

Te Horo School

#Newsletter #11 - 23th July 2025

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Important dates - Term Three

Library closed for stocktake	Monday 21st - Friday 25th July
Mihi Whakatau	Friday 25th July. This is to welcome all our new students starting at Te Horo school during term 3. Our school community is also most welcome to join us to welcome our new students and their whanau.
School Board Meeting	Thursday 31st July at 7pm - Held in the school board room ** All parents & caregivers welcome For more information please email bevan.holloway@th.school.nz
School Board Elections Parent Representative - Nominations close	12 noon Wednesday 6th August
Otaki College Information Evening	Thursday 7th August at 5.30pm - Te Horo School Staffroom
Choir visit to Charles Fleming village	Friday 8th August 1:00 – 2:30pm - Please return permission slips to the school office.
School Board Elections Voting papers issued	Wednesday 13th August
School Board Elections Election day	Wednesday 10th September
Paddy's Mart	Saturday 13th September - Gates Open - 11am

Hato Hone St John's Wellbeing Programme



Congratulations to our Year 7 & 8 students who successfully completed the St John's Wellbeing Programme during Term Two! We hope they've gained lifelong wellbeing skills to draw on whenever needed.

A huge thank you to Megan from Hato Hone St John's for facilitating this valuable programme for our Year 7 & 8s. Your ability to connect with and impart such important messages to our treasured students is truly appreciated.

Here is the link to our [wellbeing and check in ideas](#) that have been shared with our Year 7 & 8 parents.

[Brainyparenting.com](#) by Nathan Wells is a website with 'brains by age' webinars helping you to understand how your child is thinking and growing, giving you some skills to raise, happy, engaged and resilient humans.



Good Sorts visiting Te Kōwhai

Te Kōwhai had a special visitor last week: Constable Michael Zentveld who is one of our local Police officers and Gabriel's dad. Michael told us about his work, helping people in the community. We loved hearing about the different parts of his mahi and it was very funny when he put Mr P in handcuffs! It's great for us to learn about people in our community and the different ways they contribute to a safe and enjoyable place for us all. We're looking forward to a visit from our next Good

Sort...who could it be?

Let's get FIREWISE!

A huge thank you to Fire Officers Rachael and Hugh who worked with our Year 0-4 classes this week, strengthening their understanding of how to be Firewise. We really appreciate your work in keeping us all safe in the community. The visit from the fire truck was so much fun too!

Whānau: please keep an eye out for the home booklets to follow up on this learning.



Performing Arts - Events and Excursions

Rock Bands:

- Bandquest information and permission form [please follow this link](#)
NB meeting at 12.15 - need to do sound checks from 1.30pm
- Pop up concert Thursday 21 August, 11.45 in the hall - all welcome

Performing Arts End of Term Concert (choir, rock bands, music lessons)

Thursday 18 September, 11.45 in the hall

Choir performances:

- Charles Fleming Retirement Village: 8 August (afternoon) Notice sent home for permission and transport. Please email Wendy if you need another 😊
- Assembly week 3: Thursday 31 August, 2pm in the hall

Please don't hesitate to be in touch with any queries: wendy.keating@th.school.nz

Whittakers Chocolate Fundraising

A reminder to our Year 6 & 8 whanau to please return all money (a full box is \$90) and any unsold chocolates to school by Friday 1st August 2025. When you bring in the funds, could you please clearly indicate whose child the money is for and the number of the box that was sold? This will help us track everything efficiently. Of course, if you prefer to pay by EFTPOS, you can do so at school via the Home & School account.



Thank you so much for your support in making our camps more affordable for everyone! Let's make this a sweet success!

Cow Pat Bingo

Wow! It is that time of year again ... time to start thinking about Paddy's Mart. If you are willing to sell some plots for Cow Pat Bingo please email danielle.mcmurchie@th.school.nz with your name, phone number and email address. Danielle will then send home some instructions with your sheet of 25 plots to sell. The plots are sold individually for \$4 each or 3 plots for \$10. The winner of Cow Pat Bingo will win \$500 cash. The cow will come to Paddy's Mart, do its business in a plot and there will be one winner. If you take a sheet you are committed to selling the plot numbers before Friday 15th August. All sheets will need to be back to Danielle, SOLD or UNSOLD by this date. If they are not back then we will assume they are unsold and will resell them on the day. Let's see if we can sell all plots before the day! Thanks! Danielle McMurchie.

Board of Trustees Election - 10th September 2025

INTRO TO SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

The boards of all state and state integrated schools are required to hold elections every three years, and this will be happening again in 2025.

The School Board is an important part of our Te Horo school as they set the strategic direction for our school, consult with our school community about our school, ensure the school's funding is spent wisely and ensure that we are giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi within our school. Our board is made up of five parent representatives, Allie McHugo (Principal) and a staff rep elected by the staff.

The current board has made the decision to appoint an Election Pilot as the Returning Officer for our election and for the election to be provided online. They have been assisting schools with elections for over 20 years and have been the only election provider accredited by the Ministry of Education to provide online election services since online elections started in 2022. Nomination and voting forms will be sent to all eligible voters by email directly from Election Pilot. If we don't have an email address for you, nomination and voting papers will be sent by post so no one will miss out.

School Board Elections must be held in accordance with the provisions in the Education and Training Act 2020 and the Education (Board Elections) Regulations 2022. Your name and contact details have been provided to the Schooled Election Pilot to enable the provision of elections services for our school as required by legislation. They will use your contact details for the provision of election services for Te Horo school only and your details will be deleted 60 days after the election date as required by legislation. If you have any questions about the election process, please contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or election@electionpilot.nz. We will continue to keep you updated through the various stages of the election process, and our election date is 10th September 2025.

NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

Formal Nominations are now open for the election of five parent representatives to the Te Horo School Board. Schooled Election Pilot have been appointed as the Returning Officer for this election.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form by email, or if we do not have your email address it will be sent to you by post. The nomination pack will include a cover letter explaining the nomination process as well as a nomination form. You can use this form to nominate yourself, or you can nominate someone else in the community. (If you are going to nominate someone else, ensure they are aware of your

nomination and are willing to accept the nomination). Information on who is not eligible to be a School Board member is provided with the nomination form.

If you need additional nomination forms, or forms in Te Reo Māori of a different language, please contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or election@electionpilot.nz. Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 6th August. Nominations can be submitted by email, through the Election Pilot system at www.electionpilot.nz or by returning the completed nomination form to the school office. You may provide a candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school office and can be viewed during normal school hours.

Voting closes at 4pm on Wednesday 10th September.

If this sounds like you and you would like more information, please email Bevan Holloway our presiding member bevan.holloway@th.school.nz or contact the school office 06 364 3071 or email office@th.school.nz

Our 2025 pre-election board meetings are:

- Thursday 31st July at 7pm
- Thursday 28th August at 7pm

Otaki College Information Evening - 7th August

All year 6, 7 & 8 parents, caregivers & students are warmly invited to our school staffroom on the 7th August at 5.30pm for an Otaki College information evening. Please RSVP to the school office if you would like to attend office@th.school.nz



Ag Day - 11th November

HOROWHENUA BOYS & GIRLS AGRICULTURAL CLUB INFORMATION

It will soon be Agricultural Club time again, and we would like to encourage students to start thinking about rearing a calf, lamb or kid. Birth dates for calves are 1st July - 31st August, Lambs & Kids are 15th July onwards.

If your family needs support finding a lamb please contact the school office as we have contact numbers for local farmers that have orphan lambs available. You will also need to register for Ag Day either online via the schools website or by picking up a registration form at the school office.

Another option for students that like to garden is growing flower & vegetable gardens. Last year we had students that grew gardens at home and also at school in the school garden. If your child/ren may need support please feel free to email Maddy West

maddy.west@th.school.nz

Absentees

If your child is unwell or absent from school, please contact the school office by 9am. Many parents have recently forgotten to do this, which affects health and safety procedures and adds to the admin team's workload. You can report absences via email, phone, or the Skool Loop or Edge apps.

Please contact the school office if you have any questions or need some information on how to use the Skool loop, or the Edge app.

Nga mihi 🌻🌻🌻

A very big "THANK YOU" to the school community for your support of this week's Curriculum delivery/Teacher only day. Our teaching team spent the day at Otaki College learning about the new maths curriculum.

Garden Club Needs your Help

It is great to see many of our younger students in school showing an interest in growing vegetables and flower plants in our school.

Sadly however the wood for many of our raised garden beds in the school garden zone is currently falling apart, so we are seeking anyone in the community who has, or knows where we could acquire, tanalised timber planks of lengths of 1-3m, so that these can be rebuilt.

Furthermore, if you have any packets of seeds or seedlings that you would like to donate to this learning space, these can be dropped off at the school office, along with any gardening



tools that you no longer require at any time throughout the year. Thank you for your continued support.

Pizza Fridays are Back for Term 3!!!

Year 6 & 8 are fundraising for camp later this year, please support their pizza Fridays!! Orders can be placed at the office before 9am each Thursday (Cash only please)



Pizza Time

Friday Pizza Lunches are continuing at school

Every Friday in Term 3

Ham & Cheese, Hawaiian, Pepperoni & Simply Cheese
Place your order for the week in the school office before 9am Thursday

1 slice = \$3
2 slices = \$5

Please note the Pizza is cut into 6 pieces so that slices are larger than normal

CASH ONLY

Place cash in named envelope (name, room number and order) and pop in the pizza box in office

TE HORO HOME & SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Paddy's Mart (Our School Fair) Collection - NOW OPEN

Have a clean out and bring all your good quality used items to the school office where we are collecting all these lovely things to sell at Paddy's Mart. Homewares, Toys, Books all accepted. We don't accept clothing, tv's/monitors, computers or large furniture.

THIS WEEK'S REQUESTS

We need your good quality unwanted items for Bric a Brac

Toys need your complete and unwanted toys

Books need your unwanted books or comics

Mystery Bottles and jars are looking for items of mystery! Look for examples of this in the School Office

Preserves - have any spare that we can sell? Bring them into the office

Feeling crafty? Our craft stall is always looking for homemade crafts to sell.

We need helpers to start putting up hands to help on the stalls on the day. Please get in touch at the office or homeandschoolchair@th.school.nz

PADDY'S MART
13th SEPTEMBER
GATES OPEN 11AM

7 weeks to go.....!

The weather might be a bit unpredictable but one thing is certain, Paddy's Mart is just around the corner and it's time to start planning.

If you haven't been involved before, or don't know where to start let's tell you what we plan on doing with the money raised this year:

This year's proceeds will go towards upgrading our playground equipment.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Put your hand up and offer to help! You might help on the day, or you might help beforehand. Either way, think about how you can get involved or get in touch with us and we can help you get involved.

We have stalls that need helpers, lots of helpers, talk to your social group and get involved with a stall.

Stalls currently needing help are our Cafe, Sweets, Bouncy Castles and our Brick A Brac. We also need a Photographer.

Each week one of these flyers will be sent out. Please read this "weeks requests" and off to help by bringing much needed goods along for us to sell on the day.

Be prepared...

As the event gets closer the number of requests seems to escalate. So let's tell you in advance what we are going to need:

Sweets Stall will need people to make delicious treats to sell on the day. Dig out your favourite recipe and offer to help.

Cakes will need help baking too. There will be Bake days at school where you can come along and bake.

We need goods to sell for lots of stalls; books, bric a brac, toys, plants etc. Bring everything into the school office.

Mystery bottles will also need donations. They are looking for good quality full bottles of wine, oil, sauces etc. for their stall, a box is available in the office to drop your donations off.

Our grocery raffle will need donations to make this happen. If you have goods to donate, bring them into the office. Every one item makes a difference.

Mystery jars is a great stall run by Rooms 5&6. Filled jars are an easy project to get your little ones involved in, pop into the office for examples.

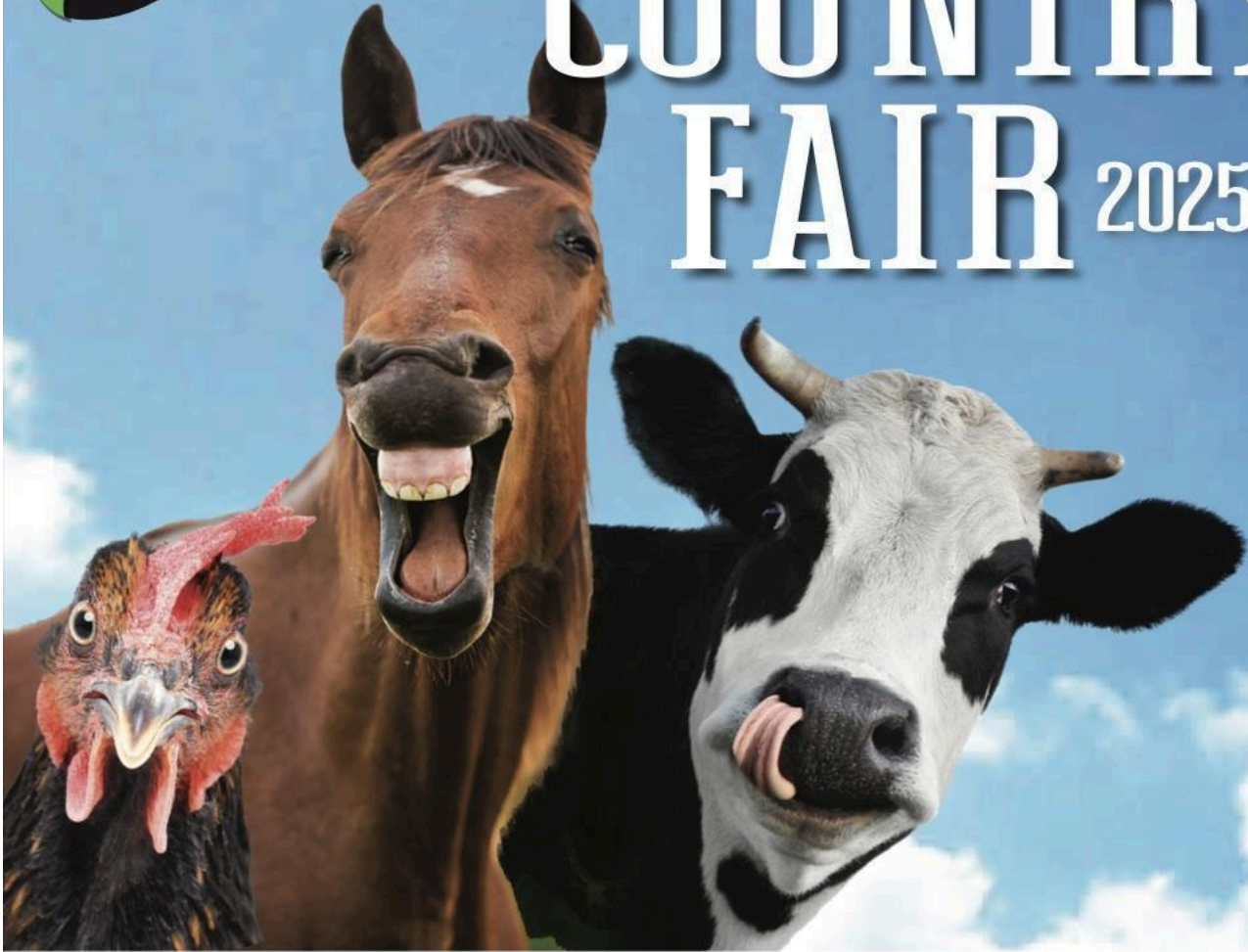
Remember your clutter might just be someone's treasure, not to mention valuable funds for our school

GET IN TOUCH:

homeandschoolchair@th.school.nz
or the school office.

PADDY'S MART

TE HORO SCHOOL **COUNTRY FAIR** 2025



**SWEETS, PLANTS, BRIC A BRAC, CRAFTS,
PONY RIDES, FOOD STALLS, BOOKS &
TOYS, RAFFLES, BOUNCY CASTLES, CAKE
STALLS, GAMES, LIVE MUSIC & MORE!**

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**13 SEPTEMBER 2025
GATES OPEN 11AM**

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QUIZ NIGHT

@ TE HORO HALL

Thursday 31 July 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Organize a team & create a team name - up to a max of 8 per team/table.
(You can buy your tickets as a team for \$120, or individually for \$15 each using the team's name)

Don't have a Team?

Join the "No Name Team" and meet your fellow team members on the night

BYO drinks & nibbles. A low-cost, no fuss night out with friends.

Buy your tickets **NOW** and help fund Stage 2 of Te Horo Hall's restoration – replacing the exterior cladding is next.

Go to www.tehorohall.org.nz - be in quick and don't miss out.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED
SUPPORT**



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mob 0279 55 1118



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Parent Night

Thursday 14th August - Free Workshop on supporting our children with understanding emotional literacy.

Raumati South School 7:00pm - 8:00pm



Family Mindfulness

3x Sessions \$75.00

Thursday 4th, 11th, 18th September

Raumati South School 7:00pm - 8:00pm

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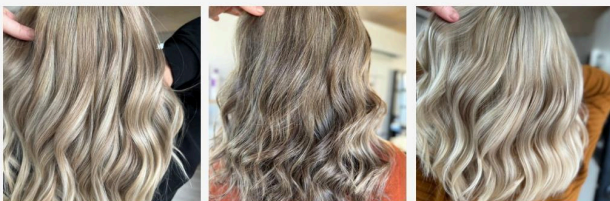
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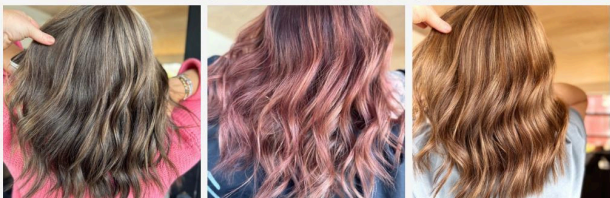
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