# Argyll East School

Live, Learn, Grow

Kia Ora, Kia Ako, Kia Tupu

TERM 4 WEEK 3

FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER

## Message from the Principal

Kia ora families and friends,

We have reached the end of another month and the silly season is just around the corner!

Thanks so much to everyone for supporting yesterday's athletics event. We were so happy that we could go ahead with the day giving our students the opportunity to compete alongside our cluster schools. It's a great chance for students to build connections and friendships that may carry into the future. Congratulations to all our athletes for their determination, sportsmanship, and outstanding efforts. We would also like to thank our community and the Home and School committee for organizing another successful fundraiser. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the delicious baking and BBQ lunch. We are so fortunate to have such a supportive school community!

Thank you to all who contributed ideas during our strategic planning consultation. We appreciate your valuable feedback which will help guide our future planning.

We have received our Term 3 attendance data. Here are the key highlights:

- 72% of students achieved regular attendance (over 90% attendance rate), up significantly from 38% in Term 3, 2025.

The main reasons given for absences were:

- Medical 65%
- Holiday 4%
- Accepted but unjustified 17%
- Unknown 6%
- Explained and Approved 7%
- 100% of students regularly arrived on time (over 90% punctuality rate).

These results reflect a good improvement. Consistent attendance is strongly linked to higher academic achievement, so thank you to all our families for your support—let's keep up the great effort!

Swim 4 Life sessions began today. We are very fortunate to have these free swimming and safety lessons offered to us and ask you to encourage your children to be prepared with their togs and towels each week. The next Swim 4 Life session is on Friday 13th November.

A reminder that next Friday, 6th November is a teacher only day. The school will be closed to students and teachers will be with other CHB teachers at St Joseph's School Waipukurau for Maths and Assessment professional development.

Have a great week everyone,

Julie

## Sport

**Tennis -**
Venue: Waipukurau
**Monday 2nd November**- Argyll East vs Waipawa
**Monday 9th November**- Argyll East vs Omakere- **BYE**
**Monday 16th November**- Argyll East vs Flemington/ St Josephs
**Monday 23rd November**- Argyll East vs Waipukurau Green A
**Monday 30th November**- Argyll East vs Team CHB
**Monday 7th December**- Argyll East vs Omakere

**Summer Hockey** -
**Argyll Mini Sticks vs Tikokino**- Wed 4th Nov @ 4:25pm
**Argyll & Pukehou Kwik Sticks vs Elsthorpe Stars**- Wed 4th Nov @ 5:05pm

**Touch** -
Year 1&2- **Argyll Little Warriors vs Tikokino**
Monday 2nd November @ 3:30pm
Year 3&4- **Pukehou Kea (Argyll joining) vs Tikokino Blue**
Monday 2nd November @ 4:30pm
Monday 2nd November @ 5:00pm
Year 5&6- **Argyll Hurricanes vs Omakere Rua**
Monday 2nd November @ 4:50pm
Year 7&8- **Pukehou Kahu (Argyll joining) vs Takapau Taniwha**
Monday 2nd November @ 4:50pm

**Hawkes Bay Athletics Championships** - Tuesday 17th November
**CHB Athletics** - Thursday 26th November
**CHB Cricket Coaching** - Monday 30th November, 1 hour per class

Please keep an eye out on Seesaw for any updates.
Any Queries please contact - Kim Mullany
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Could all Trophies & Cups from prizegiving last year please be returned ASAP.

### Thumbs Up

- To Jason & Alena for clearing away a broken tree- John was very grateful for your help.
- To the McMillans, Ramseys, Woods, Butlers and Miss Hall for feeding the calves over the long weekend. We appreciate you.
- To Donna & Darin for the use of the trailer to transport our athletics gear.



## Argyll East School Gardening Competition

Don't forget to get planting! You might like to grow veges, flowers or a mixture of both. Keep watering as the weather is hot and windy! Get rid of those weeds and snails too.

This year Jacqui Gilbertson is our judge. Jacqui works at the office at Pukehou School. When she was a primary school student, she came to Argyll East School! Jacqui had a garden then and she won the Flower Cup!
This competition has been going a long time and is part of our history.

Jacqui is coming to judge the gardens towards the end of the school year.
Please let the office know if you're interested.

## Upcoming Events

November

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| **Friday 6th** | Teacher Only Day |
| **Saturday 7th** | Election Day- school open for voting |
| **Thursday 12th** | Calendar Art Forms Due |
| **Friday 13th** | Swim 4 Life |
| **Tuesday 17th** | HB Athletics Champs |
| **Thursday 19th** | Ōtaia Bush & Yr 5 overnight camp |
| **Friday 20th** | CHBC Transition Day- Year 8's |
| **Friday 20th** | Swim 4 Life |
| **Wednesday 25th** | Rūma Toru River Trip |
| **Thursday 26th** | CHB Athletics |
| **Friday 27th** | Swim 4 Life |

December

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| **Friday 4th** | Swim 4 Life |
| **Wednesday 16th** | Prizegiving 6pm |
| **Thursday 17th** | Last Day of Term 4- 12pm Finish |

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