



Argyll East School

Live, Learn, Grow

Kia Ora, Kia Ako, Kia Tupu



TERM 4
WEEK 5

THURSDAY
14TH OF
NOVEMBER
2024

Students of the week

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

Gus How for All the Argyll East Values- Gus, you have had a fantastic year in Rūma Tahi. You come to school each day with a positive attitude and this can be shown in the progress you have made in all your learning. Be proud of yourself. You have an amazing imagination and this is shown through the many creations you make during 'Explore time' with your friends. We have enjoyed having your great sense of humour and smile in our class this year.

Gus, keep being you!

Etta Ritchie for Respect & Perseverance- Etta, you have been persevering with your basic facts all year and trying so hard to jump up all the steps you possibly can. You have really loved working out how many 10's in 2 and 3 digit numbers this week and have been proudly flying through your maths. Everyone loves being around you because you are always so full of life, you are so kind and you always make sure everyone feels welcome. I wish you all the best at the interschool athletics! Be proud of that achievement Etta, you are amazing!

Madi Thompson for All the Argyll East Values- Madi, you absolutely stepped up to leadership roles when the seniors were away at camp. You ensured the office recycling was done daily without needing to be reminded. In the bus, you were an exemplary role model as a bus monitor. You also used initiative and chose to sit with one of our youngest students. During playtimes and in class, you carried on as usual always being the best you could be. Without our senior room around, things were different but it didn't faze you. We admire your resilience and really appreciate YOU! Thanks so much, Madi.

Rūma Whā for All the AES Habits & Values - What an absolute privilege it was to take you all on camp. We were so proud of you all as you explored Rotorua and took part in educational and fun activities that challenged you. Around camp you were all helpful - offering to do dishes, vacuum, help out in the kitchen, and just being all round awesome kids! We loved the way you appreciated everything you did and used your manners to thank everyone we met. You really make school camps enjoyable with your fantastic positive attitudes! Thank you all.



Message from the Principal

Kia ora families and friends,

It was great to have our senior students, parents and teachers arrive back safely from their Rotorua trip. We are glad that they had such a good time.

This week we are enjoying Book Week with lots of story sharing and a fun dress-up day today. Our Scholastic Book Fair is happening in the Old School Building and there are some great books on offer as well as other little trinkets and treats. You are welcome to come along and have a look at the wide range available.

Tomorrow we have Sherwood School joining us for our Teacher Only Day. We are looking at the implementation of the Refreshed English and Maths curriculum. Next year we will begin using the new curriculum documents in all classes with both areas needing to be fully implemented in 2026.

There is no school for students tomorrow.

The CHB District Athletics is being held next Tuesday at the CHB College grounds. The events will run from 9.30am - 2.00pm. Those students who are eligible to participate have received information about the day. We wish you all the very best as you compete against other CHB athletes.

Our Swim4Life programme begins at the A W Parsons Pools next Friday 22nd November. Students will travel to and from the centre by school bus. We are very appreciative of the opportunity to participate in the programme once again. Students will need to bring togs and towels in a bag. Goggles are optional.

We are really happy that the exterior of our Old School Building has been revitalised with some well needed maintenance work and a fresh coat of paint. It looks fantastic and we are so pleased that we have been able to accomplish this thanks to Eastern Central Community Trust and our Board of Trustees. The next step is to acquire some funding for an upgrade of the interior of the building which we will look at next year.

Congratulations to Jett Hapuku, an ex Argyll East School student, who has been named Deputy Head Boy at St John's College for 2025. Well done Jett!

Thanks to everyone for returning our school trophies.

Have a great week,
Julie

BOT Report

Our roll continues to remain strong with 82 pupils and a good amount of enrollments for the coming year.

We received a number of lovely thank you cards from Ruma Wha in regards to their school camp. It looks like they had a fabulous time in Rotorua. Many thanks also to the Home and School Committee who donated funds towards the camp.

The board congratulates Julie on her successful sabbatical application. Lara Smith will step into a three day principal role for terms one and two next year. Tori Butler will share the teaching position with Lara in Ruma Wha.

Julie has successfully applied for funding from MOE to be put towards outdoor projects at school. Along with Home and School's ideas and fundings, we hope to see some exciting changes at school next year.

Our ERO report last week is yet to be presented to us but initial feedback is glowing. Once this report is written, we will share this with the school community.

Our old school building repairs and exterior are now completed, thanks to Cam Ritchie & Drew Adamson. It looks lovely and fresh and will continue to be an asset to the school and community.

Our end of year prizegiving will be held on Monday 16th December. The board will be putting on a BBQ afterwards. We hope to see many of you there.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

To Hattie Butler for demonstrating our vision and values. Hattie, you stand out as a leader in your class. We know we can always rely on you to show our school values, especially integrity. You were a great leader when we had our visitors from Omakere School. You spoke with confidence and knowledge showing the positive attributes of our school. I know you will be a wonderful asset to the senior class next year, continuing as the great role model that you are. Thanks Hattie - we appreciate you!



Sport

Touch Draw

Monday 18th November 2024

- Year 1 and 2 Grade

Argyll East vs Tikokino Blue @3.40pm, Hockey Turf: Field 4b

- Year 3 and 4 Grade

Argyll East vs Waipawa Titans @4.50pm, Hockey Turf: Field 4

- Year 5 and 6 Grade

Argyll East/Elsthorpe vs St Joseph's Stormers @4.15pm, Russell Park, Field 2

- Year 7 and 8 Grade

St Jo's & Argyll Seniors vs Terrace Rima @3.40pm, Russell Park, Field 3

Weetbix Tryathlon

Wednesday 12th February 2025 at Mitre 10 Sports Park.

The cost to enter can be between \$50 - \$70 per person depending on when you register. This year as a school we have been given 30 discounted entries of \$5 per person. We have also been given two free entries. If you would like your child to be given a chance for a free entry or discounted entry at \$5, please email me - sam@argylleastschool.nz before Friday 29th November so your child can be put in the draw.

This event is for 6 year olds and above. Parents will need to transport their own child/children to the event, provide gear and supervise them on the day.

If you would like to use the discount code, please register after the 29th November.

More information can be found here:

<https://tryathlon.co.nz/locations/hastings/>

Thumbs Up

- A huge thank you to our fantastic parents, Kate How, Briar Hickson, Louise Shorten and Robbie McCormick, who came to Rotorua for the senior camp last week. You were all wonderful, and made our camp so much fun! We really appreciated everything you did.
- To McCains Foods who generously donated a selection of pizza and chips for our camp. This is the second time they have donated to our camp and we LOVE our pizza night!
- A massive thanks to our local supermarket New World, Waipukurau. They are always so generous and supportive of our school. Last year they donated sausages for our camp fundraising and this year they sponsored our burger night at camp, supplying us with all the ingredients. They make it so easy! We really appreciate their continued support.

Rūma Tahi participated in World Nursery Rhyme Week 2024



Student Gardeners

Well done to everyone who put their name forward and are busy growing a garden. Keep it watered as the days are getting warmer.

Look out for weeds!

Mel, the judge is looking forward to your creations. Thanks whanau for your support. If anyone else wants to begin a garden, let Miss Hay know by the end of next week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

- **Friday 15th** Teacher Only Day
- Tuesday 19th CHB Athletics
- Wednesday 20th Scholastic Book Fair forms to be back
- Thursday 21st Year 5 Camp
- Friday 22nd Swim 4 Life

December

- Tuesday 10th Transition Day- details to follow
- Thursday 12th Home & School Special Fun Day
- Monday 16th Prizegiving 6pm
- Tuesday 17th School Finishes 12pm

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