



Term 4, Week 7

21 November 2025

Kia ora e te whānau

Our Year 8 students are on the countdown. Only 16 school days left before they leave Hiwinui! While this is an exciting milestone for them, it's also a big moment as they conclude their eight years of Primary School. I am looking forward to celebrating with them in a couple of weeks time. We've loved having them as our senior students, and they have been wonderful in welcoming me to the school.

It was also exciting to hear from our new student leaders for 2026 at our Hui on Thursday. They delivered fantastic speeches and presented some excellent ideas for the coming year.

Recycling Volunteer Needed

A huge thank you to Rachael Venter who has been our dedicated 'recycling lady' for many years, regularly taking our recyclables to the centre. As her daughter Isabella finishes school this year, we are looking for a new parent volunteer to take on this vital role.

- *What's needed:* Transporting school recyclables to the recycling centre.
- *Frequency:* Once a fortnight or every three weeks.
- *How to help:* Please contact the School Office if you are willing to help.

Athletics Success

Our junior students competed at the Kainui Athletics in Newbury on Tuesday. It was a very hot day, and it was a pleasure to see our students competing and demonstrating excellent sportsmanship. Thank you to all the parents who assisted with transport and support on the day. It is greatly appreciated!

Big Days Out!

Our students are enjoying their celebratory 'Big Days Out':

- Our Year 4 students are on their Big Day Out today (Friday). We look forward to hearing all about their fun when they return!
- Wharite Big Day Out is scheduled for next Friday.

A sincere thank you once again to the amazing parents who provide transport for our students to and from these special activities and events. Without your help, they wouldn't be possible.



Fundraiser Closing Soon

A reminder that the Chocolate and Wine Fundraiser for 2025 will close on Monday, November 24th. Thank you to everyone who has supported the school so far. Every last order helps significantly to support our students to attend school camps and other valuable Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) activities.

Pick-Up Safety

Dean and I were pleased to see parents and caregivers taking extra care during the end-of-day pick-up yesterday. The safety of our students and the wider school community is paramount. Thank you for adjusting your practice to ensure a safe environment for everyone.

Ngā mihi nui, Anna Hagan, Principal

HIWINUI FOOD DRIVE

Each year Hiwinui School proudly supports Manchester House with a food drive, in conjunction with the Hiwinui Community Committee. This time of year in particular can be tough for many families. A bag requesting non-perishable food donations has come home with your child today. If you can support please return this to the school office next week. Your donations are greatly appreciated and will help to support the Hiwinui Community Food Drive, which takes place on Sunday 30th November from 4pm.

KAINUI ATHLETICS

Well done to these athletes who achieved overall placings in their respective age groups at the Senior Kainui Athletics: Isla 2nd; Lockie 3rd; Ben 3rd; Bensen 2nd; Frank 1st.



HIWINUI PLAYGROUP

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 4 December from 9am, in The Leigh Centre. All pre-schoolers and their carers welcome.

KA PAI KIDS

Room 1: *Laura*, you have had such a fantastic year! I am so proud of all the Pathfinder power you have been using to practice and practice at everything you do so you can get better and better at things. Your maturity has really developed, and you are consistently making good choices. You always encourage and support others by cheering them on, and recently you have started to be a real Kaitiaki of Room 1. Keep up all the awesome effort, *Laura*, you are amazing!

Room 2: *Juni*, you have been working so hard in class and I so appreciate how you help to support learners who are new to our class. It was great to see your Energised attitude going to Kainui Athletics this week too. You should be so proud of yourself! Thanks for always being a super Room 2 learner.

Room 3: *Olivia W*, you were an absolute superstar at Kainui Junior Athletics this week! You showed incredible resilience and determination, giving every event your best go. Even when things felt a bit overwhelming, you bounced back so quickly and kept shining with a big smile. Ka pai, *Olivia* — I am so proud of your awesome attitude and your never-give-up spirit!

Room 4: *Beauden*, I love the way you have been super enthusiastic this year - particularly with your mathematics! You are really trying hard, and the way your speed has increased with 99maths is amazing!! You do so much terrific learning!! You are such a terrific learner!

Room 5: *Isla*, you are just amazing. You have a genuinely caring heart and spread sunshine wherever you go. People love to be in your presence—young and old, and everyone in between! You work so hard on everything you do and are the most patient helper for those who need support in their learning. I am just so stoked to be your teacher! Well done *Isla*.

Room 6: *Ruby*, you are such a delight. We have been talking about integrity this week, doing the right thing not for recognition but because we know it is the right thing to do. You show integrity every day *Ruby*. You are a kind friend, hard worker and are always trying to lift others up. Our class is a happier more positive place because of you.

Principal: *Dylan*, it has been an absolute pleasure getting to know you *Dylan*. I enjoy hearing your insightful thinking but also value your ability to constructively unpack situations and see other peoples perspectives. This is very important skill for life and I know you will be amazing at anything you choose to put your mind to. Keep reaching your PEAK!



FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Thurs 27 Nov	Manawatu Striders Schools Road Race
Fri 28 Nov	Year 8 Kainui Catch Up Year 1-3 Big Day Out
Sun 30 Nov	Community Food Drive, from 4pm
Tues 2 Dec	Year 5/6 Interschool Athletics Year 8 Graduation
Sat 6 Dec	School Working Bee
Mon 8 Dec	Wharite Prizegiving, 5.30pm
Tues 9 Dec	Maharahara Prizegiving, 6pm
Mon 15 Dec	End of Term 4
Mon 2 Feb	START OF TERM 1, 2026
Thurs 2 Apr	Teacher Only Day—School Closed
Tues 2 Jun	Teacher Only Day—School Closed

SWIMMING POOL TO OPEN SOON!

The pool heat pump is on and we have a team geared up to do some cleaning to enable the pool to open at the end of next week! Keys will be available from Monday 1 December. School families may hire a key for the season for \$70, which is discounted to \$50 if a family puts their name down on the pool cover roster. Non-school families may hire a key for \$100.

THANKS CENTRAL FOOTBALL!

For the past five Fridays, we have been fortunate enough to have Coach Boxy visit from Central Football. She has run an incredible programme integrating Māori legends and football. We looked at Maui slowing the sun, Matariki, how kiwi lost their wings, cultural diversity and connecting with others over common ground. Each of these learning areas had fun activities that practiced key football skills of controlling the ball. Our tamariki were highly engaged in each session and had lots of conversations afterwards about the lessons they took part in.

SCHOOL WORKING BEE

We invite parents and community members along for a school working bee on Saturday 6 December, from 8am. Some of the jobs you are likely to get involved with are removing an old netball hoop, installing a kickboard on the front fence, gardening, trimming and waterblasting. We'd love to see as many of you there as possible. These working bees are a great way to get to know other school families and to contribute to the school. We appreciate your help!



FRIENDS OF HIWINUI SCHOOL



WINE & CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER



OUR LAST FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR, GET SOME OF THE YUMMIEST CHOCOLATES AROUND & A SELECTION OF WINES - STOCK UP FOR CHRISTMAS!

GREAT GIFTS FOR FRIENDS, WHANAU, STAFF - OR JUST A TREAT FOR YOURSELF.

ENJOY THE TREATS WHILE RAISING FUNDS FOR OUR SCHOOL, WITH A DEAL LIKE THAT - **WINE NOT?**



ORDER NOW VIA SKOOL LOOP OR PAPER FORMS AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.



HUNT FOR A MATE

Manawatu KIDS hunting competition

This competition will be run from the 27th to the 30th November with the prizegiving on the 30th of November at the Halcombe tavern



**\$20 entry
per kid**

EPIC PRIZES TO WIN FROM SOME AMAZING SPONSORS ★

**HEAPS OF CATEGORIES TO GET INVOLVED IN
WITHIN TWO AGE GROUPS!!!**

- Heaviest Rabbits/Hare
- Heaviest Possum
- Heaviest Bird
- Most Rabbits/Hares
- Most Possums

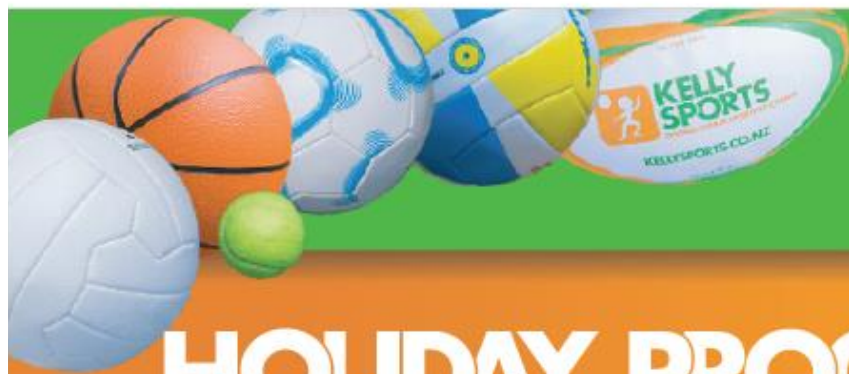


**SIGN UP
HERE!!!**



All proceeds from this event
will be donated to Hunt for a
good charity

**MORE INFORMATION TO COME AT A LATER DATE SO
KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED!!!**



HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 17TH DEC - TUESDAY 23RD DEC
MONDAY 5TH JAN - FRIDAY 30TH JAN



This summer, dive into our action-packed holiday programme. Whether you're a baseball superstar, a fast-footed athlete, or just all about the splash - we've got games & activities that will keep the fun going all day long!

*Some activities may need to be swapped for other exciting ones.
Go online to check out a full up-to-date timetable for your venue.*

BOOK ONLINE AT



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**OSCAR
PROGRAMME
SUBSIDIES
AVAILABLE!**

*Conditions apply



HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

COLLEGE STREET NORMAL SCHOOL

**JAN
2026**

WEEK 01

MON 5 Mine & Craft	TUE 6 Here Batter Batter	WED 7 30 Seconds or Less	THUR 8 PJ Party	FRI 9 Motorsport Mania
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WEEK 02

MON 12 SOAKED	TUE 13 Kiwi Classic	WED 14 Fun-O-Rama Carnival	THUR 15 Let's Ride	FRI 16 GOATS
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WEEK 03

MON 19 PROGRAMME NOT ON TODAY	TUE 20 Old Fashioned Fun	WED 21 Wet & Wild Wednesday	THUR 22 Football Frenzy	FRI 23 Squad Showdown
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WEEK 04

MON 26 *WINTER GAMES Today's Programme will run at Carncot School , see timetable for more information.	TUE 27 *Around the World Today's Programme will run at Carncot School , see timetable for more information.	WED 28 *Dodgeball Blitz Today's Programme will run at Carncot School , see timetable for more information.	THUR 29 *Beyond All Limits Today's Programme will run at Carncot School , see timetable for more information.	FRI 30 *Rewind Today's Programme will run at Carncot School , see timetable for more information.
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USE CODE 'D31FQHTO' FOR AN EARLY-BIRD DISCOUNT

(DISCOUNT EXPIRES 5TH DEC)

T&CS APPLY - SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

IF YOUR CHILD/REN ARE COLLECTED LATE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PROGRAMME YOU WILL CHARGED \$20 PER 15 MINUTES OR PART THERE OF

Go online to check out a full activity timetable for your venue, which may include additional dates.

*** Please note the programme will run from Carncot School from 26th-30th Jan. See our other timetable for more info.**

\$295 FULL WEEK* 8AM-5PM

*(INCLUDES TRIP DAY)

\$59 FULL DAY 8AM-5PM

\$49 SCHOOL DAY 9AM-3PM

\$39 HALF DAY 8AM-12PM/12PM-5PM



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STAND-UP COMEDY CHRISTMAS PARTY

HOSTED BY:
PATCH LAMBERT

HEADLINER:
KAJUN BROOKING



PLUS:
AIRGUITYLER
CHRIS INGHAM
&
ELAINE REILLY



7.30PM SATURDAY, 29 NOVEMBER

GLOBE THEATRE | TICKETS \$20

CONCESSION AND GROUP DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE

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 2026" 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 30th
JANUARY 2026
PAY ONLY \$25**



RUN - BIKE - SWIM

For kids
4-12 YEARS

FIVE EVENT DATES

Mon 2nd FEB 2026
Mon 9th FEB 2026
Mon 16th FEB 2026
Mon 23rd FEB 2026
Mon 2nd MAR 2026

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 30th 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 30th Jan

- Individual child (all 5 events) \$25 OR
- Family of 3 or more (all 5 events) \$75

ENTRY FEES After 30th Jan

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

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

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GOT A QUESTION?

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


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