



Term 4, Week 10

20 December 2024

Kia ora e te whānau

We have had a lovely end to the term! It was great to see so many family members at our prize giving celebrations this week. We are so proud of all of our learners and what individuals have achieved this year. There have certainly been so many sporting, performing, cultural and academic experiences for children to be part of. Thank you for your ongoing family support. Over the holidays our hay working bees will begin—all the details will be posted on Facebook and Skool Loop so please keep a look out and be ready to support with this.

Thank you Whaea Jessica for the special contributions you made to our Kura! You have been a dedicated teacher in Room 1 and so creative with your involvement in our Dance Groups, Production, Kapa Haka and the creation of our Mural. We will all miss you!

Goodbye to our absolutely awesome Pou Portia! You have been one exceptional Intermediate teacher and Deputy Principal. You have made a massive impact on our learners in so many ways and we will always have a special place in our hearts for you. Pillans Point School are the luckiest—they will definitely love you and appreciate you too!

Today we have farewelled our wonderful Year 8s and know they are ready to embrace new opportunities at high school and Reach their Peak!

Congratulations Pou Jo! Our Board of Trustees have appointed Jo as our new Deputy Principal. Jo has so many talents as a teacher and leader and this is an exciting appointment for our school.

Congratulations Pou Holly! Holly will be leading Maharahara next year and teaching Monday-Thursday every week. Holly has a great way of collaborating with other staff and will bring out the best in our senior learners!

Enjoy your holiday break and we look forward to seeing our learners fresh and ready to go in 2025.

Ngā mihi nui, Erin



NEW STAFF APPOINTMENTS

We are delighted to appoint two new teachers who are joining our team at the start of next year.

Jolene Haye—Jolene has been appointed to teach in our Wharite Team and will be based in Room 1. Jolene is an incredibly nurturing educator with extensive experience with young learners. Jolene will be known as Whaea Jo and has already met our learners at their transition visit yesterday.

Michaela Curtis—“My name is Michaela and I’m super excited to be joining Hiwinui School in Year 7 & 8. I have been teaching for 8 years, juggling this around my hockey career, and having two children.

I was lucky enough to play for the Black Sticks for a number of years, but I absolutely love all sports, being competitive, and getting outside the classroom. I have spent quite a few years teaching Year 7 and 8, and really enjoy this age group as you can have a lot of fun!

I’m really looking forward to spending my Fridays at Hiwinui School.”



IMPORTANT DATES

Mon 3 Feb Start of Term 1, 2025

Thurs 6 Feb Waitangi Day

Fri 11 April Term 1 Ends



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

I Tri'd the Tri Series

KIDS TRIATHLON

For Kids 4-12 Years



Manawatu & TRC
Toyota



Register at
www.triclub.co.nz

WIN SPORTS GEAR OF YOUR CHOICE FOR YOUR SCHOOL!

Manawatu Triathlon Club wants to reward schools with the best student participation numbers in the upcoming, "Manawatu and TRC Toyota I Tri'd the Tri Series 2025" for kids 4-12 yrs. Prizes of sports vouchers will be presented to the winning schools. *Note the winning schools will be determined by taking into account roll size & numbers of students taking part. There will be prizes for different categories of schools.

**PRE-ENTER ONLINE BY 31st
JANUARY 2025
PAY ONLY \$25**



RUN - BIKE - SWIM

For kids
4-12 YEARS

FIVE EVENT DATES

Mon 3rd FEB 2025
Mon 10th FEB 2025
Mon 17th FEB 2025
Mon 24th FEB 2025
Mon 3rd MAR 2025

KIDS TRIATHLON

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

COURSE DISTANCES

4-6 years 300m run / 600m cycle / 1 length swim in teaching pool
7 years 750m run / 1.5k cycle / 25m swim
8-9 years 750m run / 1.5k cycle / 50m swim
10-12 years 1.5k run / 3k cycle / 100m swim

EVENT LOCATION

Skoglund Park and Freyberg Community Pool
Palmerston North

HOW TO ENTER

1. Complete the entry & consent form waiver by the 31st January
Enter online at triclub.co.nz

2. Register on race day from 4:30pm (First race 5:20pm)

We must receive full payment and signed Parent's/Legal
Guardian's consent form waiver to complete your registration.

ENTRY FEES Before 31st Jan

- Individual child (all 5 events) \$25 OR
- Family of 3 or more (all 5 events) \$75
- Club members Free (only if you pre-register by 31st Jan)

ENTRY FEES After 31st Jan

- Individual child \$30 OR
- Family of 3 or more \$90

<https://www.triclub.co.nz/events/2025-i-trid-the-tri-series>

<https://www.facebook.com/Palmy-I-Trid-the-Tri-Series-165002316882569/>

GOT A QUESTION?

To find out more please call Andy or Lenka (021 0349989)
or Deb (027 439 0651)



WANT TO PLAY CRICKET?

ARE YOU AGED 5-10?

\$20 per term

**SMASH
CRICKET**

MON - PALMY NORTH

TUE - ASHURST

WED - FEILDING & P N

THU - Dvirke & PAHIATUA

FRI - FEILDING

For more info scan QR code





SMASH YARD! CRICKET IS BACK.....

TERM 1 2025

SIGN UP AT SCHOOL
NO COACHES NEEDED
NO MANAGERS NEEDED
\$20 PER PLAYER
6 WEEKS OF GAMES

GIRLS ONLY YEAH! GIRLS
SMASH, SAME TIME & PLACE

YEAR 7&8

TUESDAY, ONGLEY PARK 4-5PM
FRIDAY, KOWHAI PARK 5.15-6.15PM

YEAR 5&6

THURSDAY, ONGLEY PARK 4-5PM
FRIDAY, KOWHAI PARK 5.15-6.15PM



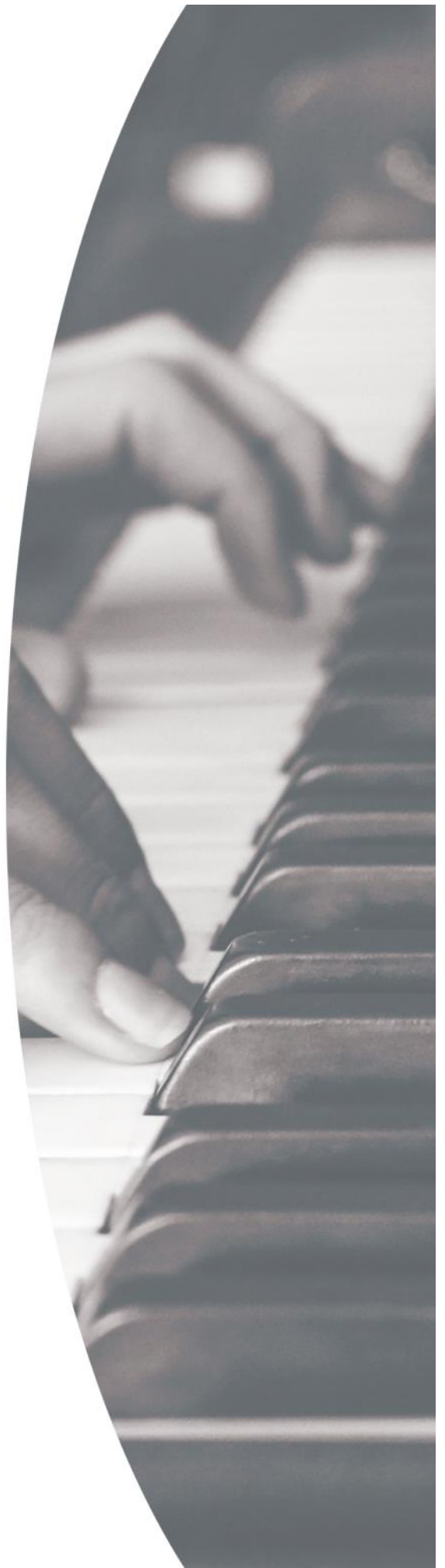
Start your child's musical journey in 2025!

Saturday Music offers affordable, accessible music lessons for children in the Manawatū. Our classes include:

Cello, Choir, Clarinet, Drums, Flute, French Horn, Guitar, Ukulele, Junior Flute (Fife), Keyboard, Music Basics, Recorder, Saxophone, Trombone, Trumpet and Violin

\$150 per enrolment for 26 lessons!
Enrol on our website before Nov 30 for a \$10 discount.

www.saturdaymusic.org.nz
contact@saturdaymusic.org.nz



Online for Nine!



A day of learning and fun to get you ready for year 9!

Starting at high school can be daunting, especially if you won't know many people and you're not used to daily life in a big school!

Come along to Online for Nine 2025 to meet up with mates, make new friends, and learn a bunch of stuff in a relaxed environment to get prepared for high school – whichever one you're going to.

There will be fun activities with a team of experienced youth leaders, a Year 9 Dean will give you lots of practical tips about your first days and weeks at high school, and you can chat with your new friends over a barbecue lunch.

Thursday 23 January 2025

9am - 3:00pm

Kiwitea Hall

FREE
to attend Year 9... let's go!
Lunch
provided

REGISTER
HERE



Or email
connect@nsm.org.nz

Online for Nine is organised by Manawatu Rural Support Service
with support from Neighbourhood Support Manawatu and training provided by
Lifeshouse Youth Services.

