



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Week 4 Term 4

Throughout 2023 the school has been addressing attendance at school. Together with the Board we now have a clear process for monitoring attendance and we have included this process below.

Also we are excited to be transitioning to a new communication tool, HERO, and this will help you all to know what the attendance rate is for your child/ren on a daily basis. You will be able to report an absence through the HERO app. The HERO app has direct access to our FB page, website and lunch provider. This will be where we put notices etc too. For the remainder of 2023 our current systems will continue to run; @school and Seesaw but we encourage you all to begin using HERO, ready for 2024.

This week it has been great to see our learners in Pod 1 exploring the story of Hatupatu and the bird woman. Check out their amazing art work below!



Upcoming Events:

4/5 Nov: School grounds closed for event

17 Nov: Teacher Only Day: New Curriculum

20-24 Nov: Yr 7 & 8 Tech Week

27 Nov: School Athletics

1 Dec: Tri-School Athletics

13 Dec: FOTS trip

14 Dec: Year 8 Graduation Dinner

15 Dec: End of Term Four

School finishes at lunchtime. Buses will be running at this time.



Welcome!

This site contains

Upper Atiamuri School's

Policies and Procedures

along with useful checklists and forms.

Remember that all of the schools Policies are available to view on our SchoolDocs site

Username: upperatiamuri

Password: fantail

School Uniform Reminder

Many of our students are not wearing correct uniform.

Bottoms are required to be black; shorts, pants, tights etc.

Tops are blue polo and blue polar fleece

Please let us know if you are in need of second hand uniform as we have some available here at school.

Also please name all uniform items.



Community Consultation

UAS needs your help!

Our strategic plan and direction for the school is in your hands!

In the past five years consultation has only captured a very small number of voices and we want to change that.

At our next Board meeting we will discuss how to make contact with all of our families in whatever ways we can.

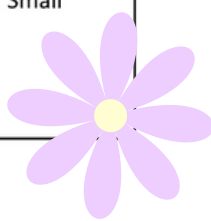
So expect a phone call or chat soon.

We recognise that our community is supportive of the school with two thirds of our families attending Matariki celebrations and all of our families supporting our school fundraiser for Cancer.

We value your input and are keen to hear it.

Principal at Upper Atiamuri

Horizon Blooms – Flowers, bouquets and Small Scale Flower patch. Local in Ngakuru
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Monitoring Attendance at UAS

Rationale: Attendance is linked to both student wellbeing and achievement
Student wellbeing and achievement are key priorities for UAS.

Daily attendance rates shared with whanau via HERO app
Regular information shared about the importance of regular attendance in newsletter, FB and HERO

Our Processes

Parents/Caregivers notify the school of any absence
HERO, Phone call or Email

YES

Information regarding absence received.
Correct code entered on to SMS
(See MOE attendance codelist)

NO

Information regarding absence received.
Marked as ? initially
Code changed to T- Truant after 3 days

80-90%

Irregular
absence

70-80%

Moderately
absent

70% and
below

Chronically
absent

90-100%

Regularly
attending

No further
action

Attendance rates
shared

Step 1: Text/email message each day of un-notified absence
Step 2: When attendance is 80% or below, contact made and barriers to attendance identified and addressed.
Step 3: No change: Attendance officer notified and visit scheduled to provide support families

Attendance rate improves
Monitoring continues