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Term 4, Week 6
Thursday 25th November 2021

Achieve and Succeed Me whai, kia angitū

Congratulations to our Students of the Week for displaying the school habits and values as follows:



To Indie Godinet for All the Argyll East Habits and Values – You have had another amazing week in Rua. You come to school ready to learn, share your ideas and always try your best no matter what challenge you are faced with. Indie, you are respectful and kind to others around you and make our class a great place to be in. You participate in everything we do, and are really enjoying spending time in the wetland - listening, observing, and drawing. You are a star, Indie.

To Ruby Drepaul for All the Argyll East Values – You really shone in Ruma Wha this week, Ruby. It was lovely to spend time in your class, you were kind and helpful and participated fully in all activities. You worked well with your friends developing your newspaper article, jumped in the pool and swam your heart out and then finished the day getting fully involved in a fun game of soccer. Thank you for making me feel so welcome in your class.

To Will Greer for All the Argyll East Habits and Values – I have been told by Moe that you have had a great few days while I was away. You stepped up to be a leader in your group and you were very helpful. When I came back, you have been just as awesome. You have been listening, doing your homework and making the right choices. Keep up the great work because this is the Will we all like to see!

Kia ora everyone,

We are busy with report writing and look forward to sending reports home with the week 8 newsletter. We love our latest format as it gives our students an opportunity to reflect on their passions and think about all the areas of life that they are successful in. We hope you find the reports informative and interesting this year.

With continuing changes on the Covid scene, we are yet to decide on how we will organise our Prize Giving ceremony this year. The Ministry of Education strongly advises that end of year events do not take place. However, with the upcoming introduction of the traffic light system I think it is too early to make a call. I will keep you updated in the coming weeks. On another note, we do require you to keep your children home if they are unwell. This includes runny noses, coughs and tummy aches. We also appreciate you collecting your children if we feel they are not well enough to be at school. It is our responsibility to keep everyone in our school safe from illness and we need you to support the decisions that we make in the interests of our school community. We continue to promote handwashing, hygiene and the regular use of hand sanitiser. Our classrooms are well ventilated. Thanks for following our guidelines around mask wearing and waiting outside when collecting students. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

On Thursday 9th December we are booked into the AW Parsons Pool for a Deep Water Safety Programme. We are fortunate to be booked in on the day when the Napier Harbour Master is visiting which will add another dimension to our programme. Afterwards we will spend some time playing games at Russell Park and enjoying the outdoor water facilities. I will send home more details next week.

Yesterday I presented our school strategy to the Springboard Trust who I have been working with over the year to revise our vision and build our 3-year strategy. I'm very excited about this work as I feel it really represents our school,

community and environment. I will send home our "Plan on a Page" with next week's newsletter.

I have been busy with my Kāhui Ako work appointing (or reappointing) Across School and Within School teachers. Mrs Smith remains a Within School teacher. I am now working with Bex Skerman (Waipukurau School principal) who is the lead principal for the Ruahine Kāhui Ako. Our next meeting is with principals and leaders to look at their school's strategic goals for 2022 and to align them with the work of the Kāhui Ako.

Have a fantastic week everyone!

Julie Thelwall, Principal

SCHOOL POOL KEYS

The pool is open again this year and pool keys are available from the school office. The fee is \$40 for the season and a contract must be signed and school pool rules complied with at all times.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

To Lily Kent for All the School Values and Habits



I love the way you have stepped up to support students on the bus who need a little extra help to manage their behaviour. You are a diligent student Lily and continue to excel in

everything you do. You also show a caring attitude to others and maintain good friendships with your peers. You are successful in all aspects of your schooling Lily and should be very proud of yourself. We think you are a great Argyll East student and look forward to your blossoming leadership in 2022.

PIANO LESSONS

These will be starting at school from next term. If you are interested in this option for your child, please contact the office.

ATHLETICS

Results from our school athletics are attached. Congratulations to everyone who participated.

ACCOUNTS

Hard copies of overdue accounts are attached for some families. If you are unable to make payments please contact the school. All accounts need to be fully paid before the end of the school year. Final accounts will be sent out next week. Thank you for your prompt payment.

RŪMA TORU CAMP

We had a wonderful time on camp! Thank you so much to Amy, Hamish, Tracy and Maryanne for being great camp parents. Thanks to Rūma Toru for being great campers



STUDENT GARDENING COMPETITION

A message from Miss

Hay:

I am meeting with Kaela, our judge, on Friday to organise times that she will come and visit your garden on Friday 3 December. I'll let you know on Monday. Keep on weeding and watering so your garden is in tiptop condition. Then tell Kaela all about what you have chosen to plant and how you look after your garden.



HOME AND SCHOOL

Home and School AGM change of date and venue

This will now take place on **Wednesday 1st December, 7pm at Skinny Mulligans. Everyone welcome**

Home and School Christmas Raffle

There are raffle sheets at school if you would like more tickets. Please send all raffle sheets and money back to school by Monday 13th



December. There will be 2 prizes, packed full of delicious goodies, so good luck!

WAIPUKURAU JUNIOR TENNIS GRADED TOURNAMENT

Saturday 11th December, from 8.30am

Entries to:

<https://clubspark.kiwi/TennisEastern/JuniorPage/> or email jennparry@xtra.co.nz

Entries and payment to be received no later than Thursday 9th December 2021

CHB COLLEGE YEAR 8 EXAMS

For Year 8 Parents, a message from CHB College: The **EXAM on 29th November** is now NOT a full day and will end at 12.15pm approx.

We have decided, in light of the Covid restrictions, this is best. I am sorry if this will cause any issues. However, if students stay at school with us after 12.15pm we will look after them if required.

For any queries please contact CHB College on 858 9203

UPCOMING EVENTS

December

Wednesday 1st Home and School AGM, 7pm at Skinny Mulligans

Thursday 16th 2022 Last day Term 4, 12pm

February

Wednesday 2nd First day Term 1
Thursday 17th Waimarama Surf Life Saving Beach Safety Day