY DATES

Friday 18 August Class portraits and sibling photos

Monday 21 August Middle School Beach Clean Up

Friday 25 August from 8am All team and group photos

Tuesday 29 August 7.30pm PTA meeting in staffroom

Thursday 31 August Daffodil Day

Friday 1 September Orchestral sharing by all Peninsula Schools at Hauraki

Friday 8 September School disco

Wednesday 13 September 1pm and 7pm Arts Festival – All welcome

Friday 22 September 8.30am Parents invited to view and share children's learning



Navy Band playing at a school assembly last week

'No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted' Anon

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SCHOOL LEADERS DAY

Our 16 house and deputy captains attended a leadership day at Kristin School last week that included speakers who were able to demonstrate leadership qualities through inspiring messages and heartfelt experiences. It was a memorable day for our students.

SENIOR CHOIR

Our chorale group performed admirably at Belmont Primary today along with other schools on the peninsula at a sharing morning.

Thank you to Mrs Saelmans for training and supporting these students.



YEAR 5 AND 6 FIELD TRIP

The senior students all took part in a most informative field trip to Devonport this week facilitated by historian/archaeologist David Veart. We are very grateful to him for the great insights he provided about our local pre-European history. Thank you, too, to parents who came.

At the Devonport Museum sketching the waka, Tainui	Patone, the peacemaker's grave, on Mt Takuranga	A kumara pit on Mt Takuranga

PHOTOS

Class and sibling photos are to take place tomorrow, Friday 18 August from 8am and team photos are Friday 25 August from 8am.

Those who have returned the form sent last week will have a sibling photo taken.

ARTS FESTIVAL

A reminder that our Arts festival is to be performed on Wednesday 13 September 1pm and 7pm. All year 4-6 students are expected to attend both performances that is to be a culmination of all the learning this year across the Arts. Some younger students are also involved, but you will be notified if that is the case.

REMINDERS

Only children who are 9 years of age or older and have a bike and/or scooter licence are able to ride a scooter or bike to school independently. Anyone else **must** be accompanied by a parent only, not an older sibling. Please adhere to this important school safety rule.

DAFFODIL DAY

This year Hauraki School is proud to be supporting the Cancer Society this Daffodil Day on Thursday 31 August. The





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cancer society provides free support and information, funds lifesaving cancer research, and advocates for cancer prevention policies to reduce the risk of cancer now and for future generations. The Cancer Society relies on the support from schools like ours to continue to provide free transport and accommodation when treatment is far from home, cancer nurses, and counselling for patients and their whānau. We will be fundraising for the Cancer Society, and would appreciate it if your child could bring a gold coin (or more) as a Daffodil Day token on the 31st. Your fundraising support is an important part of Daffodil Day and your help gives hope to many.

OPEN DAY

Our next open day for prospective students and parents is **Friday 27 October** 9am -10.45am that will begin in the school hall. If you know of anyone who is due to start school in the near future you may like to mention this. Thank you.

SICKNESS

Once again I would like to remind you not to send sick children to school. With the covid mandate lifted, we would still like to think that you continue to be vigilant around testing and keeping unwell children at home given the fragility of the school environment when it comes to bugs. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

LOCKDOWN PRACTICE

Periodically we have a drill at school so that children are familiar with what to do should there be an emergency. Last week we had a lockdown practice and earlier there was a trial fire evacuation.

Should there ever be an emergency situation at school we would send out a message to you in three different ways, the School App, website and email. I urge you all to make sure you have the School App downloaded on to your phone as this tends to be the most accessible for people.

TRAVELWISE - ROAD SAFETY REMINDER

Well done to our Walking School Bus children & parent volunteers for making it through winter!!! As a road safety reminder to ALL school families, and the Walking School Bus the following are road safety rules pledged when joining the Walking School Bus;

- 1. Listen to the walking school bus driver
- 2. Stop, look and listen when crossing the road (always cross the road as 1 bus together)
- 3. Walk behind the driver but keep in a group (buses must stay together & not stretch out)
- 4. Stay on the **house** side of the footpath
- 5. Walk, do not run
- 6. **Share** the footpath with others

Parents please also remind your children of each of the above important 6 road safety rules, and keep everyone safe

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT JOINING THE WALKING SCHOOL BUS

- Check <u>HERE</u> for more information about the WSB, which route is closest and how to join
- If you have any questions and/or want to find out more about the walking bus, please SMS/call **Hayden** on **027 578 0522**

to you school

• We look forward to seeing you on a bus soon!







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Splash Polo

Congratulations to the Hauraki Taniwha who achieved silver in the Term 2 North Harbour Splash Polo tournament.

The year 2 and 3 team started playing this year and have established a solid skill base and teamwork.



A special thank you to coach Tom Logan and manager Suzanne Logan.



Netball

Junior netball at Ngataringa Courts in Devonport last Saturday morning. It was pleasing to see the improvement on an earlier game I watched.

Thank you to all the parents involved with managing these junior teams.

PTA NEWS

COCKTAIL SOIREE

A Cocktail Soiree, has been organised for later in the year. Details are coming but in the meantime a silent auction is being planned as part of this event. We are looking for great prizes! If you are able to contribute in some way we would love to hear from you. A variety of items always works well. A few ideas but not limited to include a weekend at a beach bach, sports memorabilia, gym membership, beauty packages, pilates vouchers, cooking for a dinner party or family meal, brand new desirable items such as home appliances etc.

Please email PTA member <u>melissa.kinghan@gmail.com</u> with any offers. Many thanks PTA



Pie day is every TUESDAY in Term 3

Loads of yummy flavours. Pies delivered hot to the office every Tuesday Students to collect at 12:30

Order now on: kindo.co.nz

Orders close Sunday midnight.

Supporting your school & fundraising as you feed your kids – thanks!

Brought to you by the Hauraki School PTA Do you have questions or need help? Email PTA Pie Pro David: onionpeel@gmail.com





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Ngā mihi nui. Clarinda Franklin Principal

Right: juniors with their sock puppets. and seniors engrossed in the Mathex quiz





COMMUNITY NOTICES

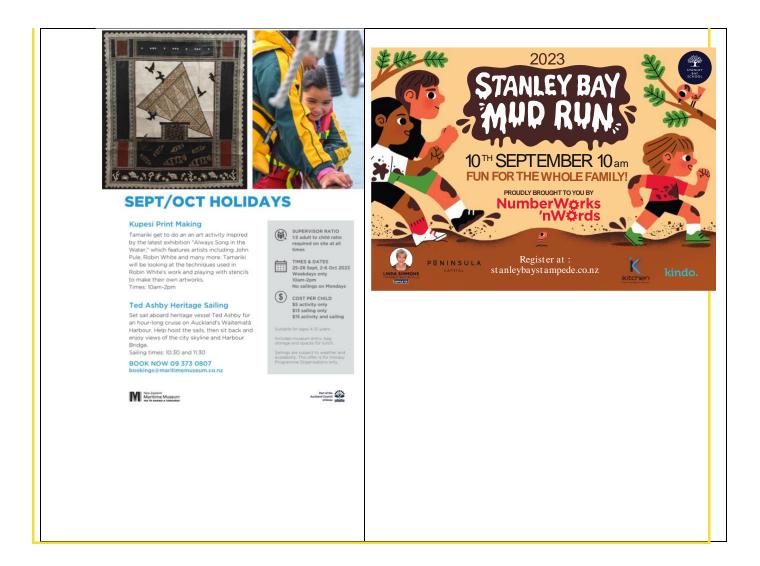






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