



What's the hAPS?

24th May 2024

Dear parents/caregivers

Following significant rain on Monday we were so fortunate to be able to hold **our Year 3-6 cross country on Tuesday**. Thanks to the fantastic organisation of the event by Ms Sareta Kemp, Ms Jean Choi and Mrs Monique Fletcher. Thank you also to everyone who helped set up the course on the day and during practice sessions including staff and parent helpers. After weeks of practice, the event ran like clockwork. The absolute look of determination, resilience and sheer joy at on our runners' faces proved that the weeks of training had enhanced their fitness to new levels. Watts and Hughes (our new build construction company) kindly sponsored an ice block for every child in the school to give them a cooling treat at the finish line. All the best to those participants that will be eligible to enter the Interschool Cross Country.



Next Monday to Wednesday (Areas 21, 22, 24 and 32) will be our first group of the Year 5/6 team to attend camp at Carey Park (West Auckland), with our second group (Areas 25, 26, 28 and 29) heading there on Wednesday through to Friday. Our final team (Areas 23, 30 and 31) will be attending on 10th—12th June. Months of planning goes into our overnight camps, including high level safety and risk assessments completed for every activity (which are also reviewed by our Board of Trustees). We are grateful to our Year 5/6 teachers for their huge commitment to camp as well as the parent support and attendance at camp, which allows us the appropriate adult to student supervision ratios. We know that this outdoor education opportunity can be an absolute school highlight for so many of our students. Buses will be loading after 9.00am on Monday and Wednesday so be aware (and patient) as there will be additional traffic pressure for camp “drop off” and traffic for these events at the bus bay as there is **NO ACCESS** to the staff carpark.

PLEASE remember that children are not permitted on school grounds or on playgrounds after school or in the weekends unless supervised by an adult. Just this week we had the real possibility of two children being involved in a serious accident, and only through a teacher being in their classroom after hours and hearing the children, was injury able to be averted. With the new build and site works nearing completion there are additional risk factors with heavy machinery and trucks constantly moving across our courts. Please note there will be trucks pouring concrete ALL this weekend. Drivers of large heavy vehicles cannot see small children at ground level, and it is parent responsibility to ensure **your children are not on school grounds unless you are with them at all times after hours.**

Over the next term you will notice once again we become “a school on the move”. The new build is progressing really well, with the possibility of us moving 20 classes late this term or early in Term 3. In addition to the new build move, the 20 modulocks (temporary field classrooms) will also need to be removed from the site by truck and crane. Needless to say the next 15 weeks will see ongoing disruptions and change, as essentially every class in the school will be required to move to another space. The last few years have taught us that flexibility and resilience are one of our strengths! Our learners, staff and you the community have been amazing in your understanding that short term pain is well worth the long term gain.

Thank you all for supporting our **pink shirt day last Friday**. A fantastic \$875 was raised to support the Mental Health Foundation.

A reminder that school will be closed on Monday 3rd June for King's Birthday and also Tuesday 4th June for a Teacher only day. Kelly Club is open on the Tuesday—bookings are essential—see flyer page 3.



Together in learning

Maree Bathurst
Principal

TERM 2 2024
Term dates: 29th April—5th July

27th-29th May	Year 5/6 Camp 1 (Areas 21, 22, 24, 32)
29th-31st May	Year 5/6 Camp 2 (Areas 25, 26, 28, 29)
3rd June	King's birthday—public holiday—school closed on this Monday
4th June	MOE approved—teacher only day—school closed on this Tuesday
7th June	Year 6 experience day
10th-12th June	Year 5/6 Camp 3 (Areas 23, 30, 31)
12th June	Interschool cross country TBC (rainsaver: 14th June TBC) (for select students)
13th June	Fun social Bingo evening, for parents—refer poster, page 4— new date
25th June	School class and individual photos
25th June	Northern Bays school cross country TBC (for select students)
26th June	School class and individual photos—rollover day, if required
26th June	Year 6 Netball North Harbour Field day TBC
28th June	Matariki—public holiday— school closed
1st July	School 'athon' fundraiser commences
3rd July	Student Led Conferences, 3.30pm-5.30pm
4th July	Student Led Conferences, 3.30pm-5.00pm
5th July	Last day of Term 2, school closes at the usual time of 2.55pm

Whānau ki te Ako Presents

Autism, Anxiety and
Emotional Regulation with
Arletta van den Bosch

Understanding and supporting
neurodiverse learners



JUNE 19TH 2024

4pm - 6pm Educators only - free for all
educators in our Kahui Ako schools,
afternoon tea provided.

6.30pm - 8pm Whānau, parents and families
welcome. Please bring a gold coin donation.

Scan the QR code to register

ALBANY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



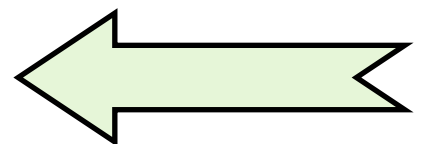
WHĀNAU KITE AKO

BETTER TOGETHER: A CONNECTED PATHWAY FOR EMPOWERED LEARNERS

A great opportunity for
parents to hear Arletta talk
about understanding and
supporting neurodiverse
learners.

June 19th from 6.30pm to
8.00pm.

Gold coin donation
requested.



Introducing

Some of our new staff to
Albany Primary School 2024

SANA AHMED

My name is Sana Ahmed and I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I completed my masters in International Relations in 2006 and worked as a journalist. After a few years in the field, I switched my career, and started working as a lecturer in a prestigious university in Pakistan. I love working with children and my passion for teaching started after having my own two children. I believe that a classroom should be a safe place for Tamaraki where they are free to express their own ideas and values and can grow as strong individuals.



GRACE TYE-WOOD

Kia ora Albany whanau! I am Grace Tye-Wood, teaching Year 3/4 in Area 35. I have four years teaching experience at Maungawhau School in Mt Eden and a background in film and Television productions in the Art Department. I bring a unique blend of skills and perspectives to the classroom. I am particularly passionate about STEAM projects, sustainability, and critical thinking, and I am confident that these areas will greatly enrich our learning journey together.



LEAH TAYLOR

Kia ora! My name is Leah Taylor and I am so excited to have joined the Albany School community as Area 33's new class teacher. I am an experienced primary school teacher, originally from the United Kingdom, and have taught for the past 12 years. In my spare time, I love exploring New Zealand, going on hikes, and reading. I have loved working at Albany these past 2 terms and getting to know all my students and their families.



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Tuesday 4 June
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We've got an amazing programme planned including crafts, games and more! Book online now for our fun-filled one day holiday programme. See you there!

Full Day: \$55*
8am-6pm

School Day: \$45
9am-3pm

Half Day: \$42
8am-1pm or 1pm-6pm

* 7:30am Start Option for \$7 with free light breakfast.

Contact: Jackie de la Rosa

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FOS PRESENTS



A fun and social event for the
Albany Primary School community

BINGO NIGHT

THURSDAY 13TH JUNE

7.00pm-9.00pm

Albany Primary School Staffroom

\$5.00 per ticket—numbers are limited

Tickets on sale now from the school office. Or you can make payment into our school bank account (12 3107 0043717 00) using your child's name and 'bingo' as the reference. Tickets will then be delivered to your child's class to bring home.

Yes you can bring a friend along!

We have planned a fun filled evening to include social games and interaction—this is not a prize oriented event!

This is an adult only event

However if you are able to provide services or donations that we can use as prizes please contact the school office. All sponsors will be acknowledged on the night and in our newsletter.

HOW DO YOU PLAY BINGO?

<https://youtu.be/dJ4YDTqmhJk>

Full instructions given on the night

Numbers will be verbally announced, as well as displayed on a screen

Tea, coffee and snacks provided

Our APS Top Swimmers!

On Tuesday the 7th of May, 10 of our top APS swimmers participated at the 2024 North Shore Primary School Champs. The event took place at the Sir Owen Glenn Aquatic centre in Auckland. This was the first time we entered a swim team to represent our school and although we were one of the smaller schools we placed 13th out of 24 participating top North Shore schools. **What a wonderful achievement!** Thanks so much for all your hard work swimmers! Mrs Rousseau and Mrs Lagerwall.

The 10 swimmers who took part on the day were:

1. Lydia C.
2. Adeline H.
3. Kaitlyn Z,
4. Yuna O.
5. Jessica W.
6. Anfisa M.
7. Damian R.
8. Hunter W.
9. Hugo J.
10. Isaac C.



Special achievements on the day!

8 year old girls: Lydia C 1st 50m breast, 1st 100m free, 1st 50m back

8 year old girls: Adeline H - 2nd 25m back

9 year old boys: Isaac C - 2nd 50m breast, 2nd 25m butterfly, 4th 100m free

10 year old boys: Hugo J - 6th 25m back

100 m Relay team: Hunter W, Isaac C, Jessica W, Lydia C - 4th overall!

Mixed relay team: Hunter W, Isaac C, Jessica W, Yuna O- 8th overall!



School Waharoa

A waharoa is an entrance gateway to a marae complex in New Zealand

This is the final edition of our focus on areas around our school. Subsequent editions will focus on new areas when construction is completed.

In November 2022, knowing that the hall was to be demolished and removed early the following year, a special ceremony was arranged.

Our carved waharoa situated over the main entrance of the school hall was blessed for removal by Mate Webb and Reverend Manuel Beazley. The occasion was made even more special with our 2022 Year 5 students sharing waiata (songs, chants) as they walked around the hall exterior.

This carving (with paua inlays) had been created especially for the hall 26 years earlier depicting the five key people responsible for the vision and creation of this wonderful community asset.

The waharoa is currently being held in safe keeping in the Principal's office, in readiness for hopefully our new hall/gymnasium.



November 2022 event

