



**Term 1, Week 2**

**14 February 2025**

### Kia ora e te whānau

We have had another very happy week at school with lots of learning in classrooms, great weather for swimming and plenty of sport too!

Teachers loved the chance to meet so many whānau members this week for our 'Meet the Teacher Hui'. These meetings align with our Strategic Goal: Learning happens in collaboration with whānau, peers, teachers and our local community. This year we want to continue strengthening the partnerships between home and school to bring out the best for all our learners as they Reach their Peak!

If you still need to make a Hui time to chat to your child's teacher please do this in the next week or two. Teachers will happily schedule these times before or after school.

We look forward to seeing a great turn out of family members at our Community Picnic. You are welcome to bring older and younger siblings along as it's fun for the whole

family. We will have sports gear on the field, a chance for an evening swim and the best real fruit ice cream.

We encourage you to pack a picnic dinner and bring refreshments to enjoy throughout the evening. Adding to the community spirit of this event you are also welcome to stay the night. Simply bring your tent, campervan or caravan and find a spot on the field. Bright and early in the morning, we will fire up the BBQ, for a yummy breakfast!

The incredible community work with our Hay fundraiser has continued this week with another 1215 bales collected on the hottest Wednesday evening. The tally of fundraising dollars raised is exceptional as now 8148 bales of hay have been collected. There is another Hay job tonight and we love new helpers that are willing to share the load! Thanks Matt Avery for all your work behind the scenes with all these fundraising jobs and the logistics of each one!

*Ngā mihi nui, Erin*



**FOR YOUR  
CALENDAR**

*Thu 20 Feb* School Triathlon—11 am

*Fri 21 Feb* School Picnic, from 5pm

*Wed 26 Feb* Life Education Starts

*Sun 2 Mar* Footprints in the Sand Fun Run,  
Foxton Beach

*Wed 5 Mar* Interschool Triathlon

*Tues 18 Mar* Weetbix Tryathlon

*Fri 22 Mar* Mt Biggs Tough Kid Challenge

*Fri 11 April* Term 1 Ends

# KA PAI KIDS

**Room 1: Toby B**—You are constantly striving to 'Reach your Peak' through being a Pathfinder. I am so impressed by the effort you put into your learning each and every day. You have a positive and happy attitude and show an eagerness to try and learn new things. What a fantastic start to 2025 you have had!

**Room 2: Ollie**—You have smashed your first week at Hiwinui. You demonstrate all of our PEAK values in the classroom and your confidence and bright smile have formed some lovely friendships already. Keep up the mahi Ollie!

**Room 3: Josh**—What a fantastic start to the year you have had! Your energised attitude towards learning and getting stuck in to everything is absolutely awesome! We're so glad that you're in Room 3!

**Room 4: Isabel**—What a great start to the year. You always demonstrate excellent leadership, and I love the way you use every single PEAK value each day. You are a superstar!

**Room 5: Mika**—I have been so impressed with your organisation and energy for learning. You are a team player and someone everyone can rely and lean on. You can be so proud of the effort you put into your mahi and how you always strive to do your best.

**Room 6: Dylan**—You have had such an amazing start at Hiwinui School. You show so much awahi to those around you, and you get involved with new activities with a smile and an energised attitude. Dylan, we are so lucky to have you as part of our Hiwinui whānau!

**Principal: Sid**—You have stepped up as a leader to kick the year off! I admire your enthusiasm and willingness to help others. Thank you for being one amazing Kaitiaki around our Kura too!

**Learning Assistant Elise: Toby D**—I'm super proud of the way that you have started the year. You're organised and ready for the day with a massive smile! Can't wait to see you grow this year!

**Learning Assistant Charlotte: Lydia J**—I love how you have come back to school with so much energy for learning. What an amazing year you are going to have. You go girl!

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Hiwinui Playgroup**—We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 27 February from 9am, in The Leigh Centre. All pre-schoolers and their carers welcome.

## SCHOOL POOL

We trust you've been enjoying the pool to cool off this week—what amazing weather we are having. Thanks to everyone on the current pool cover roster, you're doing a great job, and we are so grateful for your help.



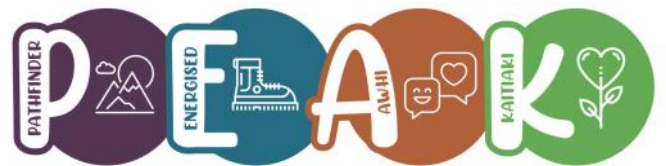
### We need additional help to fill the next roster PLEASE!

The following weeks are in need of filling:

17-23 March      31 March-6 April

24-30 March      7-11 April

Please let us know by emailing or phoning the office if you are available to help with putting the pool cover on during any of these weeks. **THANK YOU!**



## NEXT WEEK'S PEAK GOAL

### "We work as a team"

This goal will help us explore all different sorts of team work, including:

- Pathfinder: collaborating on learning tasks with friends
- Energised: playing team sports and games
- Awhi: encouraging and cheering on others
- Kaitiaki: many hands make light work

## BURGERS—PLEASE HELP!

The Friends of Hiwinui School fundraisers are seeking a couple of helpers each Friday to assist with cooking burgers—one of our team will always be there but extra help would be greatly appreciated. Please sign up on the link on Skool Loop. Thanks!



*Regards Erin, Jo, Holly, Emma, Kendall, Dean, Michaela, Jo, Allanah, Heidi, Kevin, Sarah, Charlotte, Elise, Rachelle & Jacki*





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Age 7+



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Age 7+



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Age 8+



**FOUNDATIONS**  
Ages 5-6

## EPIC LESSONS:

These are our popular 25-30 minute group lessons with 2-4 students, run during the school day, in school grounds. Students are given their own tuition book which tracks their progress. They also earn a new coloured wristband after passing each test.

## MUSIC FOUNDATIONS:

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## FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND

### 2nd March 2025

## Half Marathon & Fun Run

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PRIZES

**Entries:** [www.foxtonlions.co.nz](http://www.foxtonlions.co.nz)

**Email:** [funrun@foxtonlions.co.nz](mailto:funrun@foxtonlions.co.nz)

**Txt:** 021 490 828

Event	Price	Start Time
Half Marathon Walk	\$40.00	7.00am
Half Marathon Run	\$40.00	8.00am
10K Walk or Run	\$20.00	9.00am
5K Walk or Run	\$10.00	9.30am
5K Primary School Challenge	\$5.00	9.30am

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**What is Scouting?** Scouting is more than just a club; it's a movement that inspires young people to reach their full potential. Through hands-on activities, teamwork, and outdoor adventures, our Scouts develop leadership skills, resilience, and confidence while having a whole lot of fun!



### **Discover the Adventure with Ashhurst Scout Group!**

Are you ready to ignite your child's sense of adventure, build lifelong skills, and make cherished friendships? The Ashhurst Scout Group is here to help your child explore, learn, and grow in an exciting and supportive environment right here in our community!

### **Who Can Join?**

- **Keas (5-8 years):** Fun and discovery for young adventurers.
- **Cubs (8-11 years):** Hands on activities, creativity and teamwork.
- **Scouts (11-14 years):** Outdoor skills and leadership.
- **Venturers (14-18 years):** Independence and challenges.

**Get Involved!** Join us for a trial session to see what Scouting is all about. Whether your child is new to the idea of Scouting or has always dreamed of being part of the adventure, Ashhurst Scout Group is the perfect place to begin. From building shelters and learning first aid to camping and community projects, our activities teach valuable life lessons while fostering inclusion and support.

**Contact Us Today!** For more information or to arrange a visit, contact Fantail- Julie Gillam-Hill at [ashhurst@group.scouts.nz](mailto:ashhurst@group.scouts.nz) check or call 0212130326. We can't wait to welcome you to the Scouting family!

