HIWINUI SCHOOL

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

Kia ora e te whanau

Gumboots & Glam: Fundraiser of the Year!

The wait is officially over … tomorrow is the big day! Our highly anticipated Gumboots & Glam fundraising event is taking place tomorrow evening. A massive thank you to our hardworking fundraising team, volunteers, sponsors, and whānau who have poured so much energy into organising what promises to be a fantastic night.

Mrs Hagan's Auction Highlight: Principal for a Day!

Among our fantastic live and silent auction items, there is one absolute standout: Who wouldn't want to bid on their child being Principal for a Day?

I am certainly looking forward to putting my feet up for a day and watching the school run a little differently! Be sure to get your bidding arms ready for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for your child to step up as a true PATHFINDER and take the reins of Hiwinui School.

Thank you all for supporting this major fundraiser. Every dollar raised goes directly back into providing incredible resources and extracurricular opportunities for our learners. We look forward to seeing everyone dressed up and ready to celebrate tomorrow night! There are a range of fabulous Auction items which we are sure many of you would love to bid on. Don't forget to purchase a van ride to and from the event if you require it.

Plant to Plate



On Wednesday, Room 5 had a fantastic and successful day participating in the annual Plant to Plate programme. Room 5 students spent most of the day based in the TLC, working in hands-on groups:



- *Harvesting & Food Sources:* Students explored our school vegetable gardens to harvest fresh produce and deepen their understanding of where food comes from.
- *Meal Preparation:* Groups worked collaboratively to prepare a delicious and healthy lunch from scratch using the fresh ingredients they harvested.

It was wonderful to see their teamwork, kitchen skills, and enthusiasm for sustainable, garden-to-table cooking and the shared lunch at the end was a highlight.

A Huge Shout-Out: Our New Long Jump Pit!



A massive thank you to Steven Judd and Kevin for getting our long jump pit ready this week in anticipation of athletics! We are very grateful for having the chance to practice before our school event next week.

This is a fantastic addition to our school sports facilities, and we couldn't have done it without the time generously donated by Steven alongside his digger and truck. We are so grateful for our amazing community supporters who give their time and resources to make our grounds the very best for our ākonga.

School Athletics

Parents Welcome & The Highlight Relays!

Whānau are warmly invited to come along on Tuesday afternoon, grab a spot on the sideline, and cheer on our hard-working students as they rotate through track and field events.

The absolute highlight of our afternoon will be the end-of-day relays!

Parents—are you ready to enter your team? We would love to see a parent relay team step up to challenge our house runners on the track! Warm up those muscles, lace up your sneakers, and come ready to race.

Upcoming Whānau Event: Diwali & Restorative Practice Afternoon

Next week, we are hosting a very special combined cultural celebration and parent learning afternoon on Thursday 12th November, from 2:00 pm.

Event Schedule & Details

- *Diwali Class Displays & Shared Treats (From 2:00 pm):* Come along to explore our beautiful Diwali class displays set up in the TLC, Room 1, 2, and 3. Our tamariki have been hard at work creating bright displays (including clay painted pots and delicious homemade coconut burfi!). Shared treats will be available for everyone to enjoy as we celebrate this festival of light and positivity.

- *Parent Information Session: Restorative Practice at Hiwinui (2:30 pm – 3:45 pm):* Join Cath Forster (Restorative Practice Facilitator), Pou Jo, and Mrs Hagan in Room 6 for a presentation on how Restorative Practice operates at Hiwinui School. Cath will unpack how we build strong connection (whanaungatanga), handle restorative conversations, and build student agency to bring out the very best in our learners. Information handouts will be available for parents.
- *Student Supervision & Fun Activities (2:30 pm – 3:45 pm):* While parents attend the Restorative Practice talk in Room 6, our teaching staff will be supervising students on the field. Tamariki will get to enjoy organised field games and a bouncy castle!

We encourage all our whānau to come along, share in some sweet treats, learn together, and celebrate with our school community.

Reminders

End of Year Prizegiving: Please note in your diaries that our annual End of Year Prizegiving will be held on Monday, 7th December at the Village Valley Centre in Ashhurst. Doors open at 5:45 pm for a 6:00 pm start.

Thank you to our entire community for your ongoing partnership, involvement, and enthusiasm across all aspects of school life. Have a wonderful weekend, don't forget to vote and we look forward to seeing many of you at Gumboots & Glam tomorrow night!

Ngā mihi nui, *Anna Hagan, Principal*

HIWINUI PLAYGROUP

The next playgroup will be held on Thursday 19 November from 9am, in The Leigh Centre. All pre-schoolers and their carers welcome. Look for the Hiwinui Playgroup Facebook Group and request to join.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Sat 7 Nov	Gumboots & Glam
Tues 10 Nov	Hiwinui School Athletics, 1pm
Thurs 12 Nov	Diwali/Whanau Afternoon, 2pm
Sat 14 Nov	Manawatu Oroua Pet Day, Rongotea
Thurs 19 Nov	Kainui Senior Athletics
Fri 20 Nov	Year 4 Big Day Out
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
Wed 2 Dec	Year 8 Graduation Dinner
Mon 7 Dec	Whole School Prizegiving, 6pm
Fri 11 Dec	Wharite Big Day Out
Mon 14 Dec	**End of Term 4, 12.30pm**
Tues 2 Feb	Start of Term 1, 2027

PEAK AWARDS

Room 1: *Poppy* has so much spirit, dedication, and passion during athletics. It is an absolute joy to watch her boundless enthusiasm and energy shine through in every practice. Poppy, you show so much AWHI with your cheering, encouraging words, and uplifting attitude. Thank you for being a team player. I can't wait to see your efforts at our Athletics Day on Tuesday. Tu meke Poppy.

Room 2: *Teigan* – Room 2 has been learning all about respect, what it means and what it looks like both in our classroom and across the school. Teigan, this award is for your fantastic, positive attitude toward embracing this learning! I love how you make everyone in our space feel valued and how you always try your absolute best. Keep showing that amazing respect, Teigan, well done!

Room 3: *Pippa*, you are such a focussed and engaged learner. You channel all your energy into every task you do and really strive to reach your PEAK. It has been fantastic hearing all the things that you have been reading about and the interesting facts you like to share. You should be very proud of the kind and thoughtful role model you are to others in our class and how much of an enthusiastic learner you are! Keep up the amazing mahi!

Room 4: *Carolina*, I have been so proud of the focus you have been showing in your learning lately, working hard independently to complete tasks with excellence. You follow steps carefully, making sure you have covered the learning goals, and add in extra details to lift the finished task, either on your own or taking on board feedback. It is nice to see your work always so beautifully presented, too. You can be very proud of your efforts, Carolina!

Room 5: *Eli*, this week you have blown me away with your hard work and dedication to achieving your best. Seeing you step up in Plant to Plate and push yourself during testing has been awesome! Well done, I am very proud of you.

Room 6: *Ben*, I've been so impressed by your effort and dedication across all areas of learning. Your recent test results speak for themselves, they show incredible growth this year, and you should be tremendously proud of what you've achieved. You bring a wonderful balance of strong work ethic and great humour to the classroom every day.

Principal: *Quinn*, I am so impressed by your initiative and creativity in setting up the new "Little Kids Club" alongside Neve! You showed a true PATHFINDER spirit by taking an idea, listening to feedback, and crafting a clear, thoughtful plan to get it up and running. Creating a space that cares for and includes others demonstrates wonderful AWHI and leadership. I can't wait to see your club in action. Keep reaching for your PEAK, Quinn! Ka mau te wehi!

Manawatu Oroua
Boys & Girls Ag Club



Interschool CHAMPIONSHIP DAY 2026

CRAIG CUP

The inter-school Ag Day competition where children compete for points towards the Craig Cup and B&A Cup.

B&A CUP

Your school is already gaining points through your School Ag Day.
Participation and any placing at Championship Day contribute to cup points.
Every child who enters a calf, lamb or goat at their school is eligible to come to Championship Day.

Saturday 14th November

Te Kawau Memorial Grounds, Wear St, Rongotea

No cost to enter

Register online

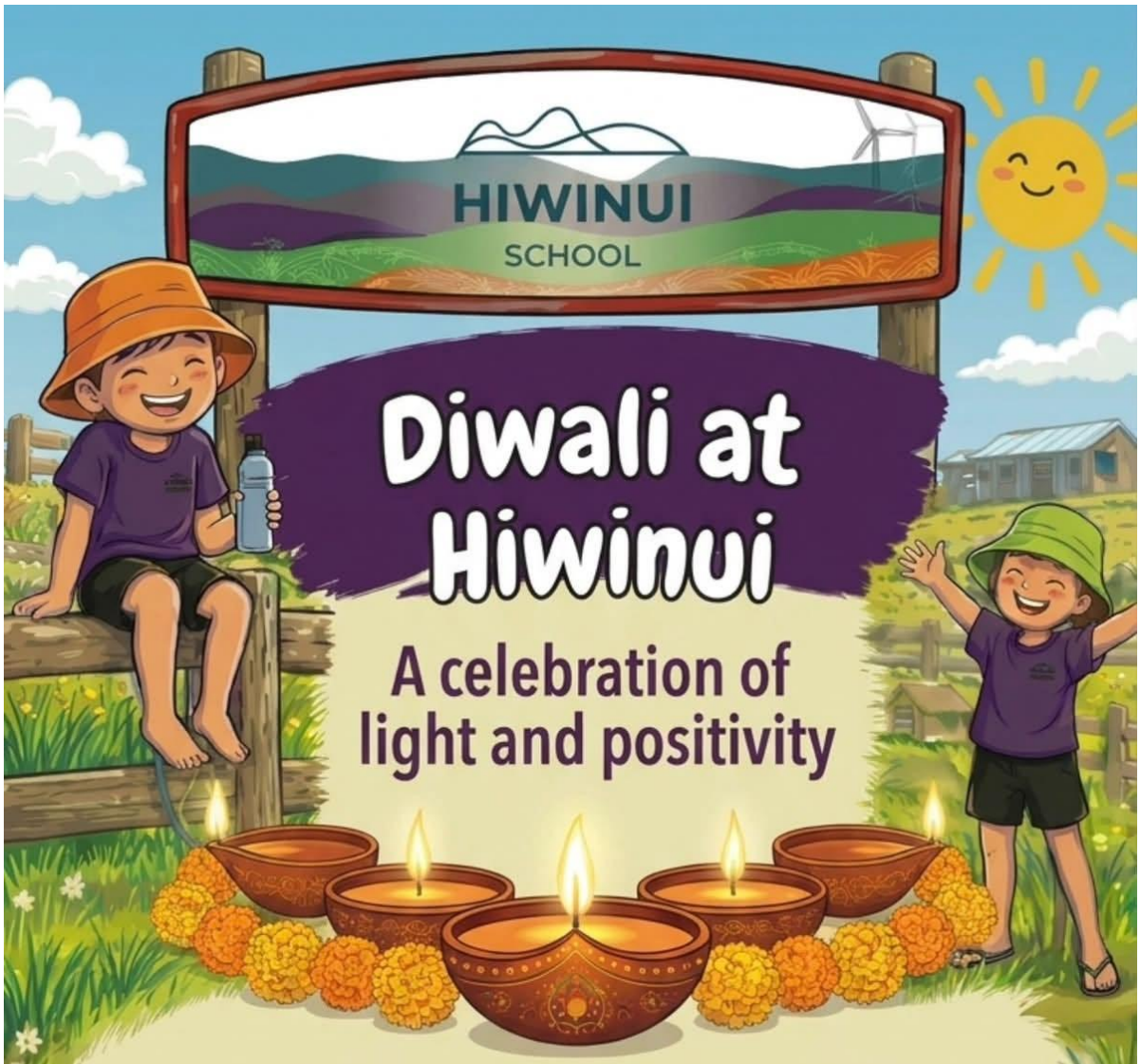
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All judging starts
10am

4 Judging rings
Year 0-2
Year 3-4
Year 5-6
Year 7-8

Ice cream truck | **Sausage Sizzle** | **Hot Drinks**

If you have any questions contact
secretary@lambandcalf.co.nz



Diwali at Hiwinui

A celebration of light and positivity

Diwali Class displays on **Thursday 12th Nov** from 2pm onwards in the TLC, and R1, 2, 3 with some shared treats.

From 2:30pm - 3:45pm: Teachers will supervise students participating in field games and on the bouncy castle whilst Cath shares Restorative Practice at Hiwinui with parents in Room 6 alongside Pou Jo and Mrs Hagan.

Farm Plastic Recycling Event

Bale Wrap and Silage Covers

Thursday 19 November 2026 9:00am - 3:00pm



To register visit and fill the online form

mdc.govt.nz/farmrecyclingevent

You will be contacted at a later date to confirm details, including the Feilding drop off location

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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
Sikoglund 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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