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# HATAITAI SCHOOL



#### Kia Ora Whanau

I would like to thank you all for your support and generosity of understanding as we have navigated our way through another reasonably complex year.

As with all children in Aotearoa this year, much has been asked of our students due to the many upheavals of COVID along with the added complexity of the school building programme.



Despite this, we were thrilled to present excellent Student Achievement results in Reading, Writing, and Maths at the final Board meeting.

Over the past weeks there have been many assemblies to recognise successful achievements. The staff congratulate each and every student for their outstanding efforts.

# 2022 Year 8 Speech Cup and Speech Finals

On Friday 2 December 24 Year 5-8 students presented their speeches to the senior school. As we experience most years - the quality of the speeches was amazing and inspiring. Topics included: Child Poverty, The Right to Education, Anxiety and Depression, Homelessness, Historical People who have Shaped our Future Social Media and Me, Why you Should Hunt in New Zealand, Cancer Awareness and Surviving Cancer, Breaking the Criminal Cycle, Anxiety and How Children Could not speak Te Reo in the Past.

Congratulations to all the finalists who competed and to the successful winners.

#### Year 5 Winners:

- 1. Hannah Sharma
- 2. Gabrielle Warren
- 3. Alexandra Kersey

## Year 6 Winners:

- 1. Isabella Mihalovics
- 2. Scout van Dam
- 3. Anna Hayward

#### Year 7 Winners:

- 1. Holly Connor Kebbel
- 2. Chloe Langridge
- 3. Thomas McKenzie

#### Year 8 Winners:

- 1. Anaya Vallabh Winner of the 2022 Speech Cup
- 2. Lily Challenor
- 3. Charlotte Bellingham and Callum Carnegie

## **Academic and Cultural Assembly Year 1-7**

In the last week we celebrated the Academic and Cultural Assembly. Two students from each home class were awarded a certificate of special recognition for their excellent contribution to their learning this year.

Congratulations to the students from each class who were awarded a certificate.

Waiopehu - Arthur Webb and Mila Morgan

Aoraki - Riley Towgood and Quinton Lin

Remutaka - Nila Dass and Tema Navanua

Nga Huru - Chloe Aimes and Edie Cullen

Takarua - Mahe Boswell and Sophie Baker

Raumati - Greta Henderson and Bethany Stevenson

Te Moana - Scarlett Clarke and Finn Scott

Nga Roto - Ursula Scott and Maria McSherry

Nga Awa - Marina MacGibbon and Julian Brown

Tahu - Silvia Hickman and Josh Long

Karaka - Anya Garelja and Troy Smart

Whero - Karl van Stokkum and Mary Kersey

# **Spirit of Sport 2022**

Year 7 - Gabriel Gratsonas, Pippa Bracewell

Year 6 - Thawa Cain, Caitlin Wells

Year 5 - Alexandra Kersey, Julian Brown

Year 4 - Mackenzie Homan-Young, Jagger Wilson

Year 3 - Charlie Blackstock, Cooper Tilyard

Year 2 - Léo Dubas, Zadie Boswell

Year 1 - Enzo Simcock, Hazel Watson

Year 0 - Cameron Duffy-Brown, Zara Baker

# 2022 Year 8 Leavers' Assembly and Awards

Speech Cup - Anaya Vallabh

Kapa Haka Girl - Anaya Vallabh, Charlotte Bellingham, Lily Harding

Kapa Haka Boy - Jonty Rixon-Taylor, Callum Carnegie

Creative Arts Cup Girl - Lily Harding

Creative Arts Cup Boy - Niko Holzinger

Aspiring Arts Cup - Amber O'Neill

Sports Girl - Lily Challenor

Sports Boy - Callum Carnegie

Maths Girl - Lila Petherick

Maths Boy - Taiki Sligo

Writing Cup - Anaya Vallabh

Spirit of the School - Lila Petherick

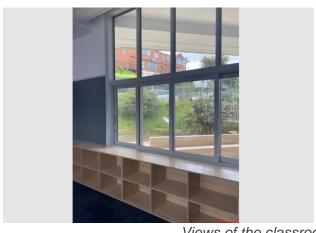
Endeavour - Lily Challenor

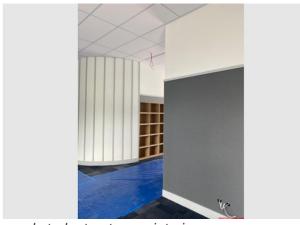
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## **Property**

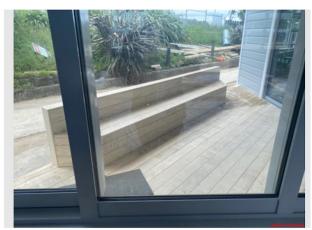
The last site meeting for the school year was held last week. The work is nearing completion





Views of the classroom and student entrance interiors





Views of the classroom interior

## 2023 - Celebrating Hataitai School's 2021 Centenary and opening our new buildings

On **Friday 3 March 2023** we will be celebrating the School's Centenary which had to be deferred over the last 2 years. Details have yet to be determined, but please put the event in your diaries. It is likely to start at the school late morning and last for the afternoon. It will include some entertainment from the pupils and tours of our new classrooms and facilities.

Arrangements will also be made for gatherings of past pupils and other interested parties in the evening. All details will be advised early in the next school year.

# Reminder Weetbix Tryathlon - 2023

Great news!

The Weetbix Tryathlon is back and unstoppable\* in 2023. And it won't be cancelled!

Test your stamina in one of New Zealand's most iconic events. The TRYathlon is all about giving it a TRY and is a rewarding and fun day out for you and your child. Participants need to be aged 7-15 years old on event day, and can complete the TRYathlon as an individual or in a team of two.Participants need to be aged 6 years old on event day to complete the Splash and Dash.

To make it even more appealing, it is just down the road!!!

Follow this link to enter before places run out. THIS EVENT DOES SELL OUT. https://tryathlon.co.nz/locations/wellington/

During the registration process, be sure to connect to the Hataitai School group!

#### **TERM DATES for 2023**

TERM ONE: Thursday 2 February - Thursday 6 April

Wednesday 1 February	SLT/Teacher Meeting	
Thursday 2 February - SCHOOL OPEN	Teacher Only Day	
Friday 3 February - SCHOOL OPEN	Teacher Only Day	
Tuesday 7 February - SCHOOL COMMENCES	School Commences 8.55am - all students	

Waitangi Day: Monday 6 February (School Closed)

Easter: 7 April - 11 April (School Holidays)

TERM TWO: Monday 24 April - Friday 30 June

Monday 2 May	School Term Commences
Kahui Ako Teacher Only Day - New Curriculum: 24 April	School Closed
Anzac Day: 25 April	School Closed
King's Birthday Friday 2 June/Monday 5 June	School Closed
Matariki Friday 14 July	School Holidays

TERM THREE: Monday 17 July - Friday 22 September

Monday 17 July	School Term Commences
Motu Kairangi Kahui Ako Teachers Only Day - TBC	Teacher Only Day

**TERM FOUR:** Monday 9 October – Tuesday 19 December

Monday 9 October	School Term Commences
Labour Weekend: Friday 20 October - Monday 23 October	School Closed

My sincere thanks to all the staff and Board for their wonderful contribution to Hataitai School this year.

On behalf of all the staff - we wish you all a very happy Christmas filled with love and joy with your families.

Ngā mihi

Jacinta Simpson PRINCIPAL