

# Patricia Avenue School Newsletter

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*Learning for Living*

Kia ora koutoa

The school has been really humming with activity this past term with a range of comings and goings as we support students' inclusion in our community.

Most recently with the end of the school year fast approaching the staff teams have been supporting students who will have a change of 'learning' location next year. Grouping students and staff each year is a carefully thought through and planned process. We understand that change can sometimes be difficult for students (and whaanau) and if you have concerns please feel free to talk these through with the appropriate AP/DP or me.

As always we have a number of staff leaving and I would like to thank them for their contribution to our school. All the very best to Mr John Brooker, Mrs Helen French, Mrs Roxy Kearney and Ms Kirsten Marsh. We also have a number of learning support assistants leaving. To all our very best wishes as you embark on your next journey.

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*Andrea*

*The Leaders and staff at Patricia Avenue School wishes our families and caregivers a very happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year*

## Reminders

Last day of term 2024 Friday 20th December at 12pm

First day of term 2025 Tuesday 04 February

**Call the transport service if you do not require their service on any particular day**

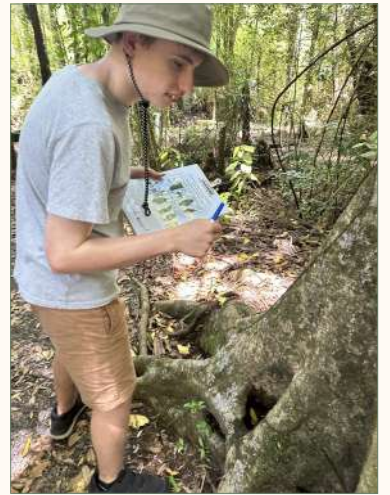
Cross Country: 027 556 0994

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## Pirongia Camp





*Senior Leavers Dinner  
Dance 2024*



*Our*

*Leavers*



## Work Experience

The Transition Unit/Te Pukenga was super hard working at their work experience opportunities throughout 2024. Just look at our students following the rule of 5; safe, sensible, have a go, keep the space and respect. We are so proud of these students representing Patricia Avenue School in the community.

*Tania Hamman—Teacher*



## Woodstock Satellite Unit

The Woodstock Satellite Unit took part in the Book Fair and Grandparents Day celebrations at Woodstock School. Our students had a wonderful time dressing up as their favourite book characters and proudly participated in a colourful morning parade.

Having grandparents (and parents) present added warmth and importance to the event which reminded all of us of their important role in our students' lives.

We are grateful to our whaanau and grandparents for their involvement and support, which made the day truly special and unforgettable for our students

*Mira Navarro—Teacher*



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### Satellite Unit Contact numbers:

Woodstock: 07 8556686 ext. 828  
 Marian: 07 8557515 ext. 223  
 Fairfield: 07 8559718 ext. 853  
 Silverdale: 07 856 7604 ext. 818  
 Te Awamutu Satellite: 078714199 ext. 240  
 Transition Unit: 07 839 4438  
 Cambridge, Melville Primary and Mangakootukutuku call main office 078569350 and ask to be transferred.

## 2025 Term Dates and Calendar

There will be two teacher only days dates to be confirmed.

<b>Term 1</b> 04 Feb—11 Apr 6 February Waitangi Day	<b>Term 3</b> 14 Jul—19 Sep
<b>Term 2</b> 28 Apr—27 June King’s Birthday 02 June Matariki Day 28 June	<b>Term 4</b> 06 Oct—17 Dec (Labour Day 27 October)

Note Satellites follow Patricia Avenue School calendar dates

### 2024 Term 4 14 October —20 December

Week 10	16 Dec Santa Class Visits
Week 10	18 Dec Play Bonanza
Week 10	20 Dec Friday last day of term, school closes at 12pm

## Base Room 5

Summer EOTC with Room 5 provided adventure during Term 4. We went to the Hamilton Zoo and walked around to see all the animals. We could talk about our experience and enjoy lunch in a shady spot. By the time we were ready to go back to the van, we were all happy and very tired. We were lucky to be able to get out on another sunny day and walk around Hamilton’s Lake Rotoroa. We had to walk a long way to find a shady spot for lunch, but we had sun hats and sunblock on. Another enjoyable day out for Room 5!

Linda Mau - Teacher

