



***Whāia te mātauranga hei oranga mō koutou***  
**Learning for Life and Making it Count**

**2024 Term 3 Week 8 - Friday 12 September 2024**

As we end Term 3 Week 8, we feel fortunate to be experiencing the warm weather. This term the students have enjoyed learning about swimming and water safety at Kaiapoi Aquatic Centre. On Monday 2 September, we were all inspired to read after hearing from Alan Dingley, Te Awhi Rito NZ Reading Ambassador, about the imagination we can develop from reading books. Last week, we were very happy to have the children from Spencerville Playcentre join Pūharakekenui and also be part of morning tea. We look forward to them joining us again in Term 4.

## *New enrolments*

With our current role being small we enjoy everyone knowing everyone else in our school and being able to learn from each other. We also enjoy new students joining us, so if you know of any new families in our zone, please let them know we would welcome them.

## **KAPA HAKA**

**Friday 20 September - 12pm to 2:30pm**

We are fortunate to have Whaea Sonya Faisst, a Kahui ako across schools leader, working with our students on te reo Māori and Kapa haka. Whaea Michelle Rigby, also a Kahui ako across school leader, has also been supporting. Due to this support we are looking forward to performing at the **Ka Matakura o Ruataniwha - North Canterbury Kapa haka Celebration** next Friday at Rangiora Baptist School.

## **BOOK WEEK 2024**

***Grandparents morning*** and ***Book character day.***

**Thursday 26 September - 9am to 10:45am**

For week 10 we will be having a book week, with a book character dress-up day on Thursday 26 September. On this day we are inviting Grandparents to join us from 8:50 until 10:15 to read with their grandchildren and join the classroom programme and morning play and kai time (a cup of tea and cake in the staffroom). Further information will be sent home next week.



## New Zealand Curriculum updates and implementation

**Term 1, 2025:** Schools and kura must teach the updated English and Te Reo Rangatira curriculum for Years 0 to 6, and Maths and pāngarau for Years 0 to 8.

There will be five phases of learning which progress students' knowledge and understanding over time. These phases are Years 0-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-13. These will now be strengthened by a year-by-year sequence so teachers know what they need to cover in each year.

### The New Zealand Curriculum

Available for  
feedback and use

Required

Learning areas		2024	2025	2026	2027
English	(Years 0-6)				
	(Years 7-13)				
Mathematics and statistics	(Years 0-8)				
	(Years 9-13)				
Science					
Technology					
Health and physical education					
Learning languages					
The Arts					
Social sciences					

## Maths Curriculum 2025 [\(LINK\)](#)

The new curriculum has three phases.



There are three elements in the mathematics and statistics learning area:

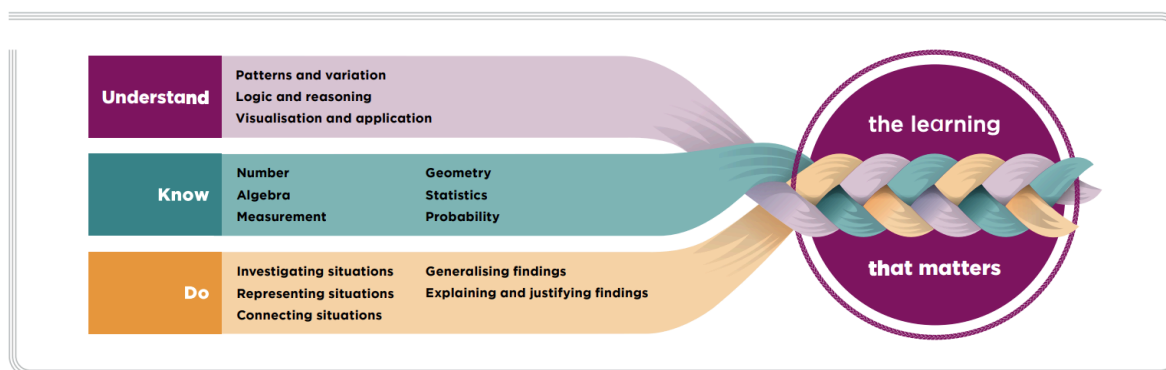
- Understand
- Know
- Do

**Understand** helps connect school maths with the wider world and identifies critical learning in maths. Understand comes alive as students engage in the practices of **Do** to learn the knowledge embedded in Know.

**Know** is broken down into six strands that represent the key learning in maths: number, algebra, measurement, geometry, statistics, and probability.

**Do** includes processes that provide ways of presenting, applying, investigating, manipulating, and connecting the mathematical knowledge in the curriculum.

These processes are central to how students learn and apply maths knowledge.



A comprehensive mathematics and statistics programme has the following elements:

1. Positive relationships with maths
2. Maths mastery and a structured approach to teaching and learning
3. Effective use of technology
4. Explicit teaching

Structure for dedicated maths lessons

- A 'getting started' introduction
- Working time - aim to have a variety explicit teaching and independent or guided practice and activities supporting active retrieval
- A 'connect and reflect' summary - self and peer assessment reflecting on goals and identifying next steps, checking conceptual understanding, with an emphasis on procedures, vocabulary, and representations, noticing and highlighting curiosity, resilience, perseverance through challenges, and progress.

## English Curriculum 2025 (Year 0-6\*) ([LINK](#))

\*Draft English (Years 7 to 13) will be available in Term 4 2024.

The new English Year 0-6 curriculum has two phases.



There are three elements in the mathematics and statistics learning area:

- Understand
- Know
- Do

**Understand** describes the big ideas and themes that students develop over phases 1 to 5.

**Know** outlines the meaningful and important content, concepts, and topics that exemplify and enrich students' understanding of the big ideas and themes.

**Do** describes the skills and actions that students practise, demonstrating what they know and understand.



**Oral language** – the focus of this strand is to teach students to communicate and interact effectively and to express themselves, building a solid foundation for collaborative learning and mutual respect.

**Reading** – the focus of this strand is to teach students to decode and comprehend text and instill in them an early love for reading. › **Writing** – the focus of this strand is to teach students to express ideas in written form that others can understand and to foster a love for writing from an early age.

The teaching of English is a comprehensive teaching and learning programme underpinned by the science of learning, explicit teaching and positive relationships with oral language, reading, and writing.



## *Maths Art Exhibition - Kaiapoi Library*

Yesterday was the opening of an exhibition of artworks based on mathematics from our students and other students from the Kātote kahui ako. The exhibition is at the Kaiapoi Library. Below are some images of the Ōruihia School artworks. You are welcome to visit whenever the library is open.







**Monster Music Lessons:** We have eight students enrolled in lessons. If your child would like to join these students please contact the school office for further information.

## Pūharakekenui news ...

Kia ora,

We have been busy learning basketball skills with the expert help from Mrs Willocks. The children have improved their ability to dribble the ball, pass the ball to other players and to improve their shooting.

The Year 2s have been learning about using skip counting to solve multiplication and how to equal share items into groups. The year 1s have been looking at repeating patterns.

We have been learning different things about gardening including what makes good soil, how plants grow and who are the pests and the helpers of gardens. This will culminate with us beginning to plant vegetables and flowers at the end of the term.

We will be sad to say goodbye to Arlo in the last week of term as he and his family head up to Auckland to be nearer to their close family. We wish him and his family all the very best for the future.

I hope you will be able to get out and enjoy the warmer weather during the holidays.  
Ngā mihi nui  
Lisa

## Te Riu o Te Aika Kawa news ...

Hello to all

We're having a very busy time in Te riu, enjoying the warmer weather and beginning to enjoy some more outside activities such as football games and some basketball with Waiamakariri. It never ceases to amaze me, the skill level and resilience of our tamariki with some full on physical interactions.

This term we have been learning about 2-D and 3-D shapes as well as doing some number work. The students are still enjoying TTRS online, a competitive Times Tables programme and Maths Frame which provides other times table activities and games.

We are all working in a group on the schoolwide Science unit. I have loved viewing the interactions between the older and the younger students. The buddy work is some of the best that I've ever seen.

In the last week of term, we will say goodbye to Asher, when his family moves to Auckland. He will be missed and we hope he keeps in touch with us.

Thanks again for all the parent/whanau support you give the tamariki at our kura, it doesn't go unnoticed.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Carolyn Watson



## Waimakariri news ...

Tēnā koutou katoa,

We have been enjoying swimming, our Literacy Speech Unit (impromptu and persuasive), spelling, geometry, number, basketball skills and gardening.

We have been learning about composting and worm farms in our Gardening Unit including what makes good soil, how to make mini composts and what plants need to group.

Sadly we say goodbye to Jett in the last week of term as their whanau head up to Auckland to be nearer to their close-knit family. We wish the Woodhouse family all the very best and we hope they keep in touch!

Ngā mihi nui,  
Michelle



On Thursday 5th of September, Mr Kemp was working at our school and sharing his painting. He described the process of sketching, painting and redoing the parts he is not happy with. The process has taken about four years including two trips to Italy to take photos in the town this painting is based on. The bird is a griffon. All of the tamariki enjoyed Mr K explaining his painting. We hope he is a guest kaiako again.



### **Year 3 - 6 Girls Got Game Basketball**

This programme start date is now from Monday 16 September until Monday 2 December the students will be trained by members of the 2024 Mainland Pouākai basketball team.



Tō tōtōu iwi, Tō tōtōu whānau

Canterbury Softball will be here to coach the Year 3 to 8 male students on Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Sep, Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Sep from 2-3pm and Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct, Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct from 1-2pm.



Canterbury Cricket will be here to coach the Year 3 to 8 male students on Monday 14 October and Monday 21 October from 2-3pm.



## Teacher only day Monday 18 November

*Monday after Canterbury Anniversary Weekend*

### 2024 Term Dates:

Term 3: Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Sept

Term 4: Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct – Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec  
Mon 28 October – Labour Day  
Fri 15 November – Canterbury Show Day  
Monday 18 November – Teacher only day.

## A word from the PTA...

We are hoping to organise a firewood selling day soon. Please tell family and friends. Email [ouruhiapta@gmail.com](mailto:ouruhiapta@gmail.com) if you are interested in buying some firewood. All money goes towards supporting our lovely school.

From your PTA: Bec, Cora, Kerry, Jenny, Simona, Celeste, Margie and Ben

## A word from the BOT...

With the recent updates to the school classrooms, the Board of Trustees is in the process of making an application to the Ministry of Education to officially change the school name to Ōurihia, with the macron above the first letter. The students are accustomed to saying the name correctly.



## From the office...

### Reminders:

School classrooms are unlocked for the day at 8.30am. If your child arrives before this time they will need to wait outside the library (under cover) until the 8.30am bell goes.

**All children must be picked up by 3:15pm after school.** If you are going to be late for any reason please let me know.

### Uniform:

We ask that parents ensure that their child is in the correct school uniform of:

- navy shorts/culottes/track pants
- jade polo top - these do not need to be monogrammed
- navy sweatshirt/polar fleece - these do not to be monogrammed
- navy undergarments
- ankle socks only to be worn
- Children must wear sports shoes. No crocs are allowed
- Long hair needs to be tied up.
- SUNHATS NEED TO BE WORN FROM TERM 4 - if your child does not wear a hat your child will need to play in the shade.

### Waimakariri Antarctic Visit:

Due to Porter Heights Ski Field closing early for the season, Waimakariri will now be visiting the Antarctic Centre on the 20th September for the morning.

The cost of this is \$50.00 per child Please pay this into the school account below if you haven't already. Waimakariri will then go by bus to the Kapa haka performance.

### Waimakariri School Camp:

The cost is approximately \$230 for the camp. We are busy fundraising with our sausage sizzles which are very popular with the children. We hope to get the price down to around \$200. Thank you to the PTA for also donating, we do appreciate your fundraising on our behalf.

Our school bank account is: 03 1700 0060244 00.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to have a chat about payment.

### Contact Details:

If any of your details or your emergency contact changes please notify the school office straight away. It is essential that we have the most up to date information for all children in case of an emergency or if we need to contact you for any reason.

Thanks for your continued support.:) 😊





Order on school shop or mykindo app

On Tuesdays you can order Subway's delicious and healthy range of subs and more for your child.

Order before 9am on Tuesday or schedule in advance. Set up a Kindo account to order

[www.mykindo.co.nz](http://www.mykindo.co.nz)

[www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://www.ezlunch.co.nz)

You can also cancel before 9am if your child is unwell

Your child's lunch will be delivered to the school in time for lunch.

**Christchurch City Libraries next van visit is the last day of Term 3  
Friday 27 September**

## In our community...



Spencer Park Toy Library  
For more information:  
<https://www.facebook.com/FiddlestyxToyLi>



Spencerville Playcentre  
Open Mon,Tues,Thur 9-1

Ngā Kete Wānanga-o-Ōtautahi

Christchurch  
City Council Libraries



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28 SEPT, 2024

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BAPTIST CHURCH

# SHOW

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### Toolbox Parenting Online Course run by the Parenting Place

These are 6-week programmes that they are mostly running online, for three age ranges 2-4 years, 5-11 years and 12-18 years. There is a cost for these programmes \$90 per person or \$125 for a couple.

Payment subsidies may be available. Contact Georgia [support@parentingplace.nz](mailto:support@parentingplace.nz) to discuss subsidies.

For further information check out the Parenting Place website or contact Kirsten Wylie [kirsten.wyllie@parentingplace.nz](mailto:kirsten.wyllie@parentingplace.nz)

### 24 Hour Charity Cut-a-thon (September)

Supporting Community Wellbeing North Canterbury Trust.

24 hours runs from 9:00am Saturday 21 September to 9:00 am Sunday 22 September at Tom's Chop Shop.



## 24 HOUR CHARITY CUT-A-THON

PROCEEDS FROM CUTS TO COMMUNITY WELLBEING NORTH CANTERBURY TRUST



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