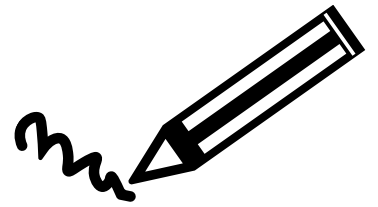




# Argyll East School

Live, Learn, Grow

Kia Ora, Kia Ako, Kia Tupu



TERM 1  
WEEK 6

THURSDAY  
13TH MARCH  
2025

## Students of the week

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

### **Chloe Campbell for Respect ,Creativity and**

**Perseverance:** You are an active learner in Rūma Toru. We love the way that you are ready for each lesson, listening carefully and actively thinking about what we are discussing. By asking questions and contributing your valuable ideas you are not only growing in your understanding and knowledge but also helping others to do so. Chloe we also appreciate your bubbly friendly personality which helps to make our room a happy place to be. Keep up the great work and attitude!

### **Piper McCormick for Integrity &**

**Perseverance:** Piper you have had such a great week this week. You have worked super hard in your maths to try and achieve all tasks set and when you have had trouble you have asked for help. You are persevering well and it's great to see you working so hard not only in Maths but in Literacy too. You are a honest and reliable leader who we can rely on to be a role model for other students in the school. You are determined to achieve in all areas. We are super proud of your achievements outside of the classroom too. Keep up the great work Piper.

**Chloe Howard- Welcome:** Welcome to Rūma Tahi and Argyll East School. You have had a busy first week of school and have settled in well. You have been making new friends in our class. You have been so brave coming on the bus to school and participating in Swimming Sports on Thursday. Chloe, I cannot wait to see what you achieve. Be proud!

### **Tommy Mackenzie for Creativity & Perseverance :**

Tommy, you have started this year with a great attitude towards school and learning. It's been so good seeing you working hard during maths to achieve your basic facts steps and you are so focused during our Structured Literacy lessons. I have really enjoyed seeing you play with your classmates and create some amazing creations out of the connector blocks. At swimming sports yesterday, you gave it your all and your infectious smile was showing the whole time. Keep up the good attitude and I can't wait to see what you achieve this year!



# Message from the Principal

Kia ora e te whānau,

It was great to see the sun come out for our annual Splash 'n' Dash event on Monday. The children all had lots of fun competing in the duathlon - most of them were smiling as they crossed the finish line! It was lovely having our parents cheering and even running alongside the children.

Most classes are busy testing at this time of the year. We test in reading, writing and maths which gives us valuable data to inform our teaching. Standardised testing allows us to see how our students are tracking in relation to their peers throughout New Zealand. When you are in a small rural school it is rewarding to see how well our students are doing compared to others. Of course, testing is only one aspect of our assessments.

Congratulations to all our swimmers who participated in the swimming sports on Thursday. It was great to see you all give it your best, whilst encouraging and supporting others. This year we have our biggest team entering the Interschool swimming competition - well done to you all! The criteria for who can go is very strict and we spent a long time analysing times to ensure the right people were selected. Interestingly, the medley relay had to be made up of 2 boys and 2 girls and students from year 4, 5/6 and 7/8 all had to be represented in the team. Well done Miss Allen for doing such a great job organising it.



In response to feedback from our community we have decided to set a date for the Mangaotai working bee. It was suggested that a Friday afternoon would work best for everyone so we invite everyone to join us on **Friday 21 March**, any time after 3pm, to help out. Miss Hay has already organised a list of jobs for us to get working on. Bring your gloves, secateurs, loppers, chainsaws and anything else you might need. Many hands will make for light work - thank you.

Conference forms are being sent home with the newsletter today for students in Rūma Toru and Whā. Please select the time band that suits you best. This year you will also need to select the teacher you wish to see. These are 15 minute conversations that are led by the students. If you would prefer a different day/time/teacher then please get in touch and we will make arrangements.

Ngā mihi,  
Lara



## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

**To Archie Mackenzie for demonstrating our vision and values.** I had such a lovely day sitting with you at the swimming sports on Thursday, Archie. I loved hearing the way you cheered for every Argyll person as they walked to their event and called out encouraging words to them. You are always a good friend to everyone and this is evident in the kind ways you play with your friends and how you always look for ways to support others. You are someone who others admire, trust and enjoy being with. Thanks for being such a great kid Archie!

## Sport

### Winter Hockey

Registrations are due by Friday 21st March at 3pm. No late entries will be accepted. Please register on this link <https://forms.gle/V3xouMJ7DdaCv8qbA>

### 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>

### CHB Junior Football

Registrations are open. Please go on CHB Junior Football Club Inc facebook page for more information. Registration link - <https://www.chbjuniorfootball.co.nz>



2025 Agrikids Team- Jock Calder, Ruby Butler, Hattie Butler, Chloe Campbell, Isla Campbell & William Greer.

### FIREWOOD FUNDRAISER – We Need Your Help!

The Home and School Committee is planning a firewood fundraiser for the end of this year or the beginning of next. To make this happen, we're looking for logs or trees that we can split and sell. If you have any suitable wood available, we'd love to hear from you!

Please contact Emma Foley at 027 673 0692 or email [emma@argylleast.school.nz](mailto:emma@argylleast.school.nz) if you can help.

## Staff Pepeha



Miss Allen

Tēnā koutou katoa  
Ko Ruahine te maunga  
Ko Manawatu te awa  
No Tamaki nui-a-rua ahau  
Ko Allen tōku whānau  
Ko Samantha tōku ingoa

Tēnā koutou, Tēnā koutou, Tēnā koutou katoa

## Board of Trustees Report

Our first BOT meeting of the year was held last week. We did a walk around of the school grounds and have noted that the buildings and surrounding area are in good shape. This has been validated by a recent inspection from a Property Advisor from the MOE and our latest ERO report. One of the highlights has been the new sandpit area which has been a hit with the kids.

Our current school role is 74 pupils with a number of children expected to enrol before the end of the year.

Teachers will continue to do Professional Learning Development around structured literacy. Te Reo Maori will be a stronger focus for our teachers this year with the Professional Growth Cycle focusing on building capacity for this with our teachers. All classes will be using the Prime Maths programme this year and there will be a Teacher Only day later this term which will focus on the new maths curriculum.

The Board has approved the Senior Camp, which will be held at El Rancho in Waikanae in week ten of this term.

The seniors are looking forward to Technology hopefully commencing next week. While the CHB Technology Centre is being relocated to CHB College, Rachel Smith and Ben Phillipotts will be visiting schools to deliver one-to-one lessons.

The Home and School Committee has some great fundraising ideas planned for the year ahead. They work hard to help fund the bus, sports uniforms, school camp and much more so please support their tremendous efforts.

### Thumbs Up

- Tori Butler & Malcolm Campbell for all their hard work organising the 2 Agrikids teams that competed last weekend in Masterton. Thanks also to everyone who offered their time and resources to make sure our teams were well prepared.
- Alena & Jason Ramsey who spent time in the Mangaotai over the weekend, clearing paths for our students. We really appreciate the help!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### March

- **Friday 14th** Rūma Whā Sausage Sizzle Camp Fundraiser
- **Friday 21st** Rūma Whā Sausage Sizzle Camp Fundraiser- **Final One**
- **Wednesday 26th** Home & School Meeting 6:30pm @ Skinny Mulligans
- **Friday 28th** Teacher Only Day- PLD Maths Workshop

### April

- **Tuesday 1st** Rūma Toru & Whā Conferences
- **Wednesday 2nd** Rūma Toru & Whā Conferences
- **Tuesday 8th** Rob Cope Evening- 6:30pm
- **Tuesday 8th-11th** Senior class camp to Waikanae
- **Friday 11th** Last day of Term 1

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