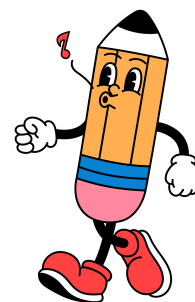


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DATES TO KNOW

Oct 21 – School Athletics

Oct 23rd –Hawkes Bay Anniversary - **No school**

Oct 26th – Labour Day - **No school**

Oct 30 – School Athletics

Nov 4th – School photos

Nov 12th – School disco

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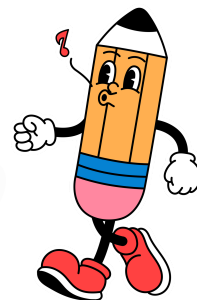
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora e te whanau,
It has been great to see our tamariki back at kura. This week we are trialing different lunchtimes for our juniors and seniors. Juniors eat at 12.15pm–12.30pm and then play until 1pm. Our seniors eat at 12.30pm–12.45pm and play until 1.15pm. The lunchtime trial is going well so far, and we would love to hear how your tamariki are finding it. If they chat to you about it, then please let us know. Term 4 means hats must be worn. We are a sun smart kura which means that our tamariki need to be wearing a hat. Students are welcome to bring their own hat to kura. We will have sunblock available for tamariki. Thank you for telling us what you want more of at kura. This is helping us shape our strategic plan for 2027–2028. I am sure you have seen the progress in the building of our new classrooms. Stead are working on the foundations. It is very exciting to see our new classrooms taking shape. We are grateful that our tamariki are so resilient as having a smaller concrete area to play can be challenging. On Wednesday next week we have the New Zealand ShakeOut 2026 national earthquake drill. I am stoked to take Matewai Tuakana to Velocity for an attendance trip on Thursday. They had the highest attendance for the term. Please support us by having your tamariki at kura by 8.15am, ready for classes to begin at 8.20am. Arriving on time helps them settle in, connect with their classmates, and take part in learning from the start. Let's make this a shared goal for Term 4. If getting your tamaiti to kura on time is challenging, please get in touch so we can work together. We are here to support you. Finally, our Year 7–8's are fundraising and will be selling ice-blocks on Fridays. Please keep an eye out for more comms on this.

Nga manaaki,

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Te Tū Rangatira Award Winners
Congratulations to Rocky and Charlton, who were both recognised with the prestigious Te Tū Rangatira Award at Manu Kōrero. The judges selected Charlton for the overall best speech and presentation in Te Reo Māori, and Rocky for the overall best speech and presentation in English.

This is a wonderful achievement and a testament to their hard work, confidence, and dedication to the art of oratory. We are incredibly proud of both students and congratulate them on their outstanding success!

SCHOOL ATHLETICS

9AM - YEAR 1-3

11AM - YEAR 4-8



OCT 30TH 2026



9AM - 1PM



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