



# Taitā Central School Newsletter



Ako tahi Tātou, Tipu tahi Tātou  
Together we Learn, Together we Grow

Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Bula Vinaka, Malo e lelei, Malo ni, Fakatalofa atu, Namaste, Mingalaba, Kumusta, Marhaba, Sawatdee, Xin chào, Choum, Reap, Sour, Assalamu alaikum, Hello, Greetings!

**22 August 2024**  
**22 Here-turi-kōkā 2024**

**Number 13**  
**Tekau ma toru**

**Term 3: Week 5**  
**Wāhanga 3: Wiki 5**

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## Coming Events:

Fri 23 Aug – Tongan Whānau Day  
Thur 29 Aug – Kāhui Ako Dodgeball Event Y3 to 6  
Thur 5 Sept – Pohutukawa to Walter Nash  
Wed 11 Sept – Study Centre Camp

## To Action:

Lucky Book Club Issue 6 - Thursday 05 September last day to order  
**Absence TXT Line: 022 351 2655** - Text child's first & last name, Ako/class, absence reason, sender's name

*Malo e lelei and greetings everyone*

## Safety of our ākonga in and around school

The safety of our ākonga/students is an ongoing concern for us. While the ultimate responsibility for the safety of students travelling to and from school lies with parents/caregivers, road safety is a partnership in which the school, students and you have a role to play.

The issue of safety is particularly important for schools around drop off and pick up times. At school we place a great deal of emphasis on safe pedestrian and safe cyclist practices.

Please use the main gate when coming into or leaving our school, NOT walking through the staff car park as it is very dangerous to have our ākonga moving through this area when cars are entering or reversing out.

Please do not drive into our school staff car park, this is for staff only.

**Lucky Book Club - Issue 6** orders close Thursday 05 September.



## SCHOOL NEWS

**New Enrolments – Nau mai, haere mai ki to kura o Ngā Hau e Whā**, ngā mihi maioha - A warm welcome to our Taitā Central School community: Ralene Ako 4 & Arieta Ako 4.



P	Perseverance / <i>Whakapau Kaha / Onosa'i</i> - give it a go and keep trying, even when it gets hard.
O	Outstanding / <i>Kei runga noa atu! / Matua silisili ona lelei</i> - always being the best that you can be.
W	Whakawhanaungatanga / <i>Te toa takitini / So'otaga</i> - we come together as one.
E	Empathy / <i>Aroha - Ngākau aroha / Lagona Alofa</i> - trying to understand how others feel.
R	Respect / <i>Kiritau - Whakamana -Whakaute / Fa'aaloalo</i> - treating others how you would like to be treated.

**POWER Values** - Our value focus for Week 3 & 4 across the school was **Outstanding / Kei runga noa atu! / Matua silisili ona lelei** – always being the best you can be.  
The New Zealand Falcon (Karearea) is our mascot for our values.

### Assembly - Week 2 & 3

Thank you to Kowhai Block and our hosts Jack, Molly, Cren and Mehi and visuals Fa'amago.

### Congratulations to our Ako Award Winners:

Ako 1 - Niko & Kina  
 Ako 3 - Phoenix  
 Ako 4 - Koval & Ahrie  
 Ako 7 - Khanishk & Esha  
 Ako 8 - Indy & Ryan  
 Ako Iwa - Stehlin & Nesta  
 Akomanga Māori: Molly (A3)

### Congratulations to our Principal Award Winners:

#### Week 2:

Ako 4 - Iakopo for persevering when learning a new card game in the classroom. You were great at helping others.  
 Ako 8 - Ruby-Lee for living the POWER values and showing leadership within the class and school. Keep up the great mahi!

#### Week 3:

Ako 1 – Vaiana for showing outstanding leadership in Ako 1. You have been helping people with their work when they are stuck and are always being a good role model.  
 Ako 3 – Jack for working hard in all your literacy and maths work. It is a pleasure to see how far you have pushed yourself. You are working very hard and with amazing focus.  
 Ako 7 – Aaru for adjusting in School and showing her power values. You are always trying to do the best you can. You are helpful and kind to others. Keep up your good work.  
 Ako Iwa – Sera for stepping up to help in breakfast club and other activities around our kura when you see a need. You are a leader and keep working hard and shining! Ka mau te wehi!!

### Congratulations to our POWER in the Playground Winners:

Jahziah (A8) Mehi (A3) Izzy (A9) Khanishk (A7) Ahnaira-Ann (A8) Nyla (A3) Brynn (A3) Ata (A8) Ellie (A1) Glynis (A9)

### Congratulations to our Special Prize Winner: Ahnaira-Ann (A8)

### Congratulations to our Stepsweb Award Winners: Skyy (A7) & Sera (A9)

**Assembly – Week 4**

Thank you to Ako 7 and our hosts Navilan, Faaeteete and Emma and visuals Maddie and Albert.

**Congratulations to Ako Award Winners:**

Ako 1: Sia & Legacy

Ako 3: Jericho & Nayaagi

Ako 4: Ralene & Arieta

Ako 7: Navilan & Albert

Ako 8: Eliana & Acaexia

Ako Iwa: Kristina & Elisefou

Akomanga Māori: Ahnaira-Ann (A8)

**Congratulations to our Principal Award Winners:**

Ako 4: Simaima for showing our POWER values and supporting the new students in Ako 4.

Ako 8: Tu'u for always showing our POWER values and being a helpful and supportive member of Ako 8.

Special POWER Nominations:

Ako 8: Cherie for showing our POWER values and caring for others Tuakana / Teina being a big buddy to Zion and supporting him in the playground.

Ako Iwa: Aiden for showing our POWER values. Showing what a Tuakana does to support our Teina at Taitā Central School.

**Congratulations to our POWER in the Playground Winners:**

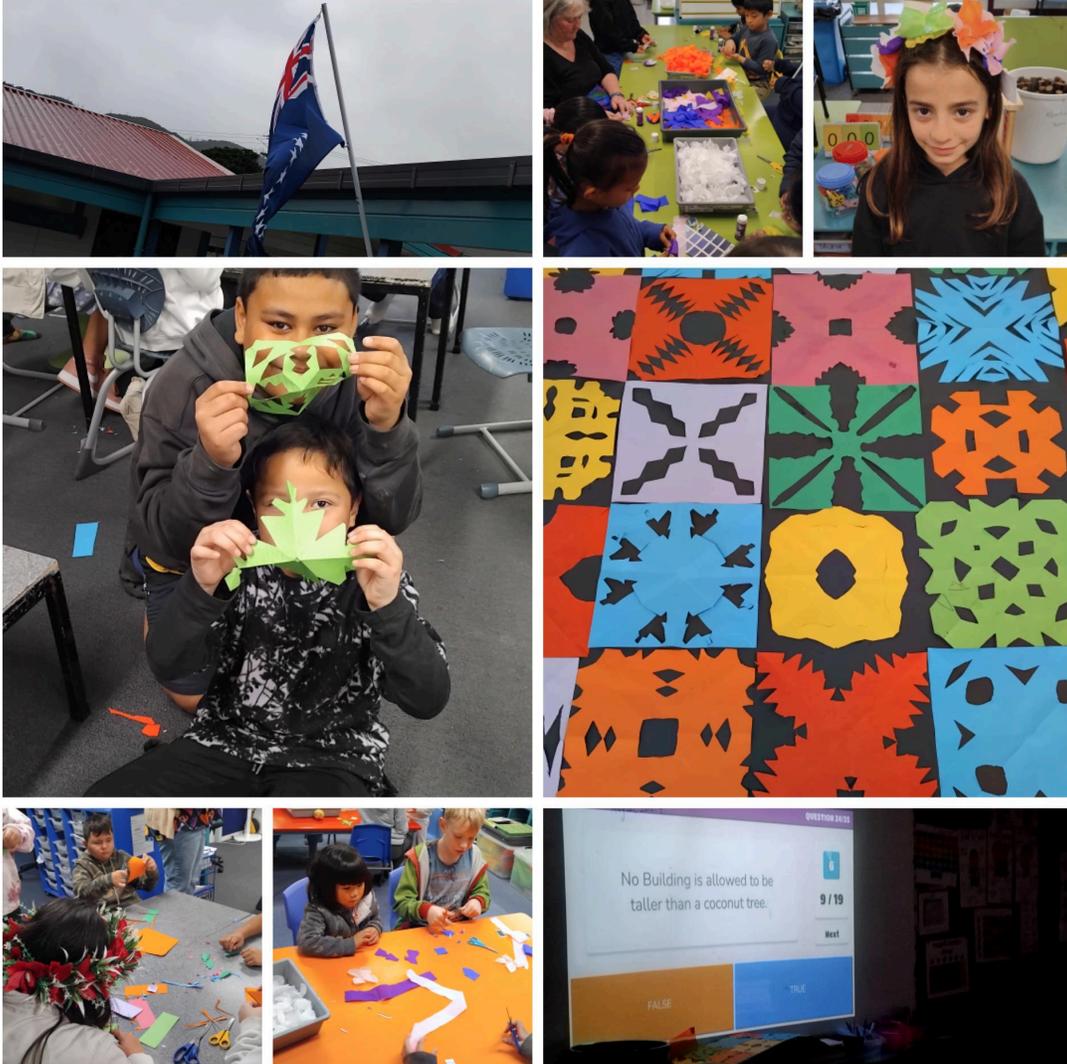
Simaima (A4) Sia (A1) Eva (A3) Joshua (A3) Zeta (A1) Cren (A3) Esha (A7) Jahziah (A8) Kaden (A9) Finn D (A3)

**Congratulations to our Special Prize Winner: Layan (A8)**

# Mana Moments

## Te Reo Māori Kūki Āirni / Cook Island Language Week Whānau Day

Kia Orāna, On Friday the 9th of August our kura celebrated the final day of Te Reo Māori Kūki Āirni / Cook Island Language Week with a full school tuakana/teina rotation. Our ākonga had a variety of activities that encouraged them to learn, celebrate, and grow in their knowledge of The Cook Islands. Meitaki!

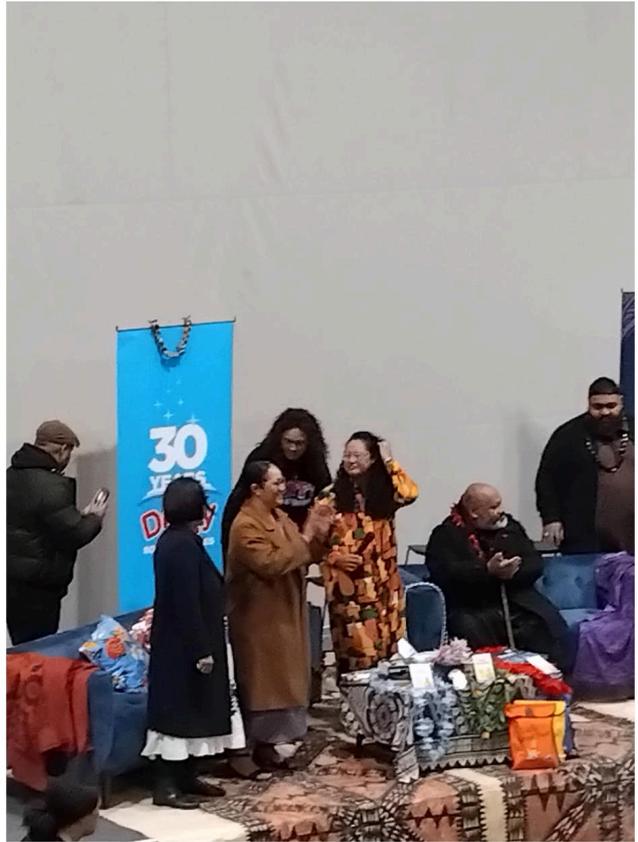
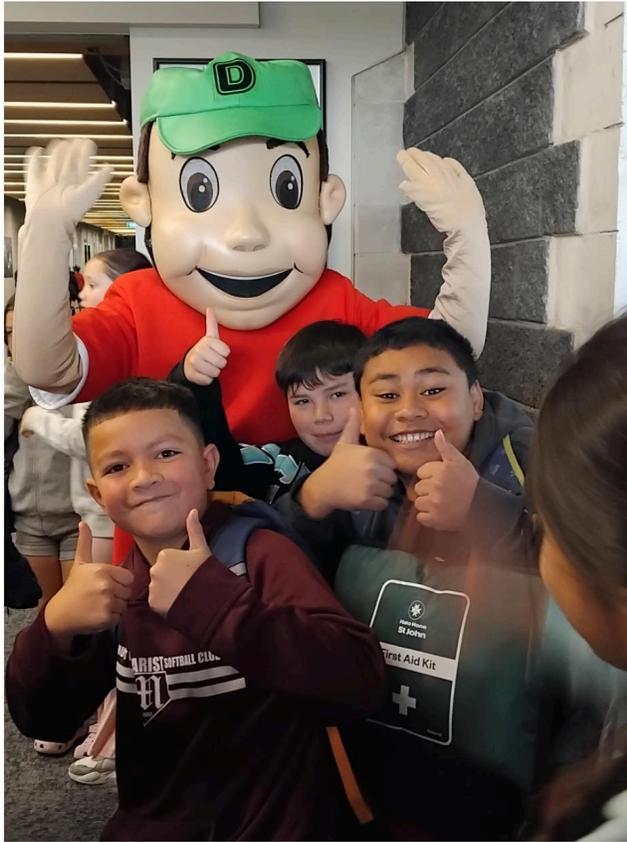


## Cricket in Schools

On Wednesday the 14th of August we had the pleasure of having Wellington Cricket deliver an in-class programme to our lucky ākonga. They learnt skills related to the aspects of catching, throwing and striking with cricket bats. Thank you to Cricket Wellington and to Tom and Dylan.

## Duffy 30th Birthday Celebrations

On Monday the 19th we had a very exciting trip to Te Rauparaha Arena to celebrate Duffy's 30th Birthday! We got to listen to inspiring speakers talk about their love of reading and all of the incredible places that reading can take you!! All of the ākonga that went along got the most incredible goody bags with pens, pencils, colouring in felts, rubbers and books! Thank you Duffy we had a great morning and are very thankful for the gifts!



### **Indian Independence Day Whānau Day**

Our school celebrated Indian Independence Day. Students and teachers across the school participated in art and craft activities, learning about the significance of this historic day. To culminate the celebration, we enjoyed a vibrant assembly featuring traditional songs and dance performances. As a sweet finale, each student received a delicious treat to take home.

Indian Independence Day marks the day on the 15th of August 1947 when India gained freedom from British rule. It's a time to remember the struggles and sacrifices of those who fought for India's independence



**Te Reo Māori Phrase of the Week.**

Whaea Michelle has been supporting our teachers and ākonga to increase the use of Te Reo Māori within our classrooms and school. We now have a Te Reo Māori phrase of the week which we are all learning and trying to make sure we use. You may hear your tamariki using these phrases at home.

Week 4 and Week 5 - **“Kei te haere au ki te wharepaku”** (I am going to the toilet)

## Board News

The Taitā Central School Board of Trustees has received the resignation from Miss Katrina Forman. Miss Forman has worked at Taitā Central School for 12 years and in that time, she has held the roles of classroom teacher, SENCo – Special Education Needs Coordinator and acting Assistant Principal. Miss Forman has always had a passion for the arts and has been responsible for supporting our ākonga to create many of the art works around the school. She is an avid gardener working with our ākonga in our school garden and taught them how to prepare the produce they have grown. She has shared her love of history and the world, opening the eyes of students to the wider world out there. Miss Forman is a wonderful, passionate teacher that has brought so much to Taitā Central School in the time she has been here. She will be greatly missed in the school by students, staff and the wider community. We wish Miss Forman all the best as she takes this next step in her teaching career. Her last day at school will be Tuesday 03 September.

A few words from some of the students

*She's always helping me with my work. She's been the kindest to me and I would not let her go. And I will never break her feelings - Layan*

*She's a nice teacher - Noah*

*Always putting a smile on my face. I feel sad because Miss Forman is always kind - Emma*

*It's cool that she's done a lot of art activities with us. It's been good with you since I started - Ryan*

*Thank you for teaching me how to do art and my work. I'm going to miss you - Eliana*



## **Community News**

### **LAAC Lower Hutt Amateur Athletics Club**

With school athletics and the Zone competitions approaching, the Lower Hutt Amateur Athletics Club warmly invites families and children aged 5-14 to join us for an Information Evening and Open Club Night. This is a fantastic opportunity for your kids to try athletics before registering as a club member and discovering all the benefits LHAAC has to offer. ***Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Hutt Recreation Grounds 6:00pm***

# lower hutt

amateur athletics club inc.

## 2024/2025 SEASON

### COME GIVE ATHLETICS A GO!

**LHAAC INFORMATION EVENING**  
WHEN: 9 OCT 2024  
6PM  
WHERE: LONG ROOM (Top of grandstand)  
HUTT RECREATIONAL GROUND

LONG JUMP | HIGH JUMP | SHOTPUT | DISCUS | TRACK -  
60M, 100M, 200M, 400M, 800M, 1500M, HURDLES

Kids aged 5-14 that enjoyed school athletics or are inspired by the Olympics and want to give athletics a go, LHAAC invite you to come along to our information evening and open club night to give athletics a go before becoming a registered club member for the 2024/2025 season.

**OPEN CLUB NIGHT**  
WHEN: Wednesday 16th Oct 2024  
WHERE: Hutt Recreation Grounds  
TIME: 6PM

For more information please come along to our information evening or visit:  
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/lowerhuttaac>

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### Minor Ailments Scheme Hutt Valley

The service is to help people with minor illnesses to access healthcare at a pharmacy and is available for:

- Children under 14 years of age, and whānau members\* (any age), with the same symptoms
- Community services card (CSC) holders

- Māori and Pacific people

*\*For example, if the pharmacist gives your tamariki medicine for scabies and you, or brothers or sisters also have symptoms, they may give advice and medicine to all of you.*

**The conditions that pharmacists can help you with include:**

- Skin ailments (nits, eczema, scabies, fungal infections)
- Eye inflammation
- Dehydration (usually from vomiting and diarrhoea).

**The participating pharmacy locations are:**

**Lower Hutt**

- [Taita Pharmacy](#)
- [Naenae Pharmacy](#)
- [Owles Pharmacy - Naenae](#)
- [Wainuiomata Pharmacy](#)
- [Clives Chemist](#)

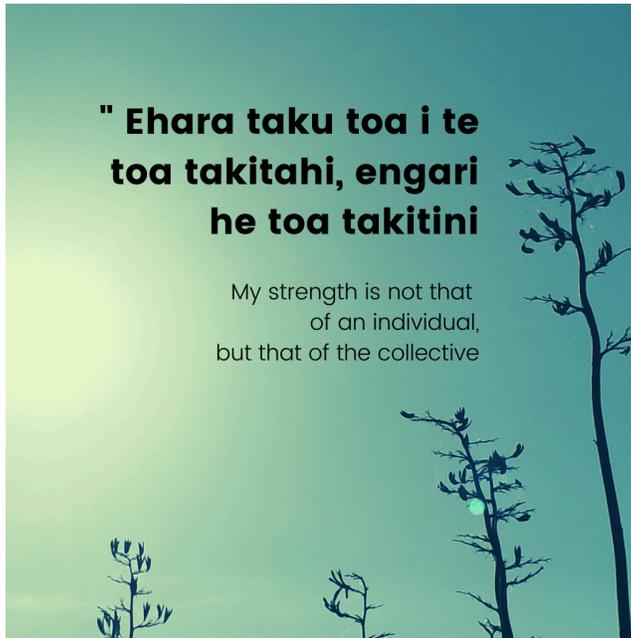
In most cases, bookings are not required, phone or pop in to see your friendly community pharmacist. All advice and treatment is conducted in a professional and confidential manner.

<https://www.ccdhb.org.nz/our-services/a-to-z-of-our-services/minor-ailments-scheme-hutt-valley/>

## Whakatauki

**" Ehara taku toa i te  
toa takitahi, engari  
he toa takitini**

My strength is not that  
of an individual,  
but that of the collective



Kia Manuia warm greetings  
Matua Dylan and Taitā Central School Staff  
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