

Term 2 2025 Tipu Māia Kāhui

Update for our Principals, Teachers, Support staff, Board of Trustees, Community

Achievement Challenges

Kia ora koutou

As you will have heard, the government is disestablishing kāhui, as of January 2026. We are really disappointed in this decision, as there were so many positives with our kāhui - the leadership opportunities, the professional learning and networking, the opportunities our students had to work with other schools, etc. Our Principal group is working hard to see what this could look like for us in the future, without the funding from the Ministry. Please feel free to share your thoughts and ideas with your Principal, so they can feed those back to our group. We will keep you updated as we progress.

The cluster schools that the ASL's are looking after this year are the following:

- **Rebecca** - Hanmer, Cheviot, Rotherham, Waiau
- **Charlotte** - Akaroa, Amuri, Waikari, and Waipara.
- **Penny** - Omihi, Greta Valley, RNLS, Oxford, Hurunui

Useful links

- [Tipu Māia Website](#)
- [2025 Annual Plan](#)
- [Tipu Māia Induction](#)
- [TLF Maths Website](#)

Literacy PLD, Impact Ed PLD - Omihi and online

On Friday 9th May, Katie Tullet from Impact Ed led a group of teachers participating in the SAL PLD. During our sessions, we explored the Refreshed English Learning Area, along with the Science of Learning and the Science of Reading and Writing.

We examined a comprehensive, research-based framework for effective literacy instruction and discussed various assessment tools to track progress effectively.

Maths PLD - Rob Proffitt-White Oxford Area School

On Friday, 6th June, 41 teachers gathered for another fantastic Maths PLD day led by Rob Proffitt White. Throughout the day, we unpacked the Launch phase of a lesson using unfamiliar tasks and observed, as well as participated in, three demonstrations of the Launch and Explore phases, including one for Year 9. We then delved into the Explore phase and discussed planning for group-worthy tasks. A big thank you to Oxford Area School for hosting us.

Kāhui Leadership Day

Friday 27th June sees our second Kāhui Student Leadership Day being hosted by Oxford Area School at the Oxford Town Hall. Amanda Board (PhD in Biochemistry from UC, past student of Hurunui College) and Sharon Nicholas (Manager Boyle River Outdoor Education Centre) are coming to share their insights on leadership gained throughout their careers and life with junior and senior student leaders from our kura. Senior leaders will then run a range of fun activities for the junior students. Many thanks to Oxford Area

School for hosting the day, and to Jo Sherwood from the Hurunui District Council for sourcing our wonderful speakers.

PLG Book Study

All three Professional Learning Groups had a fantastic first session where meaningful connections were formed. Penny led a discussion based on the book *What Happened to You?* by Dr. Bruce Perry and Oprah Winfrey. Charlotte facilitated a session on *Dare to Lead* by Brené Brown, while Rebecca focused on *This is ADHD* by Chanelle Moriah. The next session is on Thursday 7th August, 3.30 - 4.30pm.

Student Competitions

Poetry - Thank you to all of the excellent applications we received. We had 196 entries in total.

Winning Haiku Poems

The waves hit the shore Booming, Splashing, rolling stone, Racing back home Caleb Page - Greta Valley	Crisp air, cold and clear Canterbury's nature thrives Old stone buildings stand Kassy Frias - Amuri Area School	Endless waves whisper Moonlight dances on the foam Secrets lost below Jonny Chambers - Akoroa Area School
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Cantamaths - This fun event will be held on Thursday August 14th at Amuri Area School. Schools are welcome to send teams from Yr 5/6, Yr 7/8 and Yr 9/10. For more information and to register your teams, please complete [this form](#), or contact Charlotte Campbell - charlottec@amuri.school.nz.

Art - Thank you for all the entries we have received so far, it is wonderful to see the creativity we have in our kāhui! A reminder these close on the last day of term, and can be uploaded [here](#). Winners will be announced next term.

Upcoming Dates for Term 3

- Friday 25th July, 9am - 3pm - Maths PLD - Rob Proffitt-White - Rangiora New Life School
- Thursday 31st July, 9am - 3pm -LSC/SENCO Hui - Woodend Community Centre
- Thursday 7th August, 3.30 - 4.30pm - PLG Book Groups Session 2
- Friday 8th August, Principal Hui - RSA, Rangiora
- Thursday 14th August, 10am - 12.30pm - Canta Maths - Amuri Area School
- Thursday 14th August, 1.30 - 3pm - Moderation - Persuasive writing - Omihi School
- Friday 15th August- Literacy PLD with ImpactED - Cheviot
- Friday 5th September, 9am - 3pm- Maths PLD with Rob - Hurunui College
- Friday 11th September, 9am - 3pm- Cultural day - RNLS

If you have any questions or would like any further information about our kāhui, please feel free to contact us.

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