



# Argyll East School

Live, Learn, Grow

Kia Ora, Kia Ako, Kia Tupu



TERM 2  
WEEK 5

THURSDAY  
29TH MAY  
2025

## Students of the week

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

### Addison Cameron for all of the Argyll East

**Values:** Wow! What a long way you have come this year, Addison. Your confidence has grown hugely, you manage yourself well and you can do anything. Your stories are full of wonderful words and creative imaginings. You are practicing hard every playtime to learn all your gym routines. You are such a kind friend and sister- and teacher helper! We really appreciate you. In our classroom, Addi.

### Indie Godinet for all of the Argyll East

**Values:** Indie you are an absolute pleasure to teach. You have the best positive attitude towards learning and school in general. Nothing ever seems a problem. You have a great understanding of your maths you are learning at the moment and are willing to help others when needed. You work hard in a group situation and independently.

You are a super friend to everyone in the class and we all think you are a great person. Ka Pai Indie.

**Ned Butler for Perseverance and Respect:** Ned for being an absolutely fantastic student! Ned, you are like a sponge, always eager to learn and full of great questions. Your kindness, helpfulness, and respectful attitude make our classroom a wonderful place to be. We especially admire your positive attitude and incredible perseverance – you never give up! It's truly a joy to teach you. Keep up the amazing work, Ned!

**Jack Shorten for all of the Argyll East Values:** Jack, you have come into Rūma Rua this year ready to work hard and persevere with all of our learning. It's been so great to see your enjoyment of writing and I've had the delight of reading all of your lovely stories that include detail and a great storyline. Jack, you have been persevering with your maths and have been listening carefully to the teacher during the lessons so that you can go and work independently. You are always kind to your friends, patient and you listen to others. Keep up the fantastic work Jack!



# Message from the Principal

Kia ora e te whānau,

We have had another really busy week full of learning and fun. Due to the improved playground behaviour where we see children including others, sharing, taking turns and being kind we have decided to revert back to our old bell times which means a little bit more time for everyone to play!

Morning tea will now be from 11am-11:25am and lunch will be from 1pm-1:50pm.

We know the students will all be thrilled to have more time to be with their friends.

If the great playground behavior continues this will be a permanent change.

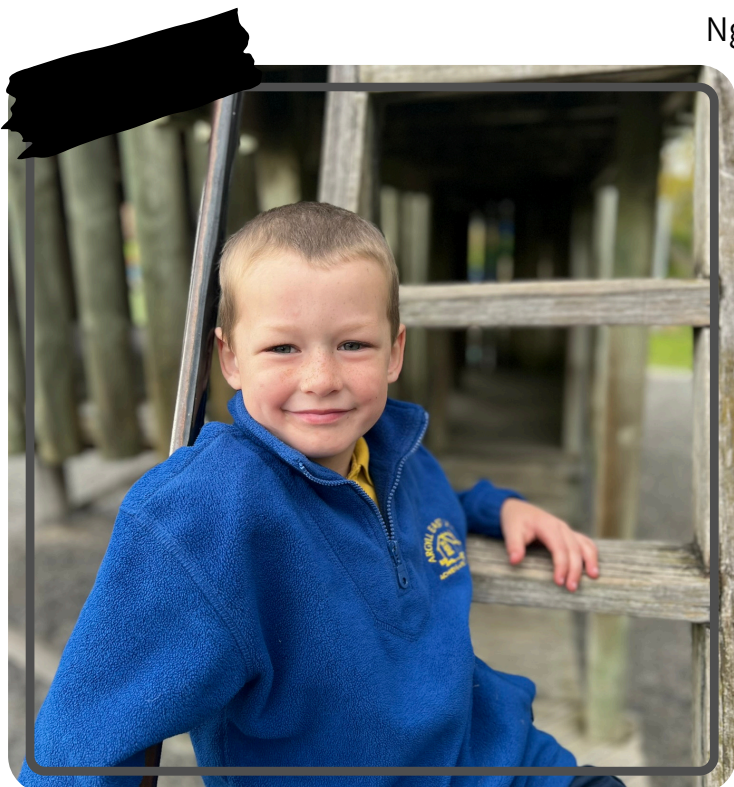


On Tuesday, at the Board of Trustees meeting, we made a necessary adjustment to our school account system. Going forward, we will be introducing a capped limit of \$500 on family school accounts. Once an account reaches this limit, any further costs for bus fees, activities, trips, or other school-related expenses will require upfront payment. In our small school, every cent plays a vital role in ensuring we can continue to offer enriching opportunities, and unfortunately, carrying significant debt is not sustainable for us. We understand this change may present challenges for some families, and it was certainly a difficult decision to make, but it is a crucial step to ensure the financial stability of our school for all our students. We will also be sending out accounts on a monthly basis, rather than termly, making it easier for families to keep track of their account balances.

Next week we have our Senior then Junior Gymnastics Festivals. On Thursday we have 22 students competing in the Elementary B (Boys and Girls), Elementary A and Advanced competitions. On Friday the students in Rūma Tahi and Rua will be heading to Tikokino to all participate in the junior competition. Thank you very much to all our parents who have offered to transport students to these events.

This weekend is a long weekend with King's Birthday on Monday. I hope you have a lovely break with your families. I have 3 out of 4 of my children celebrating their birthdays over the weekend so there won't be a lot of rest happening in our house! See you all back next Tuesday.

Ngā mihi,  
Lara



## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

**To Billy Hamelink for demonstrating our vision and values.** Billy you are such a great kid! I love the way you always have a cheeky grin on your face and are always surrounded by your friends having fun. You take every opportunity and enjoy all aspects of school life. You have grown so much since you started school - you are reliable and responsible and always striving to do your best. Keep up the fantastic positive attitude, Billy. It makes everyone love being around you.



## BOT Report

The Board of Trustees met this week for our Term 2 meeting.

Our current role is 73 students with a few more students expected to start before the end of the year. Our teachers have been busy with professional development days in structured literacy and refreshers for the new maths curriculum and english curriculum.

Christina Hamelink is now employed twice a week as a teacher aide in Rūma Toru and Whā.

We received some lovely cards from the students of Rūma Whā, thanking the board for the approval of their senior camp. It looked like a really fantastic experience. Thanks to the effort of Mrs Butler and the parents who attended to support.

Home and School Committee continues to work hard with fundraising efforts. They have added lots of visible assets to our school including the Gaga Pit, junior school picnic tables, toys for the sandpit and outdoor play kitchen toys for the new hut. They also helped fund the senior camp and every year provide a significant amount to our school bus fund which ensures we can keep the bus affordable for families.

### Sport

**Winter Hockey** - Draw was sent home for the season- **No Games- King's Birthday- for Years 1 & 2**

**Netball - 31st May**  
**No Games King's Birthday**

**Please note there are no netball games being played over Matariki weekend.**



Rūma Whā on their Hakari rotation with Miss Hay last Friday.

Rūma Rua did descriptive writing about kites this week and then drew a plan to design their own kite and then they brought it to life.



#### June

- **Monday 2nd** Kings Birthday  
*School Closed*
- **Thursday 5th** CHB Gymnastics Festival
- **Friday 6th** Junior Gymnastics Festival
- **Thursday 19th** School Hakari
- **Friday 20th** Matariki- *School Closed*
- **Saturday 21st** Winter Warmers Finale  
Party: 1pm-3pm
- **Monday 23rd** Reports come home
- **Friday 27th** Last day of Term 2

### Thumbs Up

- Bevan- for looking after the school cattle over the last 2 years and getting them ready for the sale.
- Colin Schaw- stock agent, for selling our cattle.
- Stephenson Transport- for transporting the cattle to the saleyards.
- Beth Twist for donating the lemons for our Hakari preparations.

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