HIWINUI SCHOOL

TERM 4, WEEK 6 **20 NOVEMBER 2026**

Kia ora e te whanau

What a full week we have had across our kura! It has been wonderful to see our tamariki giving everything their best shot and living our school values of being Pathfinders, staying Energised, showing Awhi, and acting as Kaitiaki.

Kainui Senior Athletics





Yesterday, our Year 5–8 athletes travelled to the Massey Track to represent Hiwinui School at the Kainui Senior Athletics. It was fantastic to see our students competing with such determination, cheering on their teammates, and showing wonderful sportsmanship across the track and field events.

A huge congratulations to all our competitors for representing our school with pride. Thank you also to our staff and parent supporters who helped at the long jump pit and cheered from the sidelines.

Year 4 Big Day Out

Today, our Year 4 students headed off for a fantastic Big Day Out! Their action-packed itinerary included visiting the Central Energy Trust Wildbase Recovery Centre in the morning, enjoying plenty of playtime at the Victoria Esplanade, and finishing the afternoon swimming and racing down the indoor hydroslides at the Lido Aquatic Centre before returning to school. It was a wonderful day of outdoor adventure, connection, and fun.

Focused Learning & Behaviour

With just over three weeks of the school year remaining, our classrooms are still engaging in learning. In the playground, it has been heartening to see so many students earning special PEAK points for positive behaviour, kindness, and showing Awhi to one another during lunchtime activities. All winners go into the draw for our Term 4 adventure with Mrs Hagan!

School Pool Upgrade

Exciting things are happening around our school grounds! Martin Beveridge from Beveridge Painters is currently on-site prepping our school pool to be repainted. We hope to have the pool ready for use by the end of Term 4, in time for our families and community to enjoy over the summer break.

Looking Ahead

Excitement is building as our senior students prepare to head away on camp next week! Our Year 7 & 8 students are heading to Mi Camp Taupō, while our Year 5 & 6 students are off to Makahika Outdoor Pursuit Centre in Levin. I am really looking forward to visiting both camps next week to see our senior students in action!

As we look toward next year, we are still accepting out-of-zone ballot applications for Year 7 and 8 students for 2027. Our senior intermediate pathway offers fantastic leadership roles, hands-on technology, and outdoor education opportunities. Please contact the Hiwinui School office for more information.

Our End of Year Prizegiving will be held at the Village Valley Centre in Ashhurst on Monday, 7th December. Doors open at 5:45 pm for a 6:00 pm start. We look forward to celebrating a wonderful year of learning and achievement with you all.

Have a safe, restful, and enjoyable weekend.

Ngā mihi nui, Anna Hagan, Principal

HIWINUI PLAYGROUP

The next playgroup will be held on Thursday 3 December from 9am, in The Leigh Centre. All pre-schoolers and their carers welcome. Look for the Hiwinui Playgroup Facebook Group and request to join.

CARPARK SAFETY

Please remember to reverse park when parking in the school carpark at drop off and pick up. Please also set a good example for our tamariki by walking around the perimeter of the carpark, rather than across it – let's keep everyone safe!

Students – please use the deck stairs rather than swinging under the handrails. Thank you!

FRIENDS OF HIWINUI

What an incredible year of fundraising!

Thank you to everyone who has supported us with our fundraising efforts throughout the year. We have now wrapped up all our fundraising activities, and what a fantastic result we have to celebrate!

We are thrilled to announce that **Gumboots & Glam raised an incredible $25,418** for the school! The event was a great night, and despite the weather doing its best, nothing could bring down the vibes inside. We hope those who purchased auction items enjoy them, and we can't wait to hear about the Duker children's day in charge of Hiwinui School!

We also want to give a special mention to those who helped with our annual **hay fundraiser,** which raised an amazing **$28,000** earlier this year. This is always a huge effort for those involved, but the results make it so worthwhile. We'd love to see some fresh faces and a few extra hands helping for the next round. We generally get things underway around the end of January and we'd love to have you on board! No skills or strength required, there are jobs for everyone. To keep up to date with what's happening and opportunities to help, join the "Hiwinui Epic Parents" Facebook Messenger group.

With only our burgers to finish up, our total fundraising for the year has contributed approximately **$62,000** for our tamariki. These results are a fantastic reflection of what our school community can achieve when everyone gets behind a good cause. We are incredibly grateful for all the time, effort and generosity that goes into making these fundraisers happen.

For anyone keen to get involved in our 2027 fundraising efforts, we will be holding a meeting during the week of 29 November, and again at the start of Term 1, for those interested in joining the Friends of Hiwinui School fundraising committee. We'd love to welcome some new faces and fresh ideas!

We would also like to acknowledge and thank **Tracey**, who has been a valued member of the fundraising committee for a "few" years now. Tracey has been a driving force behind so many of our fundraising efforts, often leading from the front and always giving so much of her time and energy to Hiwinui School.

Although she stepped back from the Chairperson role this year, we have continued to lean on and greatly appreciated her wealth of knowledge, experience and wisdom throughout the year. With Frank heading off to high school next year, it's time for Tracey to hang up her FOHS hat. She has certainly left some big shoes to fill and will be very much missed.

He mihi aroha ki a koe, Tracey. Thank you for your many years of dedication, hard work and commitment. The time and effort you have given has made a real difference, and we are so grateful for everything you have contributed. We wish you all the very best for your next chapter!

PEAK AWARDS

Room 1: *Hector* is always ENERGISED for reading and it has been amazing seeing the progress he has made since starting school. It has also been wonderful to watch him step forward and embrace new challenges with increasing confidence, like being a part of the house relay race. You should be super proud of yourself Hector. Well done!

Room 2: *Heidi* – Well done on a fantastic year in Room 2, Heidi! Your happy, bubbly personality is so infectious to be around, and I appreciate how keen you are to always try your best in your learning. You show kindness to everyone around you, making sure others always feel included. It has been great to see you broadening your friendships and playing with different classmates this week, everyone in Room 2 has had so much fun because of your warmth and energy. Keep being amazing!

Room 3: *Toby*, it has been fantastic to see you push yourself to achieve your best at our athletics practice. Your hard work and determination was really noticeable and it was wonderful to see the example of cheering others on and lifting them up, especially when they needed a little extra encouragement. What a brilliant way to show AWHI as a sportsman! Ka pai, Toby!

Room 4: *Lydia*, you are a superstar kid! Always raising others up with your words, including others in activities and giving 100% in all your mahi. I love your curiosity and the way you follow your creative ideas. Ka Pai!

Room 5: *Paige*, you continuously demonstrate all of Hiwinui School's values, both inside and outside the classroom. Yesterday, you truly embodied our ENERGISED value and rocked Kainui Athletics. I am incredibly proud of how hard you pushed yourself!

Room 6: *Isla B* – Isla demonstrated fantastic attitude, perseverance, and athleticism at Kainui Athletics yesterday. Her grit was on full display as she pushed right through to the finish line in every event she entered, highlighted by a phenomenal long jump that measured over 10cm further than any other student her age. Beyond her own impressive efforts, Isla consistently uplifted her peers by cheering them on and supporting them throughout their events. Isla, it is clear that athletics is a true passion for you, keep up the amazing work!

Principal: Fergus, I love the way you have settled into Hiwinui School! Your gentle, kind nature and the AWHI you show towards your classmates make our school a better place every single day. You show your ENERGISED spirit when working and exploring alongside your peers. It is wonderful to see you being a true PATHFINDER by growing in independence, sharing your ideas, and giving everything a go with such a positive attitude. Ka mau te wehi, Fergus!

KAINUI ATHLETICS RESULTS

Year 7 Girls: Isla B – 2nd = Overall

Year 5 Boys: Elijah – 1st Overall

Year 5 Girls: Poppy – 2nd Overall

High Jump: Maddy B – 2= (Yr 5 Girls); Eli – 1st =, Austin – 3rd = (Yr 5 Boys); Bensen – 2nd = (Yr 6 Boys)

100 metres: Austin – 2nd (Yr 5 Boys); Beauden – 3rd (Yr 6 Boys); Isla B – 1st (Yr 7 Girls); Frank – 2nd (Yr 8 Boys)

400 metres: Bensen – 3rd (Yr 6 Boys); Isla B – 1st (Yr 7 Girls); Lockie – 2nd (Yr 7 Boys); Frank – 2nd, Harry – 3rd (Yr 8 Boys)

Discus: Poppy – 1st (Yr 5 Girls); Eli – 1st (Yr 5 Boys); Isabel – 3rd (Yr 6 Girls); Isla H – 2nd (Yr 7 Girls); Ollie L – 2nd (Yr 7 Boys); Oliver B – 3rd (Yr 8 Boys)

Shotput: Poppy – 1st (Yr 5 Girls); Mika – 2nd (Yr 6 Boys); Oliver B – 2nd (Yr 8 Boys)

Long Jump: Poppy – 2nd, Maddy B – 3rd (Yr 5 Girls); Eli – 1st, Lachie – 2nd (Yr 5 Boys); Isla B – 1st (Yr 7 Girls)

Relays: 3rd Place in Yr 5/6 (Beauden, Austin, Maddy, Freja); 3rd Place in Yr 7/8 (Isla B, Rose, Frank, Will)

HONK FOR HIWINUI

Hiwinui Community

The Hiwinui Community Committee is organising their annual Honk for Hiwinui foodbank drive to help fill the pantries at Manchester House in Feilding.

Your child will have brought home a supermarket bag. If you would like to contribute, please fill it with non-perishable goods and return it to school. Alternatively, if you live nearby, simply bring your bag outside when you hear the sirens on Sunday, 29 November—committee members and NZ Police will be travelling around the area collecting donations as they go.

Thank you for your support, it is truly appreciated.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

23-26 Nov	Year 7/8 Camp
25-27 Nov	Year 5/6 Camp
Fri 27 Nov	Year 8 Big Day Out
Fri 27 Nov	Manawatu Striders Road Race
Sun 29 Nov	Honk for Hiwinui Foodbank Drive
Thurs 3 Dec	Year 8 Graduation Dinner
Mon 7 Dec	Whole School Prizegiving, 5.45pm
Fri 11 Dec	Wharite Big Day Out
Mon 14 Dec	**End of Term 4, 12.30pm**
Tues 2 Feb	Start of Term 1, 2027

NIGHT MARKET
IN THE GARDEN



SHOP LOCAL, EAT WELL & ENJOY AN EVENING IN THE GARDEN.

NOV 20TH
DEC 11TH

5PM - 8PM

FREE ADMISSION

LOCAL MAKERS

CAFÉ OPEN LATE

GARDEN SETTING

RIVER & RANGE CAFÉ
86 GROVE ROAD, ASHHURST

EPIC HOLIDAY PROGRAM







- OSCAR Approved
- Ages 5-13
- Extended Hours!
- Feilding Pick up/Drop off available!



MUSIC EVERY DAY!

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CLOUD 9 TRAMPOLINE PARK





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BISSET HONDA
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FRIDAY
27
NOVEMBER
2026
FRIDAY
11
DECEMBER
2026
CHRISTMAS SPECIAL
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5PM
RIDING STARTS
6PM
$10
PER RIDER
INCLUDES
HOT CHIPS
AND A BURGER
FROM THE FOOD TRUCK
FOUNTAINE'S PROPERTY
420 TROUP ROAD, WOODVILLE

COLYTON COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Summer market

SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER
10AM - 1PM
COLYTON HALL



CRAFTS, PLANTS, BAKING, PRESERVES, WOODEN TOYS,
QUALITY 2ND HAND GOODS

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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 2027**" 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 29th JANUARY 2027

PAY ONLY $25



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 29th 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 By 29th Jan
- Individual child (all 5 events) $25 OR
- Family of 3 or more (all 5 events) $75

ENTRY FEES After 29th Jan
- Individual child $30 OR
- Family of 3 or more $90

https://www.triclub.co.nz/events/2027-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)

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