



# HATAITAI SCHOOL

Kia ora e te whānau and welcome back to Term 3.

Mānawatia a Matariki — Happy Māori New Year!

## **CELEBRATING MATARIKI AT HATAITAI SCHOOL**

This Wednesday we celebrated Matariki here at school. What an amazing way to start the new term together. Thank you to the 100 or so parents who joined many staff members up on Mt Victoria. The morning dawn was perfect and we were incredibly fortunate to experience the Starlink Satellite fly past.

The BBQ, hot soup from our Garden to Table programme, and hot chocolate was a treat on arrival back at school. The celebration concluded mid-morning after all the students participated in Matariki Activities organised by their House Leaders in their House Teams.



*Thank you to the Lauchlan Family who shared these photos.*

It was delightful listening to the students and their response to the whole experience. One child said to me when I had asked what their favourite part of the celebration was - "Just being with my friends and family!" I reflected that the true meaning of Matariki was really happening at Hataitai School.

By the conclusion of the day I received the following poem written by our Year 7 Student - Gabriel Gratsounas. Enjoy his beautiful reflection.

## Matariki Poem

The majestic nine stars of our childhood,  
Piece of myth, carved on wood.  
Appearing every Maori New Year  
As whanau and friends gather near.  
The great nine stars shine with pride.  
People gazing into the heart of Matariki,  
Thumping in a rhythm of harmony  
As dusk fades away to the birth of dawn.  
The beautiful cluster of stars fall asleep,  
To reawaken and shine in the blank murky night.

Gabriel Gratsounas

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### **WELCOME NEW STUDENTS TO HATAITAI SCHOOL**

We are delighted to welcome the following students to Hataitai School.

#### **Nga Wai – Year 5/6**

Alba Gee

#### **Nga Hau e Wha – Year 3/4**

Fabienne Grabow-Clifford

Samuela Tora

Luca Gee

#### **Papatuanuku – Year 0-2**

Manoa Tora

Zoey Ball

Juliet Taylor

Toby Collins

We hope every student and their families feel welcome and are with us for many years.

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### **GRANDPARENTS AND SPECIAL PERSON DAY**

Thursday 03 August 9:00am to 12 noon

Further details of the celebration will be circulated at the beginning of next week.

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### **MID YEAR LEARNING CONFERENCES**

Tuesday 25 July, Wednesday 26 July and Thursday 27 July

#### **Reminder**

If you have not already made a booking - please do as soon as possible. These conferences are extremely important for you, your child and their home class teacher to plan the second half of the school year.

New Entrant students will have an individual conference once they have been at school for 6 weeks.

It is encouraged that you bring your child along to the conference also. We will hold all conferences onsite. There will only be one conference time available for each student.

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The smooth running of our interview evening relies on all parents keeping to the timetable. Please consider other parents and end the interview on time. Each conference will conclude after 15 minutes.

### **LEARNING CONFERENCE - BOOKING DETAILS**

**WEBSITE:** <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/>

**CODE:** dzaq8

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### **TERM THREE LEARNING TEAM NEWSLETTERS**

Tomorrow you will receive your Learning Team newsletter. Please read carefully the information for your child's learning this term and the importance dates and activities which have been planned.

Ngā mihi

Jacinta Simpson  
PRINCIPAL

## 2023 TERM DATES

### TERM THREE

Monday 17 July – Friday 22 September

Monday 17 July	<b>School Commences 8:55am - all students</b>
Wednesday 19 July	Hataitai School Matariki Celebration – 7:00am to 9:30am
Monday 31 July to Friday 04 August	Curriculum Celebration Week – Science
Thursday 03 August	Grandparent and Special Person Day – 9:00 to 12:00 noon
Tuesday 12 September	Artsplash

### TERM FOUR

Monday 09 October – Tuesday 19 December

Monday 09 October	<b>School Commences 8:55am - all students</b>
Friday 20 October	Labour Weekend – school closed
Monday 23 October	Labour Weekend – school closed

## BOARD of TRUSTEE MEETINGS 2023

### TERM THREE

Thursday 03 August	6:30pm - BOT Meeting No. 5
Thursday 07 September	6:30pm - BOT Meeting No. 6

### TERM FOUR

Thursday 26 October	6:30pm - BOT Meeting No. 7
Thursday 30 November	6:30pm - BOT Meeting No. 8

# SCHOOL NOTICES

## SKATE ED IS BACK!

Mel and the crew are running after school sessions on Thursdays once again. Learn the ropes, or land that tre flip off the kicker. All abilities are welcome.

Follow this link for more details.

<https://app.acuityscheduling.com/schedule.php?owner=26655595&appointmentType=49843275> (available on our website too) [www.skated.co.nz](http://www.skated.co.nz)

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## SCHOLASITC BOOK CLUB

Issue 5 has been handed out to students which should have made it home to you. Please note that you need to place any orders on-line. You can find the payment instructions on the inside of the back page. We do not place orders through the office.

All books ordered will be delivered to school and handed out to the students unless you have stated that the books are a gift; Annabel will then contact you and arrange a suitable pick up time.

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## ABSENCES

Please advise the school office and your child's home class teacher of your child's absence before 9:00am.

**Phone:** (04) 386 1510, then press 1 to leave a message  
**Email:** [office@hataitai.school.nz](mailto:office@hataitai.school.nz)  
**Website:** [absence@hataitai.school.nz](mailto:absence@hataitai.school.nz)

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## SCHOOL LUNCHES

### Hell Pizza – Wednesday

Standard pizza \$7.50

Gluten/Diary free pizza \$9.00

If your child is ordering pizza, please ensure they have the correct amount.

### EZLunch Sushi – Thursday

Place your order for Thursday via [www.ezlunch.co.nz](http://www.ezlunch.co.nz)

Orders are accepted up until 9.00am on a Thursday morning

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## Y-KIDS AFTER SCHOOL CARE, HATAITAI SCHOOL

Starting in Week 6, the Y ASC (After School Care) programme will be running a bowls module.

Wellington bowls will teach our tamariki the game of bowls and play a few fun variations of the game.

If you would like to book your child into After School Care with the Y, please click on the following link [www.ycentral.nz/ykids/](http://www.ycentral.nz/ykids/)

**Area Manager:** Ruvi Jay

**Programme Coordinator:** Romina Vallejos

**Phone:** 0800 YMCA 4U

**Mobile:** 022 417 2910

**Email:** [Hataitai.asc@ycentral.nz](mailto:Hataitai.asc@ycentral.nz)

## QISMATECH CODING

Held here at Hataitai School by our talented Teacher Aide Mohammed.

Open for Years 4 to 8.

The cost is **\$220** for the term, starting Week 3 and finishing Week 10.

Click on the link below to register your child's interest.

<https://forms.gle/g95s7CQbBuJzuJJx5>



### PRICE

for 1 term

\$220 per student

Thursdays or Fridays

3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

years 4 - 8



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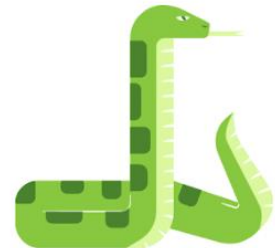
### WEB DEVELOPMENT

Web development will always be a necessary career in our modern digital world.

The students will learn the basics of web development programming in HTML, CSS and Javascript.

They will be aiming to build their own website about whatever content they choose.

They will also be taking a free Web dev activity book so they can keep on practicing at home!



### PYTHON

Python is on the top 3 lists of most required programming languages in the tech industry along side JavaScript and HTML.

The Python programming language is easier to understand and is a great way to get kids started in programming!

The students will learn the foundations of python programming by building three games; guess my number, Hangman and tic tac toe.

They will also be taking a free python programming activity book so they can keep on practicing at home!

## COLLECT YUMMY LABELS AND STICKERS

Have you heard the old adage an Apple a Day keeps the Doctor away? Well, an apple a day gets *us* new sports gear!

By collecting Yummy stickers and cut-out labels our school gets a share of the \$200,000 Yummy Fruit Company free sports gear prize pool.

### What to collect

- Collect Yummy cut-out labels from 1.5kg bags of Yummy apples (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers)
- Collect individual Yummy apple stickers.

Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores.

The more you collect, the more sports gear you get.



### What to do with the Yummy labels and stickers

- Get a sticker sheet from the School office or download and print one at [www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/](http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/). Once it is full with stickers give it back to the office.
- Any cut-out labels can be delivered directly to the office.

### When does it finish

All stickers/cut-outs must be with the office by **1 September 2023**.

*“The Yummy stickers are an important annual supplement to our PE shed. We also gather resources specifically for some of the Junior classes.*

*The best thing that Yummy stickers get us is definitely tennis balls! You can never have too many.” – Glen Sneddon*

