# Tawhai School News Week 3 Term 3!

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Monday 28 July 2025

#### A Week of Wonderful Celebrations at Tawhai School!

What an absolutely fantastic week of celebrations we had last week! It was truly heartwarming to see so many of you at our Learning Conversations. These conversations were a brilliant opportunity to celebrate all the amazing learning and progress our children are making. Your child's achievements are something to be incredibly proud of, and it was clear how much effort they've been putting in.

If you weren't able to make it to the Learning Conversations, please get in touch with your child's teacher as soon as possible to arrange another time. They are keen to share your child's mid-year progress report with you.

## **Excellent Progress in Writing and Maths**

Our Term 2 e-astTle writing assessment for Years 2-6 has revealed very positive results. We are seeing excellent overall progress in children's writing skills, with our children performing positively compared to the New Zealand norm. It's not just their skills improving, their general attitude towards writing is also very encouraging, showing great progress in all areas.

In Mathematics, our recent PAT Maths testing for Year 3 to Year 6 has also shown outstanding results across all year groups. We are incredibly proud to announce that every single year level tested is tracking above the national average for mathematics!

We are incredibly proud of this collective success and will continue to build on these strong foundations in both our writing and maths programmes. Thank you for your ongoing partnership in your child's learning journey.

### Parent portal

For support and guidance with your child's home learning please click on the following link **Parent**Portal

# Welcoming Our New Whānau and Celebrating Our Values Superstars!

Last Thursday was another special day as we warmly welcomed our new whānau to the Tawhai School community with a Mihi Whakatau. It's always a privilege to embrace new members into our whānau, and we look forward to getting to know you all better.

We also took the time to celebrate our truly awesome Tawhai kids! We recognised students who have consistently demonstrated our Tawhai School values every single day throughout Term 1 and Term 2.

These children are true role models, showing us all what it means to be respectful, responsible, resilient, and to act with integrity. Their dedication makes our school a better place for everyone. (see photos attached)

#### **School Board Elections**

Election Pilot has been communicating with our community about the School Board Elections. You will have received some general information and a nomination form via email.

Can you please check your spam/junk box if you are not receiving this information and pop by the office if you have any further questions.

**AED** - Rachel Evans from Wellington Free Ambulance had been given an AED by Precinct to donate and very kindly offered it to Embracing Hearts, who donated it to Tawhai School. HeartBeat very generously donated the lockbox for the AED. Please see the attached photo.

# Staffing Update

A fantastic new teacher has been appointed to work in Room 11, Sean Robertson, who will be starting in Week 5.

We would like to acknowledge Annelise Auker as she leaves us to begin her exciting journey as a mum. We'll miss her greatly and wish her all the very best.



Uhub is sharing something special with you — your child will be bringing home a Big Feelings Chatterbox.

This is a fun and practical tool to:

- Spark conversations about big feelings and wellbeing at home
- Introduce whānau to UHub and the services they offer.

Uhub would like to thank Upper Hutt City Council (Community Grants) for supporting this project.



#### **School Docs**

We welcome you to participate in the policy reviews for this term.

Pop on the link and follow the review instructions **School docs** 

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# What's coming up?

- → Week 6 August 18-22 School Photos
- → Week 6 Friday August 22 PTSG Hot Dog fundraiser
- → Week 7
  - ◆ Tuesday August 26 Art Splash Choir
  - ◆ Friday August 29 Multicultural Day
- → Week 10 The Dental Van will be on site
- → Week 10 Friday 19 September Last day of Term 3
- → Term 4 Monday 6 October

Ngā mihi nui, The Tawhai School Team