



Hororata Primary School

Learning for our future

Parent Teacher Association

Principal's Report – Annual Report '21

The PTA continues to provide wonderful support for the children, teachers and families of Hororata Primary School. Our school relies upon the P.T.A to supplement the school's annual funding entitlement. The support afforded by the P.T.A has enabled the school to develop and implement many new and innovative teaching and learning programmes, maintain up-to-date teaching resources and undertake several property projects, enhancing and improving the school environment. The following information is a mere snapshot of the support provided by the PTA during 2020.

Active Culture...

- **Adventure Playground...** In 2020, the PTA partnered with the Board of Trustees to fund the adventure playground upgrade. The partnership saw the PTA contribute \$12,000 to the cost of relocating and upgrading the school's adventure playground.

Learning Culture...

- **School Resources...** The PTA contributed to the purchase of classroom consumables and sun protection.
- **Hororata kids have the gift of the gab...** The Hororata Speech and Poetry Competition was held in June. This year's theme was "Back to the Future", relating to the school-wide collaborative theme for Semester One and included amusing renditions of well-known nursery rhymes; entertaining poetry and speeches about COVID, the past and future. Thanks to the PTA for providing the awesome wooden plaques to recognise the efforts of our akonga.
- **Learning outside the classroom...** In early December, thirty-three Year 4-6 students participated in the Senior School "City" camp in Kaikoura. The group stayed at the Top 10 Holiday Park and participated in an awesome range of activities including a powhiri experience at the Takahanga Marae, a night at the museum movie treat, a visit to Fyffe House, a beach scavenger hunt, a walk around the seal colony and a Whale Watch experience.
- **Juniors enjoy a 'Big Long Day'...** In 2020 we broke from tradition and instead of holding a Big Day Out or junior sleepover, we chose to extend the school day until 2000hrs. The modified EOTC activity saw 38 little angels (students) and 10 adults share a family movie, BBQ and enjoy a swim in our awesome pool.
- **Parent Teachers Association Junior Cup...** Citizenship Awards are awarded to students in each age group relative to the contribution each child makes to our school during the school year. The Parent Teachers Association Junior Cup for citizenship in Years 1-3 was awarded to Lunice Buka in 2020, with Merit Awards presented to Hamish Irving and George Harris.
- **Year Six Graduating Students...** Our school farewelled fourteen graduating Year Six students at the end of 2020. On behalf of the PTA each student was gifted a Senior Leavers' Hoodie inscribed with their names at the end of Term One.

Finally, the PTA has had a very busy year and has contributed to Hororata Primary School in many ways. The time and energy the PTA invest in school programmes and fundraising activities is enormous. I would like to acknowledge and thank the PTA for the contribution they have made to our school.

Mauruuru ki te tautoko | Thank you for supporting Hororata Primary School.

Marty Gameson (Tumuaki | Principal)



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Session Times:

**Monday and
Friday**

9.30am-12.30pm

Learn alongside your Child, be part of their early Childhood experience!

Whanau tupu ngatahi – families growing together