



12 August 2022

Kia ora whānau,

Three weeks into the term and it feels like we have done so much already. The sunshine in between the rain has definitely been appreciated, long may it last! Check out our awesome new values flags that finally arrived in the holidays! We also cant wait to show off the new school gazebo at Ag Day!



## 2022 AG SHOW DAY

Please find attached animal registration forms (we have sent home paper copies for all families this week so everyone has the necessary forms), entries must be received by 16<sup>th</sup> September. We have also attached the indoor schedule of events that your child/ren may like to work on at home and bring into school in week 10, ready for judging.

**ANY TROPHIES WON LAST YEAR NEED TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PLEASE.**

We will also be running our regular **grocery hamper raffle** and would ask for each student to bring a grocery item or two to put into the hamper. If these could be at school by the end of August that would be awesome.

Rochelle in the office has been busy making contact with local businesses looking at sponsorship /donations for prizes/raffles for our Ag Day. If you have any direct contacts and would like to make contact please let us know.

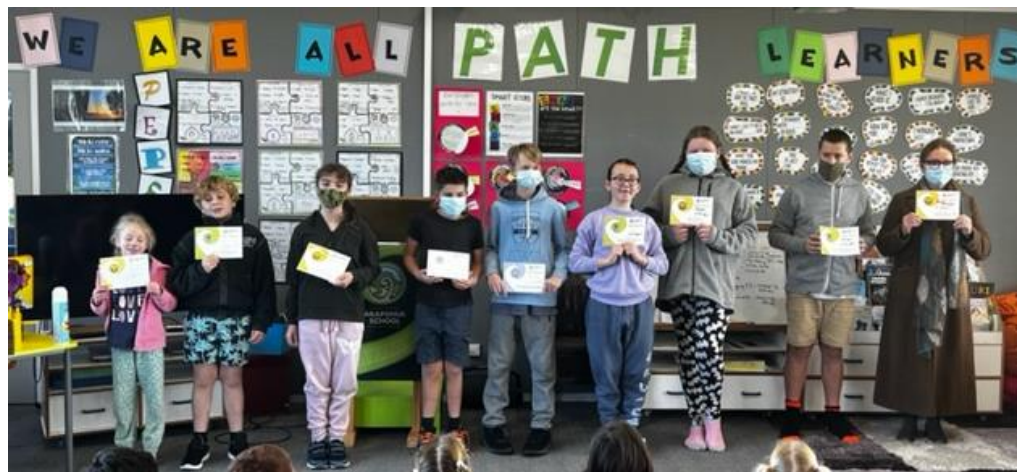
## THANK YOU

A belated, but none the less important, thank you to Kevin Reid for donating a load of metal for Te Wā and to Reuben Vincent for delivering it. As soon as things dry out a little we will be able to place it into the garden.

## NEWS FROM TODAY'S ASSEMBLY

Today's assembly was run by Rākau where they shared with us some of the amazing writing they have been doing. They also shared with us some new books that have been purchased for our library.

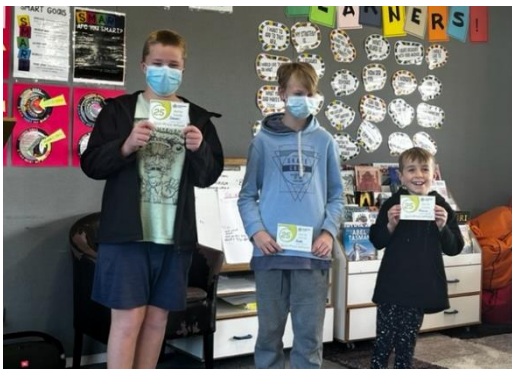
**Classroom awards** this week went to: Sara, Alex, Natasha, Angus, Zade, Payton, William Hailey and Whaea Philippa.





## PATH card prize draw:

Congratulations to Angus and Mac (and Harper who we will catch up with when she is back!) who had their names drawn today. Mac won PIE FACE with a friend (lucky Nelson!) and Angus had a dip in the treasure chest.



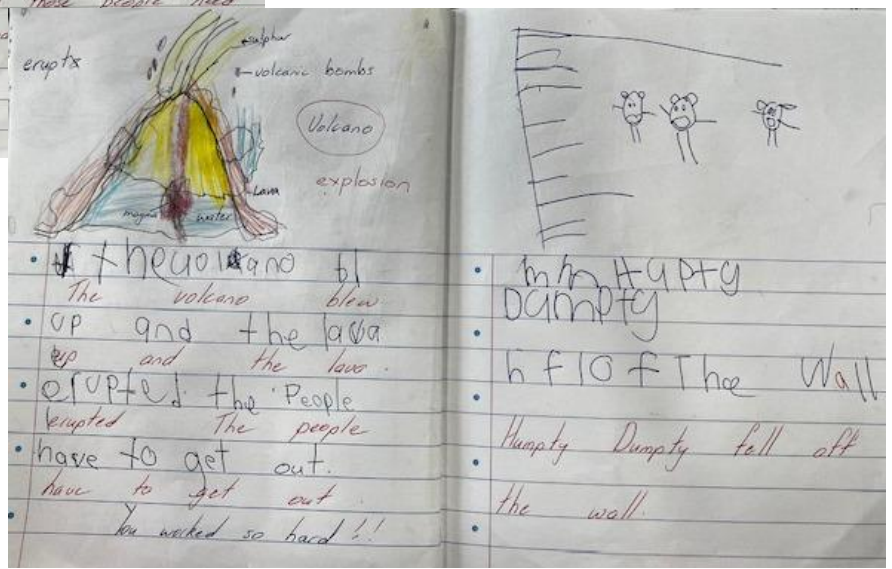
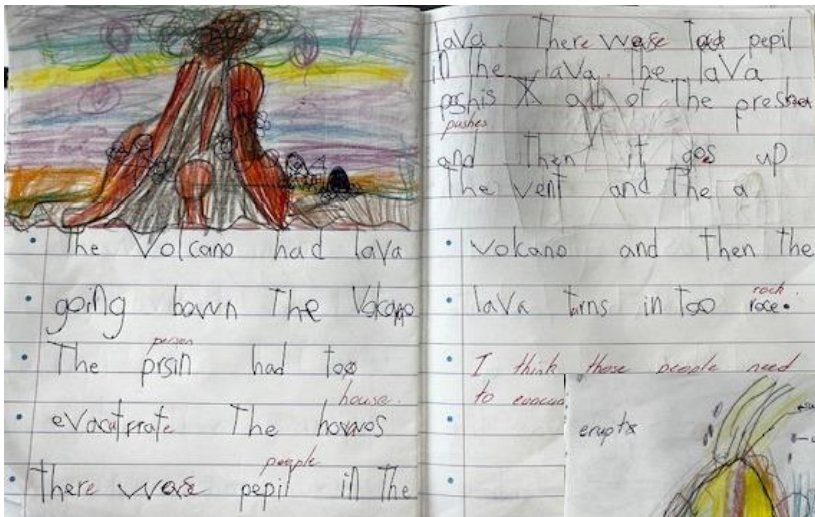
**PATH cards:** we had 4 more students to acknowledge who have earned 25+ PATH cards this year.

Congratulations and well done to: Rocco, Acacia-Rose, Devon and Zade.

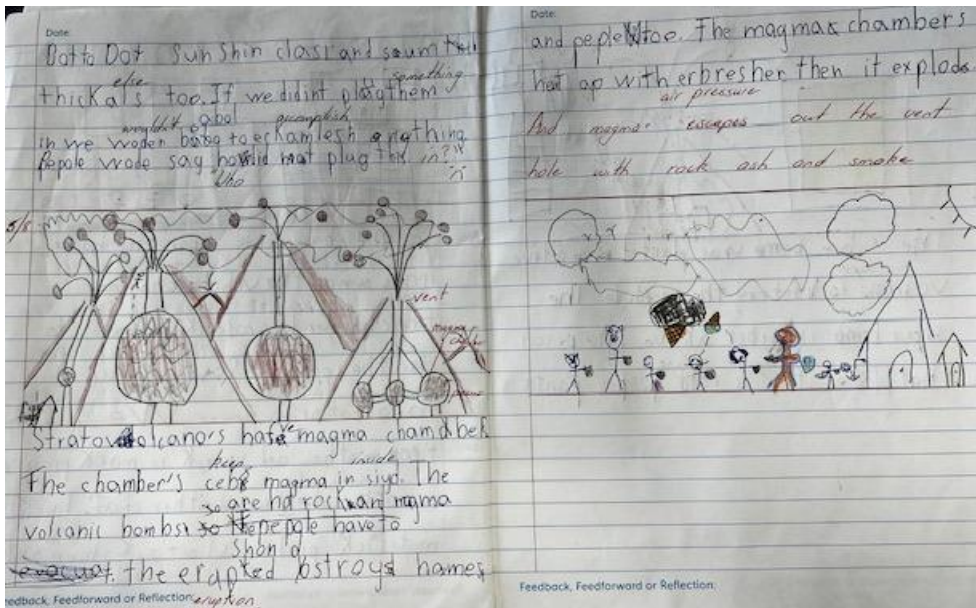
An extra mention to Noah who has earned 50 PATH cards this year – his parents might expect a wee surprise in the mail!

## NEWS FROM KĀKANO

Part of our awesome Aotearoa learning has involved volcanoes and how they form our mountains. Here are some examples of the children's work ...







## NEWS FROM MĀHURI

Kia ora from Māhuri, it's so nice to be back and busy. Term 3 has kicked off with lots of great learning experiences already. As many of you know we are learning about New Zealand authors and artists and are delighted to have such a high standard of authors and artists to choose from. Our main focus in exploring landscapes using a variety of different mediums.

From our selection of authors in class, the students have chosen an author to study and review. Following are a couple of their reviews.

### Eel Dreaming, written by Ben Brown

#### Review by Nelson Cleary

*Eel wanted to find a river to live in, he didn't like the swamp anymore, so he set off on an adventure with pukeko to find a river that fitted him.*

*I like the book because Eel set his goal to find a better home than a swamp and so he tried looking North, then looked South, then East and West, but he couldn't find the right river for him, so he was going back to the swamp, but ran into the most beautiful river that fitted him, and he liked it.*

*I would recommend this book because it shows people should never give up on their dreams.*

### The Penguin who wanted to Fly, written by Ben Brown.

#### Review by Heidi Hart

*The Penguin Who Wanted to Fly is very smartly written because of the way it started with a boy and a penguin, and the story was a story. It was also cool because of how when the penguin fell from a small height, it made me wonder what would happen when he jumped from the Blue Giant's Head.*

*I liked this book because of the interesting plot. My favourite part was when he found out he could fly in the ocean. I thought he might get hurt when he jumped from the Blue Giant's Head, but there was a slight possibility he might fly.*

*I would recommend this book to school children like me.*



## NEWS FROM RĀKAU

We had lots of fun working with Danya this week designing and making a start on the car track for Te Wā. There was so much learning involved as we had to plan the track, make the boxing and set it up, line with gravel and then get on to the serious business of concreting. We cant wait to finish it next week hopefully!



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## BOARD NEWS

**ACHIEVEMENT DATA:** At the end of last term the Board reviewed student achievement data. Goals were set at the start of the year around Maths, Reading and Writing and it is pleasing to see that we have made progress in each of these areas.

Reading has seen a 3% increase in students reading at or above expectation.

Writing has seen a 6% increase and Maths has seen a 23% increase. This is pleasing for us and staff have identified next steps to ensure this increase is even more notable by the end of the school year.

**KAHUI AKO:** We are also pleased to share news that Kylie has won the shared position of Lead Principal for the Northern Wairoa Kahui Ako. This group is made up of 10 schools and 8 early learning centres across the Kaipara and Kylie will be leading the group alongside Curtis Gaylor from Dargaville Primary. Business as usual will continue for Kylie here at Arapohue but we know she will also work towards better outcomes for schools and students in the Kaipara which we too will benefit from.

**ELECTIONS:** We are currently calling for nominations for Board Members, you would all have received papers from our Returning Officer. A reminder that official nominations must be received by midday Wednesday 17 August. If more than 3 nominations are received we will go to an election.

*Drew Gillespie*

*Presiding Member, Arapohue Board*



## 2022 Term 3: Some Dates to Remember

Monday	25 <sup>th</sup> July	Term 3 begins
Thursday	11 August	BoT meeting – staffroom
Friday	12 <sup>th</sup> Aug, 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sep	Newsletter comes out
Wednesday	17 August	Board Nominations Close
Friday	26 <sup>th</sup> August	Teacher Only Day
Friday	9 <sup>th</sup> September	NW Cross Country – Te Kopuru
Wednesday	21 September	NW Speech Competitions BoT Election Day
Friday	23 September	NW Ki o Rahi Tournament
Tuesday	27 September	Northland Aquabots Competition
Saturday	1 October	Ag Show Day / End of term