



SAVE THE DATES!

Book Week

- 4th- 8th November
- Book Character Dress Up 8th November

School Athletics (Postponement date: 12 Nov)

- 7th November
- 8-13 year olds: all day
- 5-8 year olds: 11am onwards

Ultimate Frisbee Tournament: selected Year 7/8 students

- 14th November

Interhouse Tug O War Challenge: 1.15pm

- 15th November

Year 7 & 8 Camp

- 18-21st November

School Assembly: 1.45pm -2.30pm

- 22nd November

Interschool Athletics:

- 22nd November

Senior Student Leadership Interviews

- 26th November

Koromiko Overnight Camp

- 28th November

Year 8 Dinner

- 2nd December

Schoolwide Future Hub Day

- Wednesday 4th December - all day

Roadwarden's Day @ Waterworld

- 26th December

School Reward Day: Water Fun

- 11th December

Service Assembly: 11am - 12.30pm: 12th Dec
School Prizegiving @ 6pm - 7.30pm: 12th Dec

Last Day of School:

- 13th December, 12.30pm finish

Panui/ Newsletter: November 2024

Principal's Message! *A Note from Jo:*

Kia ora e te whaanau,

Nau mai haere mai to Term 4. Yes, we are now into our fourth and final term. We have an action-packed term ahead of us but already had the Flower Show, Amazing Race and Gumboot Friday. It was awesome to see so many students taking up the opportunity to 'get creative' and enter their exhibits at the Flower Show.

Our spring property projects are just about complete including: new changing room for pool, new P.E. Shed, new "green" turf and concrete upgrades.

The pool will be opening on Monday 18th November and our new smart phone access has just about been completed too, keys will become a thing of the past. If you would like pool access for the afternoons and the Christmas break, please contact the office from Monday 11th November.

We are very lucky to provide our tamariki with a well-resourced school and work hard to keep it functional, clean and attractive.

With the end of the year around the corner, can I please ask that any new enrolments for 2025 are completed urgently; our staffing and funding is based on enrolments and it is important that we have accurate figures. Although we have a zone, sometimes there are out-of-zone spaces available.

Ngaa mihi,

Jo Wright



Important Notices: Celebrations and Reminders

School Athletics 2024:

This Thursday, 7th of November, is our school Athletics Day. Pupils 8 years and older will be competing in the Senior rotations for the day, starting just after 9am. This includes sprinting heats.

The 5, 6 & 7 year olds will be joining the Junior Rotations from 11-12,30. They will then race their sprints in the afternoon from 1.10pm, as will the Seniors who made it through their heats earlier in the day to the finals. If we have time we also run parents/teachers vs Year 8s relays, so bring your running gear!

Whole School ‘Future Hub Day’ 2024:

At Horotiu School, we know that when children transition to a new hub they can be a little nervous. This is one of the reasons we have our schoolwide “Future Hub Day”. This is a day of connecting, collaborating, growing confidence and becoming comfortable in our new learning environment. We are currently finalising the numbers and when this is completed all students will receive an invitation which will tell them their hub and teachers for 2025.

On Wednesday,, 4th December, children will start in their 2024 for roll call and karakia then their teachers will take them to the 2025 hub where they will spend the day. Whaanau are encouraged to join the 2025 class from 1.10pm on this day. This is a time to say hi to the teachers, have a look at the new surroundings and spend time with your children in their new learning environment.

Pupils will be dismissed from their future hub at hometime, so if you are unable to attend earlier, picking them up from their new hub would be another great opportunity to meet their teachers and have a look at where they will be in 2025. Any queries please contact your hub teachers, or myself on m.parker@horotiu.school.nz

Book Fair

Our two-yearly Book Fair will be in the Horotiu School Hall starting on Monday 1st November and going till Thursday 4th November. It will be open from 8-9am and 2.40 till 5.00pm. Books make a great Christmas present, so come along and do some Christmas shopping. All purchases benefit our school library by giving us points to spend on new reading material. Look forward to seeing you there!

On Friday 8th November there will be a dress up day. Come to school dressed up as a book or film character. Prizes for the best costume. - Kim Crook

Maths Curriculum:

As you may know, the Ministry of Education has released a new Mathematics Curriculum which is to be implemented in 2025. As a school we have been working hard in the background to ensure we, as teachers, are familiar with the constant changes of this document. More recently this included our Teacher Only Day where we listened to Latishia Kelly from the MOE and hosted two of our neighbouring schools to collaboratively talk “Maths”, amongst other curriculum.

The MOE has also given schools access to Maths kits which will help support our teaching and learning. At Horotiu we have chosen to use ‘*Maths No Problem*’ as a tool to add to our already well-resourced kete, basket, of maths resources.



Around the Hubs

Tiitoki (Reception-Y1):

Tiitoki really enjoyed our Flower Show and made some amazing creations. We have been practising what to do in an earthquake and for Science, we made iceblocks and talked about freezing and melting. We also used this for our storywriting motivation also.



Koromiko (Year 1-2)

We have been busy in Physical Education working on our throwing, jumping and running skills in preparation for our upcoming Athletics Day!

A number of our Year 1 and 2 tamariki recently represented our school at the Te Uku Sports day. This was a great fun day for them to participate in a variety of tabloid activities.



Reception Y0



Y1-2



Y3-4



Kawakawa Y4/5
Kawakawa Y6



Y7-8



Harakeke (Year 3-4)

Kia ora e ngaa whaanau o Harakeke!

Our tamariki have jumped straight into mahi from day one of this term, and it has been amazing to see their enthusiasm and creativity blossom! Recently, we took part in the Flower Show, where each student showcased their unique creations. E mihi ana ki ngaa whaanau who came along to support; your presence meant so much to our tamariki.

We have some exciting events coming up!

- **Junior/Senior Athletics Day:** Thursday 7th November - don't forget to come dressed in your house colours!
- **Book Fair Dress Up Day:** Friday 8th November - dress up as your favourite book character and join the fun!
- **Year 3/4 Move Well Day:** Wednesday 13th November at Patterson Park. We will be joining other schools for cooperative games, more information will be sent home.



Kawakawa 4/5 (Year 4 & 5):



Our focus for Inquiry this term is Social Studies and looking into different cultural celebrations around the world. Our tamariki have thoroughly enjoyed researching and creating posters about their given celebration. Over the next few weeks, we will have time for each group to present their mahi and teach the rest of us about what they have learnt.

We will then start planning our own classroom celebration, where we reflect and celebrate the things that are most important to us. We will also invite our whaanau to come along and enjoy this time with us.



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Y7-8



Kawakawa 6 (Year 6):

Kawakawa 6 has had an exciting beginning to the term! We thoroughly enjoyed participating in the Flower Show, showcasing our artistic talents with flair and creativity.

In class, we're focusing on setting SMART goals to help us reach our full potential and become the best versions of ourselves. Each morning during handwriting, we take a few moments to set our goals for the day, pushing ourselves outside of our comfort zones and setting up ourselves up for success.

We're also eagerly anticipating our upcoming Sports Camp, happening in Week 6 right here at Horotiu School. It's sure to be a highlight of the term!



Maanuka (Year 7/8):

We're off to a fantastic and busy term, with our students jumping straight into a variety of exciting events, activities, and learning opportunities. Here's a quick look at what's been happening in hub hub!



We have completed our final Technology week where students worked hard on completing their projects and engaging in practical learning. They also demonstrated their creativity completing a range of arts and crafts to display at the annual Flower Show.

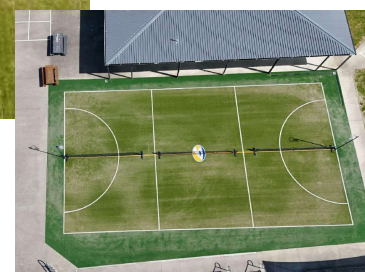
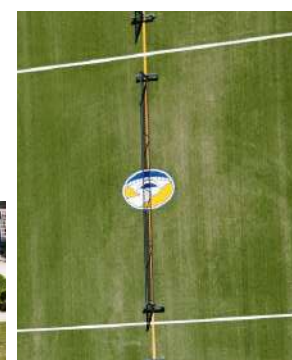
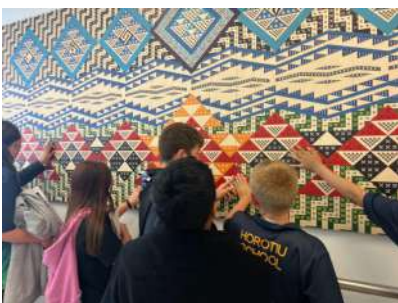
For some lucky students, there has also been a chance to participate in the Amazing Race! This event was packed with fun, problem-solving challenges, and teamwork activities that tested their resilience, collaboration, and quick thinking. It's been great to see some of our students playing Touch on Friday evenings too at Paterson Park.



Are your Contact Details Up-to-Date?

If you have changed your contact details please take a couple of minutes to let us know via email office@horotiu.school.nz or via text on 027 829 9010.

'Striving Together for Success' Newsletter:



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Kelly Club:

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Kelly Club is committed to caring for your kids in a happy, safe, encouraging environment where they have loads of fun and feel right at home. The high-quality programmes are carefully designed in conjunction with the Horotiu School and community to provide the service that best suits your children. The friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on child protection, behaviour management techniques, first aid, art and craft, sport and cooking activities. Kelly Club offers set activities each day including crafts, cooking and sports over the week during our after school care.

Holiday Programme -

Kelly Club will be running their fun and busy Holiday Programme these next school holidays. Book online at <https://kellyclub.co.nz/> and enter Horotiu as your school. Kelly Club staff look forward to seeing your kids there. Any questions - pop in and see the team at KellyClub.

OSCAR Subsidies

Kelly Club is an OSCAR approved provider and complies with all of MSD's childcare requirements. Qualifying families can therefore receive WINZ subsidies towards their fees. Click on the Kellyclub link below for more information.

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Email: horotiu@kellyclub.co.nz

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