



Friday 9 June

Kia ora koutou Muritai whānau,

Term 2 is racing by! It is exciting to see the classrooms deep diving into their Science Inquiry - 'We are all Scientists'. Kāhu students are reaching the pointy end of their Science Fair investigations and over the next few weeks they will start the complex process of pulling all their findings and research into a concise presentation. This is a big project for our senior students and it is wonderful to see them effectively demonstrating the Key Competencies from the NZ Curriculum, particularly Managing Self, Participating and Contributing, Thinking!

It's also a busy time for teachers at present, as they are in the thick of writing individual achievement and progress reports on each child. A reminder, you'll be receiving these reports on the last day of Term 2. Early in Term 3 there will be an opportunity for you to meet with your child's classroom teacher to learn more about their achievements over the first half of the year and their next learning steps.

We had the pleasure of officially welcoming our new students and their whanāu to Muritai at our Mihi Whakatau last week. We have had a total of 14 students join us this term with 9 new families joining the Muritai whanau - it is wonderful to have you here!

I also had the honour of presenting a new picture book to our new 5 year olds that started with us at Muritai at the beginning of Term 2. These are special books that go home with each student to acknowledge the start of their learning journey with us at Muritai.

Thank you for your support in collecting your child/ren early last Wednesday so our teachers could attend their Paid Union Meeting - we really appreciate it! You may have heard in the news that the majority of primary teachers have accepted the latest offer which does address some of the concerns from the sector. There will be further work to do in the future but at least it provides schools and families with certainty of no future industrial action.



Matariki and Community Consultation Evening - SAVE THE DATE!

With Matariki approaching we are keen to celebrate this with you! On Wednesday 28th June, our Board of Trustees invite you to school for a special evening. Our Kapa Haka rōpū will perform an encore from HuttFest, yummy kai will be on offer, Kāhu will have their science fair work on display and we invite you to join us for a special Matariki dance! In addition to this, we'd like to use this opportunity to gather some community voice on what you believe is important for us to focus on for the future at Muritai. Over the second half of 2023, we will be creating our new strategic plan for the next 3 years so gathering your thoughts is very important to us.

Keep a lookout in your inbox for more information on this night, including a form to indicate your interest in our kai options for catering purposes.

Kapa Haka Rōpu - Preparing for HuttFest

Speaking of Kapa Haka, thank you to everyone who has contributed to our Give A Little fundraiser for new uniforms. We have been blown away by the generosity of the community to contribute to this awesome cause. As of today, we are close to reaching $\frac{3}{4}$ of our target... in just over 2 weeks! It's not too late to contribute if you haven't already, check out our Give A Little Page here:

<https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/muritai-school-kapa-haka-performance-ropu>

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Parent App - don't forget to log on!

Close to $\frac{3}{4}$ of our parents have successfully logged into our new parent app - are you one of them? If not, we encourage you to get connected as this will be one of our main platforms of communication with you in the future. We have already started using it to share notices and information and your child's academic report will also be available via this at the end of the term. Please pop into the office or email office@muritai.school.nz if you are having trouble logging in.

TEACHER AIDE POSITION

We are currently on the lookout for a new teacher aide to join our team here at Muritai. Check out the ad below if you or someone you know may be interested - we'd love to hear from you!

<https://www.trademe.co.nz/Browse/Listing.aspx?id=4167056523>



MURITAI SCHOOL
MATARIKI CELEBRATION

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FESTIVITIES AND FUN TO CELEBRATE MATARIKI AND HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO OUR STRATEGIC PLAN.

Start time: 5.30pm with a performance from our Kapa Haka group and join us for a Matariki dance!

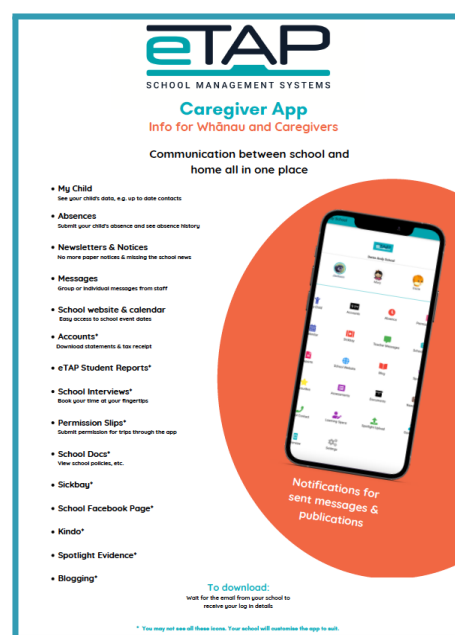
Kai: From 6pm

- Spit Roast - keep a look out for a form to indicate your interest in joining us for kai so we can cater accordingly
- Sausage Sizzle

All money raised will go towards our hall refurbishment. Or bring along your own picnic for your whānau.

We look forward to seeing you all at this awesome event

Wednesday 28 June



eTAP
SCHOOL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Caregiver App
Info for Whānau and Caregivers

Communication between school and home all in one place

- My Child
See your child's data, e.g. up to date contacts
- Absences
Track your child's absence and see absence history
- Newsletters & Notices
Get more paper notices & missing the school news
- Messages
Keep up individual messages from staff
- School website & calendar
Stay on top of school events online
- Accounts*
Download statements & tax receipts
- eTAP Student Reports*
- School Interviews*
Book your time at your fingertips
- Permission Slips*
Send permission for slips through the app
- School Docs*
View school policies, etc.
- Sickbay*
- School Facebook Page*
- Kindo*
- Spotlight Evidence*
- Blogging*

Notifications for sent messages & publications

To download:
Wait for the email from your school to enable your log in details

* You may not see all these items. Your school will subscribe the app to suit.

FUNKY FUN FRIDAY - COMING SOON!

I am super proud of Cooper Halford in Year 6 who has approached me to ask if we can fundraise for the Wellington Children's Hospital. The hospital has been incredibly supportive of Cooper and his family over the years and he is keen to give something back to them. Check out Cooper's blurb and flyer below. Good on you Cooper!

Funky Fun Friday!

Hi my name is Cooper Halford and I am running a fundraiser at Muritai School on Friday 23 June.

Dress up as crazy as you want & please bring a gold coin donation to help me in supporting the Wellington Children's Hospital. Thank you!

Please help our students and their whanau who need to use these by not parking in them. Thank you!



PRINCIPAL AWARDS - Term 2 Week 7

Congratulations to the following students who received a Principal Award at today's assembly. We are so proud of you all!

Room 1	Fionn Good, Every Martin
Room 2	Charlie Sumner, Theo Wolken
Room 3	Arlow Grace, Jett Grant, Tom Davis
Room 5	Teddy Innes, Layla Edwards
Room 6	Quinn Laurenson, Leo Maritz
Room 7	Olive Vaughan, Keanu Marquet, Olivia Haidon
Room 8	Keegan Field, Amelie Freer
Room 9	Danika Stephenson, Dylan Zhang
Room 10	Kea Ellwood, Ivy Levine, Finn Anderson Budd, Ashley Caudwell
Room 11	Flora Noergaard, Tess McIntosh
Room 12	Emmeline Webb, Isaac Nicholls
Room 13	Sadie Scott, Lucas Langlands
Room 15	Levi McLeod, Soraya Farndale
Room 16	Freya Davidson, Ollie Reed
Room 21	Eirinn Houston, Seb Bodden
Room 22	Isla Gellatly, Gil Hoskin
Room 23	Harper Calder, Jennifer Bao
Room 24	Noah Delaney, Mia Oliver

The four lucky children having fish and chips with Stu are: Tess McIntosh, Lucas Langland, Harper Calder and Ollie Reed.

FUNKY FUN FRIDAY!

😄 Dress up as weird as you POSSIBLY CAN 😄

FRIDAY 23 JUNE

FUNDRAISING FOR THE WELLINGTON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.
PLEASE BRING ALONG A GOLD COIN DONATION
IN SUPPORT

BE CREATIVE! 🤪

Spot prizes for LOTS of effort 🏆

Have a fun day &
**EXPLORE, CONNECT &
CONTRIBUTE**

**WELLINGTON
CHILDREN'S
HOSPITAL**

Wellington
HOSPITALS
FOUNDATION



We are well under way with Jumping June; our new skipping ropes have arrived and each syndicate is refining their moves. As of today we have raised a whopping \$10,076.04 for the Heart Foundation!! That is amazing mahi!! Keep going with your fundraising and your skipping!! You can follow the [Jumping June facebook page](#) which has lots of extra moves for our expert skippers!

Disabled Car Parks

We have two disabled car parks at the front of the school which should only be used if you have a disabled ticket in your window.



Sports Mentoring at Muritai

Our sports mentoring programme has been up and running again this term. Kororā kids have thoroughly enjoyed learning new games and skills from the Kāhu coaching team. On Tuesdays, Kāhu students have delivered fun fitness and games sessions in the hall, focusing on getting kids moving, laughing and having fun. On Fridays, our Kāhu coaches have been teaching our Kororā basketball enthusiasts how to dribble, pass, catch, defend, manoeuvre, shoot and catch rebounds. These sessions are open to any Kororā students who want to get active, learn some skills and make new friends.

A huge thank you to our mentoring team this term: Guy Marshall, Enzo Meikle-Rodriguez, Zach Nielson, Mason Kereopa, Judah Finney, Izzy Longson, Miriam Water, Molly Carroll, Tilly Enge, Sophia Ellwood and Riley Hewson.



School Dates for 2023:

- Term 1 Wednesday 1 February to Thursday 6 April
- Term 2 Monday 26 April to Friday 30 June
Teacher Only Day: Monday 24 April
ANZAC Day: Tuesday 25 April
- Term 3 Monday 17 July to Friday 22 September
- Term 4 Monday 9 October to Friday 15 December

Public Holidays 2023:

- Monday, 6 February: Waitangi Day
- Friday, 7 April: Good Friday
- Tuesday, 25 April: ANZAC Day
- Monday, 5 June: King's Birthday
- Friday, 14 July: Matariki
- Monday, 23 October: Labour Day

Important Dates	
Date	Event
12 June	Pizza Monday
12 June	Dental Van at Muritai for 6 weeks
13 June	Inter Zone Cross Country
14 June	BOT meeting at 6.30
15 June	PP for Inter Zone Cross Country
16 June	Hockey training for Kereru
19 June	Pizza Monday
23 June	Whole School Assembly at 1.30
26 June	Pizza Monday
27 June	Hutt Fest at 4.30
27 June	TBC Regional Cross Country
28 June	Matariki Celebration at 5.30pm
29 June	TBC PP Regional Cross Country
30 June	Last day of Term 2

COMMUNITY NOTICES - Please Note - the following notices have been requested to be published and are not necessarily endorsed by us as a school. In the spirit of community we include these digitally for you to peruse.

Would you like to play the drums this year at Muritai School!! You can be taught with a current professional working musician!!

We need year 7 and 8 drummers especially!!

Please contact Peter Elliott, as spaces are limited.

Contact: peterelliott.drums@gmail.com