



Argyll East School

Live, Learn, Grow

Kia Ora, Kia Ako, Kia Tupu



THURSDAY 4TH
DECEMBER
2025

Students of the week

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

Rūma Toru for perseverance, integrity, creativity & respect: At long last it was the outdoor education days and overnight camp. You have worked so hard in preparation of these- writing out a camp menu and budget, learning about different trees we would see in A'Deane's Bush, learning to use the different elements in the water testing kit, thinking about Health and Safety and your responsibilities... and then we went out and did it! You used all the AES values and had heaps of FUN! Thanks for being such a fantastic group!

Piper McCormick for perseverance, integrity, respect & creativity: You have really shone during this busy week where we are trying to fit in so many things and our routine isn't very structured! You have stepped up into a key role in our classroom play and it has been great watching you grow in confidence to deliver your lines and act out the part. You approach everything with a quiet calmness which positively impacts those around you. Thank you for all the quiet extras you do without fuss - I will really miss this. You are well prepared and ready for Woodford House next year; they are lucky to have you!

Ted Wilson Welcome: Welcome to Rūma Tahi and Argyll East School. You have settled into our classroom well, making and reconnecting with friends and learning our class routines. You come into class with your big friendly smile and 'hello'. This week you have already been on the bus to school, swam in the pool and done some fantastic learning. Ted, we hope you enjoy your time here!

Gus How for Perseverance & Creativity: Gus, it's been great seeing you play so nicely with your friends lately and letting everyone join. You build some fantastic creations with the cars, blocks and army in class and you have so much fun doing so. Over the year, you have been persevering to learn new spelling rules and it's been great seeing you use them in your writing and learning how to add more detail to your pieces. Gus, you have worked hard and taken the challenge head on with working with numbers during maths and it's great to see you succeeding. Keep up the good work!



Message from the Principal

Kia ora families and friends,

Summer has begun and we are enjoying this beautiful time of the year at our beautiful school.

Rūma Toru had a great time on their outdoor education programme last week. They were lucky with some hot weather and spent lots of time swimming in the river and enjoying the shade of A'Deanes bush. The year 5's loved their sleepover and were buzzing at breakfast the next morning, sharing their stories of eeling, cooking dinner on the fire and camping on the back field. A great experience for our students! Thanks to everyone for your organisation and support.

We have some fun days planned in the final weeks of term. This Friday students should come to school dressed in their club colours. Ask them to check with their teachers if they are not sure of their club. We begin the day watching a play written by our senior students for the rest of the school to enjoy. We will be having an early assembly followed by club games and then in the afternoon we have a school disco before heading home. The senior class is putting lots of effort into organising the day and we are looking forward to it.

Today, students in Rūma Toru and Whā are bringing home their end of year reports. We are very pleased with our achievement levels this year and congratulate everyone on their perseverance and diligence. We have great learners at Argyll East School. Please contact class teachers if there is anything you would like to discuss. Students in Rūma Tahi and Rua receive their reports throughout the year on anniversary dates.

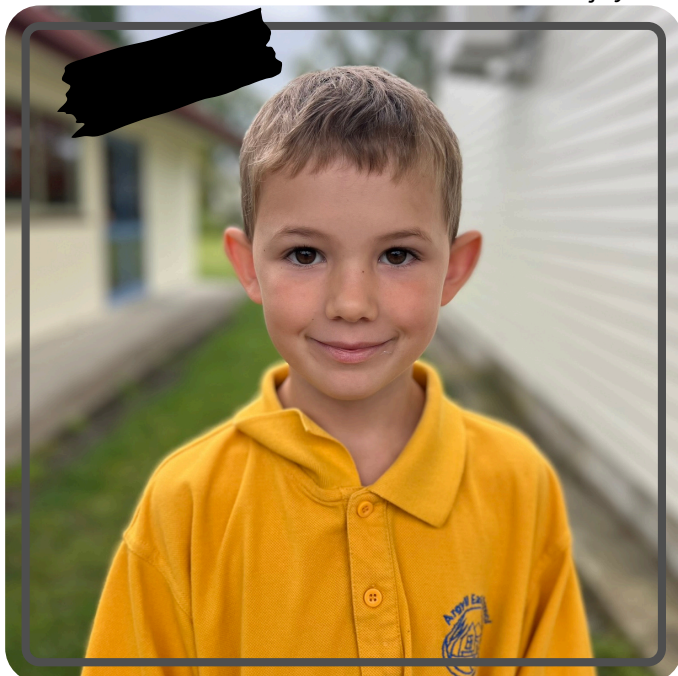
Our senior bus monitors are off to Splash Planet next Wednesday. We thank them for their help on the bus this year. They all show great responsibility and respect in their role as bus monitors.

Final preparations are underway for the Argyll East Talent Show - again, this is completely organised and run by the senior class. It is happening on Thursday 11th December at the Argyll East Hall, starting at 11.45am. Everyone is very welcome!

Next Friday is the Home and School Big Fun Day. Students should bring their togs and 2 towels and can wear casual clothes. Please consider the hot NZ sun when they are choosing their clothes for the day. We have sunblock available, but covering up is always the best protection. Students do not need to bring lunch that day as Home and School are providing fish and chips, sausages and chips, hotdog and chips or just chips. Students have already placed their orders. They should still bring some morning tea. Thanks in advance to Home and School for organising the day - we can't wait!

Enjoy this great week everyone,

Julie



PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

To Ewan Burgin for demonstrating our vision and values. Ewan, you can be very proud of yourself for your perseverance this week. You have shown focus and commitment to your goals and been very successful. You know what it means to be reliable and responsible and your perseverance shows the kind of self discipline that leads to success. You have an awesome, positive outlook and a great friendly attitude.

Well done Ewan and keep up the great work!

Sport

Could all Sports Uniforms be returned by tomorrow- Friday 5th December

AES Gardeners

On Sunday 7th December, Bridget will be coming to visit you and your garden.

Tell her all about it. Show her what you have planted. She is very excited to meet you and share your gardening knowledge.

Well done for all your hard mahi. We hope you are very proud of yourselves.



The children in Rūma Toru circled the massive totara in A'Deane's Bush. It is over 600 years old.

School Accounts

Thankyou to all of those that are up to date with payments. Could all accounts please be paid by the end of term.

To those of you who are behind, please contact the school if you are having trouble with paying.

Prompt payment where possible is much appreciated.

Thumbs Up

- Thank you to all our parents who have looked after teams in Summer Hockey, Touch and Tennis
- To all the parents who helped on Toru's 2 outdoor education days and the overnight camp. We appreciate you!



Library Books

Could all library books please be returned to school by Friday 5th December.

Over the past 3 weeks we have had some cases of chickenpox.

Advice from our Public Health Nurse:

SYMPTOMS: runny nose, cough and spots with a blister on top of each spot.

SPREAD:

Breathing in infectious air particles from an infected person who has breathed out, sneezed or coughed.

TIME BETWEEN EXPOSURE AND SHOWING SYMPTOMS:

Contact with fluid from blisters. 10–21 days
(usually 14-16 days)

EXCLUSION:

1 week from appearance of rash, or until all blisters have dried up and crusted

So in conclusion, if sick stay home, and remember symptoms may not show for 2 weeks after being in contact.

Raffle Sheets

A huge thank you to everyone who has been selling tickets for our Christmas Raffle fundraiser. We are thrilled with the response so far and it looks set to be a fantastic success!

- If you have already returned your sheets, thank you so much for your promptness!
- Please ensure all remaining sheets (sold or unsold) and the corresponding funds are returned to the school office by Wednesday 10th November.

Your hard work is really appreciated and goes a long way in supporting our students.

Thank you all for making this a great fundraiser!

Upcoming Events

December



Friday 5th

Club & Disco Day

Sunday 7th

Gardening Judging

Wednesday 10th

Raffle sheets + money due back

Splash Planet for Bus Monitors

Thursday 11th

Argyll East Talent Show- 11:45am

Friday 12th

Home & School Fun Day

Tuesday 16th

Prizegiving- 6pm

Wednesday 17th

Last Day of Term 4- 12pm finish

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