



Te Kura o Hau Karetu

He waka eke noa: *We're all in this waka together*
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Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana, Namaste, Kumusta,

The 5th of November for many of us has been about Guy Fawkes and fireworks. But for Māori, the 5th of November is a date where in 1881, Parihaka was stormed by 1600 troops who were taking over their land. The troops expected to find people who would resist them, but instead, found a peaceful people who were singing waiata and offering them bread to eat. It didn't unfortunately, stop the troops from destroying the village, hurting the people, and confiscating the land. The Crown has since apologised, but it doesn't stop the actual mamae/hurt that was caused and the memories passed down through the generations. We remember the peaceful people of Parihaka. Please see the story of Parihaka below for more details.

Kaupapa mō te wiki/Value for the week:



Our values for this week Kotahitanga/Togetherness – “Stay cool, follow the rules.” Following rules at school can be really tricky when there are just so many of them! The main ones to think about though are:

- Listen to the teacher and follow the instructions
- Be kind to your friends – speak nicely and treat them well
- Wear your potae/sunhat
- Do your best learning all the time
- Show integrity (do the right thing even when no one is looking).

Kapahaka



Important reminder:

This Thursday 7th November, we have the Cultural Festival for Upper Hutt Schools. It is being held at Harcourt from 8.45am for the Mihi Whakatau. Te Kura o Hau Karetu is about 4th on the programme, so we are right at the beginning. Gold coin/koha would be welcomed.

Believe it or not, the long-term weather forecast is looking good for Thursday. However, if the weather turns to custard there is no postponement date. If that is the case, we will hold our own performance at the school on the 7th from 9am where all whānau/families

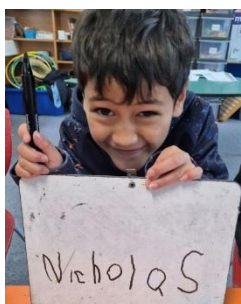
are welcome to attend.

Christmas Raffle:

Christmas Raffles are for sale from next week. If you have quality items to donated to the raffle, please bring them into the office, thank you. Tickets will be \$2 each. We will send home a book of 5 raffle tickets per family to sell please.



Kid of the week:



Nicholas Ripia-Haapu is our Golden Child this week. His teacher, Whaea Donna, was so impressed with his independent work today. Ka rawe Nicholas! Being an independent learner and knowing what to do next is a really important part of growing up. Supporting our tamariki with routines is part of developing that independence, and we think our teachers do a great job of that.

School Photos are happening next week on Wednesday 13th November. Teachers are dressing in rainbow colours and you are welcome to join us with this, or just wear your favourite outfit.

5th November 1881 – we remember the invasion of Parihaka on the 5th November 1881. The following story is from Teachertalk.org.nz:

<https://nzhistory.govt.nz/te-ra-o-te-pahua-invasion-pacifist-settlement-parihaka>

<https://natlib.govt.nz/blog/posts/remembering-parihaka>

https://teachertalk.org.nz/blogs/news/5th-of-november-remembering-parihaka?srsId=AfmBOoo7CjgoCm8ePfGWjLWDulxd7pG-ooDfF6zogT8xgU_sB90VcYbF

5th of November, Remembering Parihaka

Over 130 years ago in 1866 there was a peaceful Pā on the lower slopes of Mount Taranaki called Parihaka. It lay between the Taranaki Coast and Mount Taranaki. Only a few years after the Treaty of Waitangi signing in 1840, which promised Māori they keep their land, Crown soldiers were marching onto many Pā and taking away their land by force.

Two Māori leaders, Te Whiti o Rongomai and Tohu Kākahi, built Parihaka as a place where whānau could find safety from the war that was happening around them. All people of different iwi were welcomed and there were a few thousand people living at Parihaka at this time. The hapū would wear raukura on their head to show that they loved each other and cared for their land. The people of Parihaka were peaceful people.

One day, the people of Parihaka heard that Crown soldiers were coming. This meant a war could happen. They worked in groups to build fences, dig up their land to grow crops and use the land to show this was their home.

Te Whiti o Rongomai and Tohu Kākahi heard the soldiers were coming to destroy Parihaka - their home. They told everyone to come to the marae for a hui. Together, everyone decided that they would wait for the soldiers and pōwhiri them when they arrived.

On the 5th of November in 1881, thousands of soldiers arrived at Parihaka. They were greeted by the whānau of Parihaka waiting peacefully. The women had baked many loaves of bread for the hungry soldiers and the tamariki sung beautiful waiata and danced with their poi.

Although they couldn't stop the soldiers from coming into Parihaka, they still stood tall for the people. The soldiers came and took Te Whiti o Rongomai, Tohu Kākahi and the other men who lived at Parihaka to a prison, far away to the Te Wai Pounamu. When Te Whiti o Rongomai and Tohu Kākahi were allowed to leave prison two years later, they came back and rebuilt their papa kāinga. It had been a horrible time for the whānau of Parihaka. Their sacred homes, buildings, food crops, and livestock, were all destroyed by the soldiers.

Just recently, over 130 years later, the Crown made an apology to the hapū of Parihaka and Taranaki about the way they had been treated so unfairly. The Crown said they had done wrong, they had made bad choices and had hurt the whānau of Parihaka and their descendants.

Parihaka is a small village today, but its spirit stands tall with its story of peace!



Guy Fawkes Facts – did you know:

The history begins with the events of 5 November 1605 when [Guy Fawkes](#), a member of the [Gunpowder Plot](#), was arrested in England while guarding [explosives](#) the plotters had placed beneath the [House of Lords](#). The plotters had intended to assassinate King [James I](#) and his parliament. Celebrating that the king had survived, people lit bonfires around London. Months later, the [Observance of 5th November Act](#) England, mandated an annual public day of thanksgiving for the plot's failure.

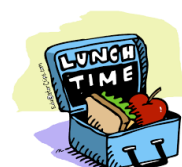
Be safe this Guy Fawkes season everyone!

NZ Fire and Emergency Services advise to stay safe when using fireworks by:

- Lighting them in a wide-open space, away from anything that could catch fire
- Having a large bucket of water or hose at hand.
- Ensuring your fireworks are pointed at the sky and won't end up in anything that can catch fire including buildings or vegetation.
- Being a good neighbour. Letting people know around you if you're planning to set fireworks off, especially those with pets and livestock.
- Disposing of your fireworks safely - soak them in water before you throw them out.

Heads up:

- **Kutu/Nits** – They are still present every day – please check your child's hair. We have nit solution at the office if you need it.
- **Tummy bug** – it's going around. If your child vomits or has diarrhoea they cannot return to school until 48 hours (2 days) after their last event – thank you.
- **Measles** – Measles are making a comeback throughout the motu/ country. Please make sure you immunise your child against measles if they haven't been already.
<https://info.health.nz/conditions-treatments/infectious-diseases/about-measles/measles-immunity>
- **School Start and Finish & Attendance:** Please remember that school begins at 9am and finishes at 3pm. It's important children are at school **every day and on time**. Thank you.
- **Absences:** If your child is not going to be at school, please advise the office via text on 0275269552, or via the Skool Loop app. Make sure you tell us the reason they are absent.
- **Entry in to and from School: Mornings** - drop your child off at the front gate or the back. If you are running late, please drop at the office – thank you.
- **School Gates:** A reminder to everyone to please be respectful of our school gate closures. Front gates are closed from 9.30am until 2pm, then again from 2.50-3.10pm. Back gates are closed from 9am-2.55pm. Please do not ask our staff to open the gates for you during this time.
- **Breakfast Club:** Runs 5 days per week from 8 – 9.30am. We are always in need of volunteers for Breakfast Club please. If you would like to volunteer for this job, please advise Roseanne or Rachel at the office. Thank you.
- **Lunches in Schools:** We provide lunches each day. The kai will be offered to every child. All children are expected to at least try the kai.
- **Water only:** We are a water only school which means children can only drink water while they are at school. We would encourage your child to bring a drink bottle of water each day.
- **Assemblies:** We hold our weekly celebration Assembly on Fridays at 9am. All whanau are welcome to attend.
- **School Policies:** Our school policies and procedures can be found at schooldocs.co.nz, username: maoribank and password waka. We would encourage you to check these out as we will ask you to have your say on their review every three years. Our current policies for review are:



Term 4 review topics	Review opens 14 October
• Finance and Asset Management Policy	Board review
• Managing Income and Expenditure	Board review
• Financial Conflicts of Interest	Board review
• School Donations and Student Activity Payments / Attendance Dues and Other Income	
• Expenditure	
• Asset Management and Protection	Board review
• Property Planning and Maintenance	
• Prevention of Bribery, Corruption, Fraud, and Theft	

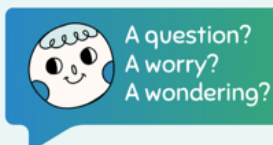
Ngā mihi nui
Karen Wellington,
Kaihautu/Timekeeper on the Waka

Schedule of Events Term 4, 2024

Week 4 4-8 Nov	Assessment week Interschool athletics – TBA Cultural Festival Thursday 7 th Nov, Harcourt Park, 8.45am – all invited to attend
Week 5 11-15 Nov	School Photos – Wednesday 13 th November Teachers are all wearing rainbow colours for the photos – join in with us!
Week 6 18-22 Nov	Swimming starts – please have your togs and a towel ready each day. Community Emergency Response Practice – Thursday 21 st November, 5.30-7pm. Kai provided – all welcome. See flyer below.
Week 7 25-29 Nov	
Week 8 2-6 Dec	EOTC week (Education Outside the Classroom) Senior camp Wed-Fri (years 5-8) Junior trips Mon & Wed TBA
Week 9 9-13 Dec	Thursday 12 th Dec– Year 6,7,8 Leaver's Celebrations and Prizegiving Ceremony – 1pm
Week 10 16&17 Dec	Monday 16 th December – Reports go out today Last day Tuesday 17 th December at 12pm



Clearing the path to a positive future
Para he huarahi ki te ora



Connect With Us ...

The UHub space is open:
Mondays 9:30am - 4pm
Tuesdays 9:30am - 12.30pm

The Learning Centre,
Fergusson Drive,
Upper Hutt City Library.

Email us office@uhub.org.nz
Follow us on
[facebook.com/UhubUpperHutt](https://www.facebook.com/UhubUpperHutt)

UHub Invites
You to ...

Our 'Empower U' Sessions:

Term 4

Our 'Empower U' Sessions are one hour long; 20 minutes of learning, 20 minutes of exploring resources, and 20 minutes to connect. Our sessions are designed for parents, grandparents, and caregivers. All welcome, at no cost!

★ All Kinds of Minds Coffee Connection



Join us at UHub for a warm hour of connection and conversation! If you're interested in, or curious about neurodiversity in children, this is the perfect opportunity to meet other families, share experiences, and explore valuable resources together.

Monday 4 November: 1pm - 2pm

**Venue: Learning Centre,
Upper Hutt City Library, Fergusson Drive**



★ Dads Doing ADHD - Aroreretini

Inviting all Dads, Grandads, Uncles with children who have ADHD-Aroreretini behaviours or a diagnosis. This is a fantastic opportunity to connect with fellow dads, share experiences, and explore valuable resources together.

Thursday 7 November: 6pm - 7pm

**Venue: RTLB Rooms, Upper Hutt School,
Brown Street**



★ Navigating Food with Children

Does your child have a challenging relationship with food?

Join us to explore common challenges, identify normal behaviours, and learn effective strategies to encourage a wider range of foods.

Monday 25 November: 1pm - 2pm

**Venue: Learning Centre,
Upper Hutt City Library, Fergusson Drive**

Or

Thursday 28 November: 6pm - 7pm

**Venue: RTLB Rooms, Upper Hutt School,
Brown Street**

Book your
spot now!

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Safer School Runs



When children arrive at or leave school, how and where you stop, park and drive can protect them or put them in danger.

Drivers and children need good visibility to be able to see each other.

Parking restrictions are in place near schools for a reason - to protect our tamariki.

**CHAOS at the school gate...
are you part of the problem?**

**Choose to stop or park safely
and legally every time.**



Te Kaunihera o
Te Awa Kairangi ki Uta
Upper Hutt City Council

Stopping & parking near a school



**Everyone is only here for
"a minute or two", but where
and how you stop or park matters.**

Stopping on broken yellow lines, across a driveway, on a bus stop, and double parking are illegal and risky maneuvers. They endanger children and other pedestrians, and you may get fined if you choose to:

Stop or park on broken yellow lines.....	\$100
Double park.....	\$100
Stop or park in front of or within 1 metre of a vehicle entrance or driveway.....	\$70
Stop or park on the footpath.....	\$70
Stop or park on or near a pedestrian crossing.....	\$100
Stop or park in a way that is inconsiderate to other road users, including pedestrians.....	\$100
Stop or park in an area reserved for disabled persons	\$750

Please put children's safety first at all times.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE PRACTICE

**In a disaster your
neighbours are your
first and best source
of support**

Come along and practice working together as a community during a disaster

Thursday, 21 November 2024 | 5:30 to 7:00 pm

**Te Kura o Hau Karetu School Hall,
32 Hillside Drive, Maoribank, Upper Hutt**

Using an earthquake scenario, this session will cover how to:

- Set up your local Community Emergency Hub
- Ensure those in need are supported
- Overcome potential challenges together
- Make the most of the resources you have locally

Everyone is welcome. Join in and be more prepared as a community.



Find out more at wremonz.nz/calendar