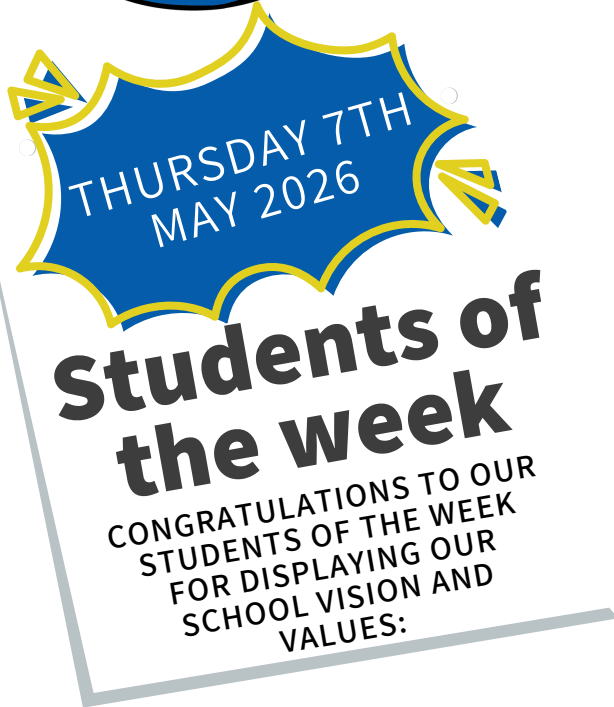
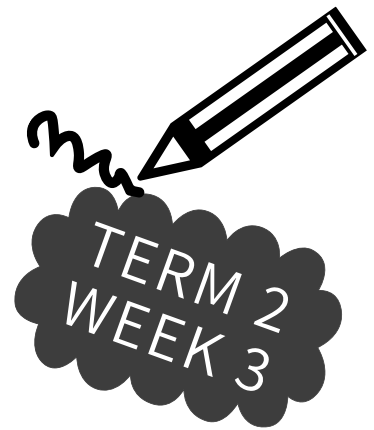




# Argyll East School

Live, Learn, Grow

Kia Ora, Kia Ako, Kia Tupu



Faeryn Burgin for perseverance, integrity, creativity & respect: You have taken up the challenge of leading our class assembly, Faeryn. You have shown initiative by planning the agenda yourself and sharing it with your co-presenter. You have also taken on a lead role in our drama, retelling the pūrākau of Ranginui and Papatūānuku. Thank you for your kindness in our class as you train two new class librarians. We can always rely on you.  
Ngā mihi ki a koe mō tō āwhina.

Tegan Wright for perseverance, integrity, respect & creativity: You can be so proud of all that you achieve, Tegan. You work diligently in class, thinking hard about what you are doing, contributing thoughtful answers to group discussions and considering the ideas of others. You also complete your homework each week - which reinforces all that you are learning in structured literacy and maths. You are always well organised for learning and take great pride in the presentation on your work. Thank you for always having a great attitude to your learning, Tegan, and being someone who speaks with kindness and respect to others.

Tilda MacKenzie for perseverance, integrity, respect & creativity: Tilda has made a wonderful start to her time at school and has settled into class routines so confidently in just her second week. She comes into the classroom ready to learn and shows great focus and engagement during learning time. It is clear she is really enjoying her mahi, and that enthusiasm shines through in everything she does. Tilda is a respectful and responsible member of our class. She understands our routines well and does what is expected of her at the right times, showing growing independence and self-management. She listens carefully, follows instructions, and applies her new learning with determination. It is lovely to see how hard she is trying and the pride she takes in her work. Tilda is already showing strengths in Mana Atua (Wellbeing) through her confidence and positive attitude, Mana Tangata (Contribution) through her respectful interactions, and Mana Reo (Communication) as she engages thoughtfully in learning conversations. We are so proud of the fantastic start she has made to her school journey – ka pai to mahi Tilda!

Ava McMillan for integrity, perseverance & respect: Ava, you are an absolute pleasure to teach. You start each day with a bright smile and a cheerful hello, setting a positive tone for those around you. You consistently show kindness by looking out for others and offering help whenever it's needed. Your quiet determination, willingness to take on feedback, and commitment to doing your very best is truly admirable. Thank you for being such a wonderful Argyll East student Ava, you should be incredibly proud of yourself.



# Message from the Principal

Kia ora families and friends,

We have lots happening at school, academically, sportwise and in the environment.

This week we have begun assessments using the new SMART online assessment tool in writing, reading and maths. The information we receive from the assessments will initially be in the form of a raw score which will tell us how many questions our students answered correctly, which questions were easy or difficult and subsequently, student strengths and gaps. Towards the end of the term we will receive more information based on moderation across all primary schools using the tool, which will ensure that questions are set at the right level of difficulty for each year level. We will keep you up to date with the changes as the year progresses.

Sportwise - Special thanks to Siu Swinburne for coming along and giving us some gymnastic tips in preparation for our upcoming gymnastic events. We really appreciate your time and knowledge Siu.

Elsthorpe 5's - Thanks for returning slips to school indicating whether you are able to help with transport or team supervision on the day. We have included the slip again in case you still wish to respond. We will update you with information as we receive it from Elsthorpe School.

Last Friday we had a great session in the garden. We had a number of jobs to complete including harvesting the popping corn cobs, hanging the sunflowers to dry, digging the bokashi into the vegetable gardens, returning plants to the new shade house and sorting cabbage tree seeds, ready for planting. Thanks to all of our students, staff and to Anja for helping to get the jobs done. Great team work.

Next Wednesday, Lara and I begin some specialised online Maths PLD for year 7 & 8 students. Our first session looks at rational numbers. We have six sessions to complete before the end of term.

Storylines, in partnership with CHB district libraries, are heading to our district for the 2026 Storylines National Story Tour and they are coming to Argyll East School on Thursday 21st May. We are very excited to welcome Kate De Goldi and Story Hemi-Morehouse to our school as part of the tour.

Winter Warmers - Once again we are involved in this CHB local library reading programme. It is a great motivation to instill the joy of reading in our students with special incentives and celebrations to encourage reading for pleasure.

Next Monday 11th May, students from Rūma Toru and Whā will be attending the CHB College production "Alice in Wonderland". Students will be travelling by school bus, to and from the production.

Attendance - In term one we had 78% of students attending school regularly (over 90% of the time). Medical reasons accounted for 43% of absences and holidays accounted for 16%. To achieve 90% attendance during a term, students must miss **less than 5 days** of school in a standard 10 week term. Regular attendance = high achievement.

I have enjoyed two great days of learning, specifically around Structured Literacy, but also the Science of Learning. The learning continues over the next term and covers a range of topics pertaining to structured literacy. I appreciate the opportunity to upskill in this area and look forward to taking my new knowledge into the classroom.

Have a great week everyone, Julie



## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

To Charlie McCormick for demonstrating our vision and values. Charlie, this award is for your commitment to your learning, your focus and your self management, demonstrating maturity and responsibility. You use your time wisely, make positive behaviour choices, and set an excellent example for both younger students and your peers—whether in the classroom, on the bus, or during play. You always play fairly and with skill, you show a positive attitude toward school and live out our core values of respect, integrity, perseverance, and creativity. Charlie you are a kind and supportive friend, contributing to a welcoming and inclusive environment for everyone. Ka pai to mahi Charlie.

## Sport

### **Argyll School Netball Draw- Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

Otane/Argyll Magic vs Waipawa Mystics- CHB Court 5 @ 11am

Argyll East vs Ferns/Flemington School- CHB Court 3 @ 10am

Argyll East vs Terrace Titans- CHB Court 3 @ 10:30am

### **Hockey Draw**

**Fun Sticks:** Year 0-2, Thursdays 3:45pm-4:20pm

**Argyll Mini Sticks** vs Elsthorpe Comets: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May @ 3:45pm

**Argyll Mini Sticks** vs Takapau Minis: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May @ 4:25pm

**Argyll & Omake Kiwi Sticks** vs Elsthorpe: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May @ 3:45pm

**Argyll & Omake Kiwi Sticks BYE** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May @4:25pm

**Kwik Sticks** vs Omake Kwik Sticks: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May @ 3:45pm

### **CHB Gifford Devine Future Ferns, start dates:**

Years 1-4: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May

Years 5-8: Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

**Local Football** season begins Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup>

**Elsthorpe 5's** - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May

**Gymnastics Coaching** - Siu Swinburne Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May

**CHB Gymnastics Festival** - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May

**Highway 50 Year 1-3 Gymnastics** - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

**CHB Cross country** - Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August

**Athletics** - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October

**Hawkes Bay Athletics Championships** - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November

Please keep an eye out on Seesaw for any updates.

**Any Queries please contact - Kim Mullany**

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On Wednesday we had Georgia from Hawkes Bay Netball come and run some Netball foundation skills for our year 1 & 2's.

### **Thumbs Up**

- To Anja for helping out on our gardening day last Friday.
- Annabelle Campbell for the hockey gear donation.



**Whole School Gardening**



## Upcoming Events



### May

#### **Monday 11th**

Toru & Whā to "Alice in Wonderland" performance @ CHB College

#### **Friday 15th**

Elsthorpe 5's

#### **Thursday 21st**

Careers Expo

#### **Thursday 21st**

2026 Storylines National Story Tour

#### **Thursday 28th**

CHB Gymnastics Festival- Seniors

#### **Friday 29th**

Tikokino Junior Gym Festival

### June

#### **Monday 1st**

King's Birthday- SCHOOL CLOSED

### July

#### **Thursday 2nd**

Ngati Whai

#### **Friday 3rd**

Last day of Term 2

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