



# Hororata Primary School

Learning for our future



## Parent Teacher Association

### Principal's Report – October '21

#### Student Achievement

##### Active Culture...

Our Active Culture encourages our children to **make responsible choices for how they use their free time.**

- **Life without Jayde...** At the end of Term Three we bid farewell to Jayde Mayberry. Jayde has been an Activator at our school and across Malvern for past few years and our Active Culture Leader here at Hororata since the beginning of 2020. She has been an integral part of the team that has provided our akonga with the many sporting and recreational opportunities we have enjoyed over the years and has been the corner stone of our Whakatipu Kaihautu programme, developing our senior students into young leaders. Jayde is taking up a teaching position at Sheffield School for the rest of 2021.

##### Upcoming Events...

Wk.	Subject	Location	Date
1	TERM FOUR (BEGINS)		Mon 18/10/2021
	CURRICULUM - Cricket	Hororata	Wed 20/10/2021
3	MALVERN - Zone Athletics	Darfield High School	CANCELLED
	MALVERN - Sport Spectacular (Yr 1-3)	Darfield	PENDING
	HORORATA Highlands Games	Hororata Domain	CANCELLED
5	MALVERN - Athletics	Darfield High School	PENDING
7	CANTERBURY - Athletics	Nga Puna Wai, Christchurch	Wed 01/12/2021
8	CURRICULUM - Swimming (Jackie Mander)	Hororata	Wed 08/12/2021
	TERM FOUR (ENDS)	84 half days	Fri 17/12/2021

##### Learning Culture

Our Learning Culture encourages our children to **'Think outside the box'**; to use flexibility, creativity, innovation, and wisdom to solve every day problems.

- **School Values...** The school value for Term Four is **'Excellence'**
  - P**ersonal Best ... **Confident** and will **persevere** and show **resilience** when striving to achieve their personal best.
  - R**espect ... **Caring** of themselves, others and the **environment**, and show appropriate **manners**.
  - I**ntegrity... **Honest**, take **responsibility** and are **accountable** for their actions.
  - D**iversity... **Understanding**, **tolerant** and **inclusive** of others.
  - E**xcellence... **Motivated**, **self-improving**, **risk takers**

**Six Kinds of Best...** The T421 *6KOB* focus is **'Be the Achieving Kind'** This will continue to be run through weekly School Assemblies run by the Principal on a Friday afternoon between 1350 – 1445 hrs.

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1	TERM FOUR (BEGINS)		Mon 18/10/2021
	CURRICULUM - M. Festival Area Rehearsal	Avonhead School, Christchurch	CANCELLED
2	HORORATA Spring fair	Hororata Domain	CANCELLED
	CURRICULUM - Shake-Out	New Zealand	Thu 28/10/2021
	CANTERBURY - Christchurch Music Festival	Christchurch	CANCELLED
4	HORORATA - Spring Festival	Hororata	PENDING
6	MALVERN - STEAM Challenge	Hororata	Thu 25/11/2021

7	ADMINISTRIVIA - School Reports P   H		Mon 29/11   Wed 01/12/21
	CURRICULUM - Science Roadshow	Darfield High School	Tue 30/11/2021
8	HORORATA – Parent Teacher Conferences	Hororata	Mon 6-Tue 7/11/2021
	MALVERN - Kapa Haka Performance	Darfield	CANCELLED
9	HORORATA - Celebration Assembly	Hororata Community Hall	PENDING
	TERM FOUR (ENDS)	84 half days	Fri 17/12/2021

## Quality Teaching and Learning

### Personnel...

- **UC Teacher Placement...** Our school will host a UC BTchLn First Year Trainee Teacher on their First Year Placement (Terms 4) Monday 18 October – Friday 12 November (4 weeks). This is second part of Jess' placement at Hororata and as such she will return to Tui Class with Sharon and Judith.
- **Learning Support...** In addition to Teacher Aide Support, Genna Bird has been appointed to provide specialist teacher support for our ORS Student(s) and to provide 2.5 hrs of addition learning support for identified cohorts on (days to be confirmed).  
The nature of the Specialist Teacher support for our ORS students will be clarified in a ELP to be completed early this term. The specialist support for groups of akonga achieving below and above expectation will be determined collaboratively by the staff.
- **School Staffing (2022) ...** At the end of 2021 Sharon Huck will change roles and will be working part-time (1 day/wk) in Tui. Her replacement is yet to be confirmed, however we can confirm that Sharon will play a big part in transitioning the new teacher into the class and school.

In addition to the changes to Sharon's position I am pleased to report that Amanda Cullen has won a position in the Science Teaching Leadership Programme (STLP) courtesy of the Royal Society Te Apārangi. This will see Amanda undertake study leave during Terms Three and Four of 2022. We are yet to recruit a teacher to work in Kakapo during this time.

## Learning Environment

### Capital Works Projects

The following table details the Capital Works Project schedule for our school during 2020-21.

### Future Works

- Install new school signage
- Grass/ Hydro seed exposed areas
- Remediate flooding in staff carpark
- Complete fencing project in/around school
- Update Staffroom
- Renovate the old Piwi learning space to include Library and teacher resource area
- Install lighting in parking area
- Swimming pool heating

## Administration

- **Policy Review Cycle...** Our school has recently implemented SchoolDocs as a means of maintaining school policies. Below are some useful guidelines for what to do now:

Login Details	Who should use this login?	What can they access?	How to log in
<b>Community</b> <b>Username:</b> hororata <b>Password:</b> hororata	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School staff</li> <li>• Parents</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your SchoolDocs site</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Go to <a href="https://schooldocs.co.nz">schooldocs.co.nz</a></li> <li>• Click <b>Search for your school</b>.</li> <li>• Type school's name/ select from dropdown list.</li> <li>• Enter community username and password.</li> </ul>

- **School Roll...** The School Roll as at Monday 18 October 2021 will be 87 incl. Piwakawaka – 18, Kea – 21, Kakapo – 27, Tui – 21, Families 61.

	Yr. 0	Yr. 1	Yr. 2	Yr. 3	Yr. 4	Yr. 5	Yr. 6
Male	5	2	8	10	7	6	8
Female	6	4	6	5	13	4	3
	11	6	14	15	20	10	11

Boys		Girls	
44	51%	34	39%
2	2%	7	8%
Maori Boys		Maori Girls	

- **Classroom Composition (2022) ...** Next year promises to be another exciting year for Hororata Primary School. It will see us begin/ complete a number of new property projects and will see us continue our journey alongside other schools in the Malvern Learning Community or Kahui Ako, to raise student achievement in Literacy and Numeracy.

Our projected roll for January 2022 is 83 akonga, our staffing entitlement and operational funding is consistent with 2021, which means that we will be running a four class split of Piwakawaka - Yr 0-1 (18); Kea - Yr 2-3 (20); Kakapo - Yr 4-5 (21); Tui - Yr 5-6 (24).

Classroom compositions will be made observing the following order of priority: age classification, achievement levels, multiple siblings, social behaviour and gender. Special consideration has also been given to the potential for class growth during the year i.e., Piwakawaka: - 18 (Feb); 27 (Aug) and placement of high needs special education akonga i.e., Yr 1 and Yr 5.

➤ **School Dates (2022) ...** The following DRAFT dates have been set for consultation, for the 2022 school year.

Term	Start date	End date	Description
1	Monday 31 January	Thursday 14 April	11 weeks (106 half-days)
2	Monday 2 May	Friday 8 July	10 weeks (96 half-days)
3	Monday 25 July	Friday 30 September	10 weeks (98 half days)
4	Monday 17 October	Friday 16 December	9 weeks (84 half days)

**Primary, intermediate and special schools** should be open for instruction for **384 half days** in 2022 and closed on the following days: **Waitangi Day** (observed) - Mon 7 Feb; **Good Friday** - Fri 15 Apr; **Queen's Birthday** - Mon 6 Jun; **Matariki** - Fri 24 Jun; **Labour Day** - Mon 24 Oct; **Canterbury Anniversary Day** - Fri 11 Nov; **TOD** – Fri 9 Sep; Thu 10 Nov.

➤ **COVID Update '21...** Since our last meeting the school/country has not changed Alert Levels. We continue to emphasise the importance of:

- Good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette
- Staying away if sick
- Keeping the appropriate physical distance from others
- Cleaning and disinfecting our high touch surfaces daily
- Displaying QR code posters at our entrances and encouraging all of our community to download the NZ COVID Tracer App and use it if they come on-site
- Keeping a visitor register for anyone who cannot use the app and for other essential visitors
- Children are permitted to wear a face covering while at/to and from school.

#### Rāhui Feedback

1. How did you and your whanau cope with the 2021 COVID Rāhui?
2. How did you cope with the amount of work provided by the school as part of the Distance Learning Programme?
3. Did the school keep you well informed about what was happening and what was expected of your tamariki during the COVID Rāhui?
4. Did you have regular contact with your tamaiti's classroom teacher during the COVID Rāhui?
5. What things did we do well? AND What things could be improved for next time?