



# Argyll East School

Live, Learn, Grow

Kia Ora, Kia Ako, Kia Tupu



TERM 1  
WEEK 4



## Students of the week

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK FOR DISPLAYING OUR SCHOOL VISION AND VALUES:

### Jacob Dingle for Respect & Perseverance:

There is lots of change to manage as you come into the Senior Rooms- like different routines and expectations, and being independent for longer on tasks. Jacob, you are doing really well and always give your very best. We are so impressed with your writing, reading and maths and then you blow us away with your ideas, swimming and art. What a great start to the year!

**Sam Gregory for all the AES Values:** Sam, you have made such a great start in Rūma Whā. You follow routines well, you are settled and have the perseverance to get on with all tasks correctly. You ask questions when you need help and get on with all students in the class.

Sam I have also never seen determination like yours in a beep test, especially from a Year 6. You just keep on going. What a superstar!

Continue being you Sam, we really enjoy having you in Rūma Whā.

**Ned Butler for all the AES Values:** Ned, you have made a super start to 2025. You have settled well back into Rūma Tahi and remember our routines. You have come back to school eager to learn and are showing that if you try, you can do it. It has been wonderful to see you build new friendships with others in our class. I enjoy watching how well you get on with them, and the way you work together to create using construction equipment. Keep up the fantastic work, Ned!

**Brooke Kent for all the AES Values:** Brooke, you have had a great start in Rūma Rua. Everyone enjoys seeing your smile and your kindness when you are playing with your friends. Brooke, I appreciate your active listening when we are sitting on the mat and your eagerness to learn. You have settled into our routines and you know what comes next after you finish a task. You have been quick to understand the basic facts questions I set you this week and were super keen to be independent when working them out after you understood how to answer them.



# Message from the Principal

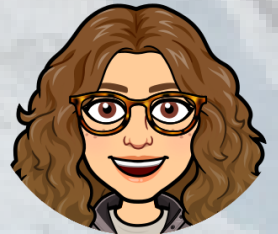
Kia ora e te whānau,

I'm delighted to say that our new sandpit is now open and being enjoyed by all our children! This has been a real labour of love that began back in Term 3, 2024. We surveyed the students and asked them what improvements they would like to see in their playground. The old sandpit was looking tired and needed a refresh. A committee of students met each week to plan their dream sandpit - ideas included adding a beach with waves and planting giant palm trees! Over the holidays Cam Ritchie made the structural upgrades and at the beginning of the term we were gifted some sand which Theo Twist generously transported to school for us. We soon realised that we needed a LOT more sand for our new pit. We sourced some more from Hastings which Jayme & Peter Hamelink generously delivered and used their digger to put directly into the sandpit. It has been a real community effort that began with the drawings and dreams of the children. A huge thank you to everyone who helped out!

Next week the whole school will be attending the annual swimming sports event at the AW Parsons indoor pool in Waipukurau. This event is run by Sherwood School. We aim to be at the pools by 9:40am if you want to meet us there.

We recently sent out a list of jobs in our Mangaotai area. It would be great to hear back from anyone who is interested in helping out with these. Please get in touch with Christina in the office and she can begin putting together a list of those interested.

Last week we began sharing our staff pepeha in response to the recent ERO report that highlighted the need to build teacher capability in te reo Māori. Pepeha is a part of Māori culture and a way of acknowledging and honoring a person's connection to the land and their ancestors. It tells others who you are by sharing the people and places that are important to you.



Have a great weekend everyone.

Ngā mihi,  
Lara



## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

**To Ava McMillan for demonstrating our vision and values.** You really stood out in the playground this week, Ava. I love stopping and having a chat with you and your friends as you share all your interesting stories. You are always giggling and having fun which is a delight to see. Your confidence and curiosity has grown and I love seeing you enjoy your time at school. Keep up the great attitude and keep asking lots of questions!

## Sport

### **Netball**

Registrations are due by Friday 14th March, at 3 pm. No late entries will be accepted. Please register on this link

<https://forms.gle/wnE5mRFbq3a7zvCr9>

### **SH 50 Swimming Sports**

Information about the day are on the flyer attached.

### **Junior Rugby**

Registrations are starting for Junior Rugby. More information can be found on CHB Junior Rugby facebook page and Waipawa Country United Junior Rugby Club facebook page.



Rūma Tahi with the new sports gear purchased from the Yummy Apple stickers collected last year. Please continue to send in your yummy apple stickers and labels again this year!

## **Staff Pepeha**



Miss Hall

Tēnā koutou katoa  
Ko Te Mata te maunga  
Ko Tukituki te awa  
Ko Te Matau-a-Māui ahau  
Ko Hall tōku whānau  
Ko Courtney tōku ingoa

Tēnā koutou, Tēnā koutou, Tēnā koutou katoa

## A message from Home & School

Thank you to everyone who has generously put their hands up for donations of food items for our BBQ we are catering on Friday 14th of March.

Remaining items needed are:

- Home baking (slices or cakes cut into ten pieces each)
- Fresh fruit for platters.

These will need to be delivered to school on Thursday 13th of March.

Please text Kate on 027 770 0003 with what you can donate and we will add you to the list.

We really appreciate your support!

## **Thumbs Up**

- Thank you to those parents who are keen to get in and tackle some of the jobs on the working bee @ the Mangaotai list. We would love your help but will leave it over to you to pick a day and time that suits you. Just let the office know.
- CHB District Libraries who have launched a new initiative to deliver book boxes from the library to rural schools, ensuring our tamariki have access to a wide variety of reading materials.
- Anja & Chris for your work in the gardens again this week.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**



### **February**

- **Friday 28th** Rūma Whā Sausage Sizzle Camp Fundraiser

### **March**

- **Tuesday 4th** BOT Meeting
- **Thursday 6th** SH50 Swimming Sports- AW Parsons indoor pool @ 9:40am
- **Friday 7th** Rūma Whā Sausage Sizzle Camp Fundraiser
- **Saturday 8th** Agrikids Competition
- **Monday 10th** Splash 'n' Dash- more info next week
- **Wednesday 26th** Home & School Meeting 6:30pm @ Skinny Mulligans
- **Friday 28th** Teacher Only Day- all teachers attending PLD Maths Workshop @ Waipukurau School

### **April**

- **Tuesday 8th-11th** Senior class camp to Waikanae
- **Friday 11th** Last day of Term 1

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