



ARAPOHUE SCHOOL

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24 November 2021

Kia ora whanau,

Term 4 is rushing along, full steam ahead and we are definitely on the downward slide to Christmas with less than three weeks of school left. Once again our year has been interrupted by Covid lockdowns, infections and mandates and I am sure we look forward to farewelling 2021!

Huge thanks to our parents for your support with the changes made by waiting outside the gates at pick up and drop off times, for wearing masks if you need to come onsite, and also to our volunteers, for providing vaccination status to ensure you are able to be onsite.

TENNIS

We were thrilled to have Janet and Raewyn from Tennis Northland run a coaching session last week. Our students loved the experience and have been keen to play at break times.



FUNDRAISING

We have been offered two fundraising opportunities to kick off 2022 and are looking for volunteers who would be keen to help! 2022 fundraising will be tagged to the creation of a BIKE TRACK on the rugby field.

January – a local land owner has asked us to do a **HARD** days work on his farm picking up hay bales. He is estimating we would need between 12 and 16 people keen to put in a days HARD work and he will donate \$1000 to the school. As with these things, there is no specific dates, other than early Jan as it is contractor and weather dependent. Please fill out the form below to indicate interest/availability to we can see if the venture is viable!

February – We are catering at the Arapohue Show down at the Showgrounds on the 12th of February. This will involve some food prep, cooking, serving and clean up. Neil Piper will be overseeing this but he needs a team of approximately 5 people available to work with him for the day - it will be a GREAT fundraiser for the school and you will get free entry to the show! If we get enough helpers, we could run shifts.

NEW STUDENTS

We have already started receiving enrolments for 2022, if you have a pre-schooler who will be starting with us next year (OR KNOW OF ANY NEIGHBOURS OR FRIENDS WHO DO) please make contact with the office so we can begin the enrolment process.

WELLINGTON CAMP

We have 8 of our senior students super excited to be heading away to Wellington next week for 5 days. We will fly to Wellington from Whangarei and get to enjoy visits to Wellington Zoo, the National Library, Space Place, Te Papa, H2O Extreme and Capital E. We also are thrilled to be able to meet Matua Whaitiri Poutawa and do some Kapa Haka with him! What a great way to finish the school year!

PATH VALUES AWARD:

Prize Wheel draws saw in Week 3:

Sula: ice cream treat – YUM!!

Kaycee: absent



Prize Wheel draws saw in Week 5:

Jariah: free time with a friend – lovely to see him enjoying some time with Leon.

Locē: absent

CONGRATS also to **Hailey, Matthew, Gemma and Payton** who have earned 25 PATH cards – Payton chose Principal for an hour while the others had a quick dip in the Prize box!

We have officially filled the basket of awesome with PATH cards so are planning a whole school fun reward day for the 9 December 2021.

CLASSROOM AWARDS

The following students also received classroom awards at assembly, doing great mahi in class

WK 3: **Payton, Mac, Summer, Heidi, Zikyrh, Rowan, Matthew and Elsie**

WK 5: **Nelson, William, Hunter, Leila and Natasha**

Well done everyone – keep being AWESOME!

CALENDAR ART

Huge thanks to the orders for Calendar Art – we hope this helps with your Christmas Shopping and we are keeping fingers and toes crossed that the orders arrive before school finishes.

ARAPOHUE SCHOOL BOARD UPDATES

The Board have regretfully accepted a resignation from our wonderful office administrator, Mrs Leanne Brown. Leanne is our longest serving staff member currently and holds a vital role in our school. She is the first point of contact for many of our families and has an extensive knowledge of our school, our community and how EVERYTHING runs – we will miss her. Leanne will be retiring at the end of the school year and the Board and staff will farewell her on the 10th of December.

The Board spent a long time at our meeting on Tuesday discussing the implications of the Public Health Order, and how this impacts the running of our school and the ability to have **ALL** of our parents involved in any events we hold.

After much deliberation, and in the interests of the health and safety of our students, we have decided to follow Ministry of Education advice and not have parents attending our School Prizegiving this year. We will still hold the prizegiving down at the Showgrounds and will be working to find a way to livestream and/or record this event to enable parents to still be involved.

Following on from this is the ability of parents to attend school trips or volunteer at school. To have you involved with our programmes we will need to evidence your vaccination certificate. (please note, appointment cards are no longer acceptable forms of evidence) If you are happy to share this information with the school please email a screen shot of the certificate to kylie@arapohue.school.nz and we will begin to compile a list. We appreciate the sensitivity of this information and only ask you to share it if you are comfortable to do so. We are hoping to have our end of year FUN DAY on the 9th of December and will definitely require parent help on this day.

A reminder to always make contact if you have any school related questions or queries and to keep up to date with everything make sure you follow our school facebook page. If you don't receive emails from the school during lockdown/alert level changes please also check your SPAM folders as some families are finding that's where their copies end up!

Mauriora,
Kylie Piper.

2021 Term 4 Some Dates to Remember

Tuesday	23 November	Arapohue School Board Meeting, 6:30 staffroom
Monday	29 November	Seniors trip to Wellington
Monday	6 December	End of Year reports come home
Thursday	9 December	School fun day – details to follow
Friday	10 December	School Prizegiving – livestreaming details to follow Farewell to Mrs Brown
Wednesday	15 December	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – we finish at 12:30.

Please note the All Saints Church have cancelled the Carols Service planned for the 14th.

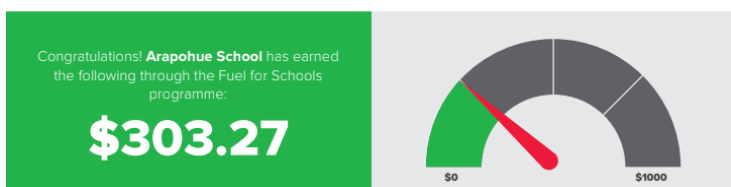
Thursday	3 February	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 2022
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FUNDRAISING



We would like to take the time to mention who those members of the community are that have contributed to your school, they are listed as follows:

ASP Farms Ltd
Lambly Building Maintenance Services
Kent Phillips
MT Turiwiri Ltd
Dyson Family Farms Ltd
Aponga Jerseys Ltd
Airedale Farms Ltd
Wainui Lands Ltd
The Riverbank Trust
RA Yates and CA McNabb
Feltrim Farms Ltd
K and M Bradley Ltd
JWB and MF Montgomery
Baker Upholstery
Lumbercuts 2009 Ltd
Boarz Ltd



I have received and read this newsletter dated 24 November 2021:

Name _____ Signature: _____

Fundraising HELP:

Hay stacking – please indicate day/s available and number of helpers

	2 Jan	3 Jan	4 Jan	5 Jan	6 Jan	7 Jan	8 Jan	9 Jan	10 Jan
Available ✓									
# of helpers									

Arapohue A&P Show Catering - I am available to help Saturday 12th February

Name: _____

Upto Students?

We want to hear from you!
Share your hopes and fears for the future of our Taiao (the natural world) in Te Tai Tokerau Northland, so we can take better care of her and move forward together.

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