



Newsletter 14

Term 3 | Week 8

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*Kia Ora Talofa Guten Tag Bonjour Malo e lelei Kia Orana
Fakalofa lahi atu Goeie Dag Sawadee Croeso Bula Fáiite*

From our Principal

Kia ora koutou

Warmest Greetings to you all.

I hope this finds you all well.

We are getting a high number of children coming to school unwell right now. Please can you keep your children at home if they are sick. We cannot keep them here when they are unwell. I know how tricky this can be for families with parents who have to work. It is difficult, but we need to look after everyone here and when children come to school sick it means others around them end up getting sick too. Last Friday, we had as many as 270 children actually away sick. This is basically 30% of our student roll.

This week, our children head off to [NZAIMS](#). This is always a lovely time away for them, being with and competing against, children that are the same age as they are, from all over the country. We wish them well.

The Board of Trustees has approved putting **Astroturf** on our atrium area and also the area in front of Rooms 7 -11. This will be lovely. The long term view of the Board is that we need to look at putting astroturf on part of the main field as well. With the winter weather and the

rain we have had, and are likely to have, in the future we need to look at other all-weather areas for our children to play on.

The Council has now given consent for the build of the **Fale**. The materials have been ordered and so it is now a matter of once they arrive we can get underway.

Our Kapa Haka are currently working hard on their items to perform at the local **Kapa Haka Competition**. What is super special for us is that Matua Hone Tobin, who was a teacher here a few years ago, is taking the Kapa Haka for us in order to get our children up to the standard that they need to be to perform. For those of you who knew Hone Tobin in his time here, I can share with you that he has a Principal's job now. He is the foundation Principal of a new Kura Kaupapa School. This is very exciting for him and we can feel extremely proud of his achievement!

Warmest wishes to you all

Mrs Wendy Esera

PRINCIPAL

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF AND BOARD

Upcoming Events

Mahuru / September

- 4 - Board of Trustees Meeting - 6pm
- 6 - Out-of-Zone Ballot
- 19 - Pasifika Celebration Evening - 7pm
- 20 - Waitākere Zone Basketball
- 21 - Whānau Hui - 7pm
- 22 - Last day of Term 3



Whiringa-ā-nuku / October

- 9 - First day of Term 4

[School Calendar](#)

Values Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have been presented with a Bronze, Silver or Gold

Values Certificate:

GOLD

Abhishek Gotapalli
Emmanuel Emau Tupai

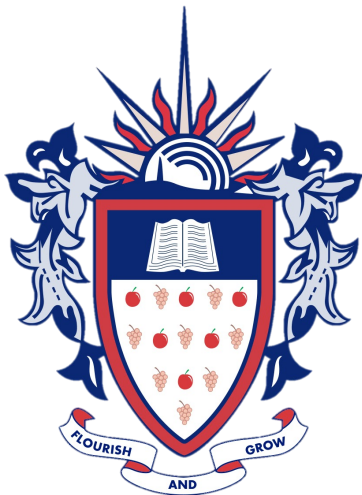
SILVER

Khalid Hussein
Riordan Mason
Harmony Atui-Buchan
Georgia Aholima
Johnny Hart-Tahi
Easter Mata'utia
Naweed Nassery
Lukas Tuffnell-Beavin
Kowhai Lintola Reihana
Linaea Hokianga-Lee Keri
Jai Ripikoi
Jahlia Eynon-Glover
Cherry Pucha
Nadia Raju
Riley Clarke
Denise Celetaria
Timo Yelash
Besan Alsadoud
Karmika Uthayasoy
Judah Buckleigh-Dickson
Daisy Gage
April Magrath
Saphyre Mehana

BRONZE

Jayleh Silbery-Martin Puhipi
Arnav Narayan
Rianna Donald
Ella Wolferstan
Effie Schwarz
Satlen Pauli Tuivaiti
Haley-Jay Ginger
Seaton Reavill
Riordan Mason
Ruben Tupe-Inu

Cherish Payne
Ruben Tupe-Inu
Etienne Maw
Anika Teofilo
Krishika Lad
Marnie McQuoid
Zoe Baker
Muhammad Umair
Aasiyah Noor
Kalo Sika
Kirsha Mani
Cooper Clarke
Hohua Puhipi-Clark
Maraea Marsh
Tanushka Singh



2024 Enrolments

A reminder that we are currently taking enrolments for 2024. Please either pick up an enrolment form from the School Office OR click [HERE](#) to use our online form. Please provide proof of your address, your child's birth certificate or passport and immunisation records (these can be attached to your online application).

Out of Zone Enrolments have now closed and the Out of Zone Ballot will be held this Wednesday 6 September.

Thank you

School Hats

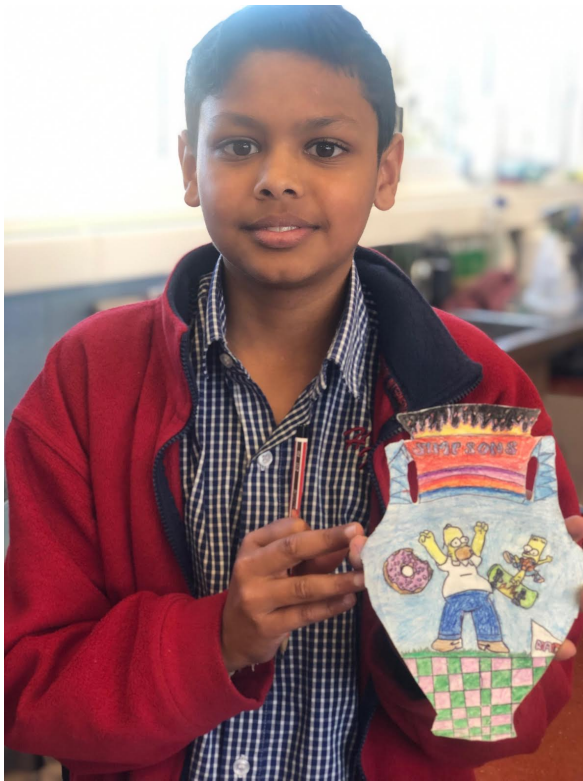
With the weather FINALLY warming up, a reminder that we have caps and bucket hats available for purchase from the School Office. These are \$16 each.



Our Creative Students

This term students in Art Tech are looking at ancient Greek pots, vases and vessels, and then designing their own contemporary version

We wanted to share some pictures of some of the completed ones. How awesome are they?!



Showcasing Te Taupaki

Rooms 15, 18, 19, 20 & 21

Room 15

This term our class has been working hard learning to write formal letters. We have been writing to our teacher, Mr G. We have also enjoyed writing a recount to ourselves when we are 80 year-olds! Our class got to research different artists and even got to try our own skills using their unique styles.

Our Maths programme has created a lot of excitement as we discover and learn about Position and Orientation.

In Room 15 we believe in shared leadership that fosters a love of learning. Utilising our unique learning styles and expertise for the benefit of all. Inviting collaboration and independent consolidation to reinforce learning for our best personal growth.

We are a fun loving class who thrive on learning being enjoyable to reach our endless potential!



Room 18

Poipoia te kākano kia puawai.

Tēnā Kōutou Katoa,

Ānei mātou ko Whakaiti,

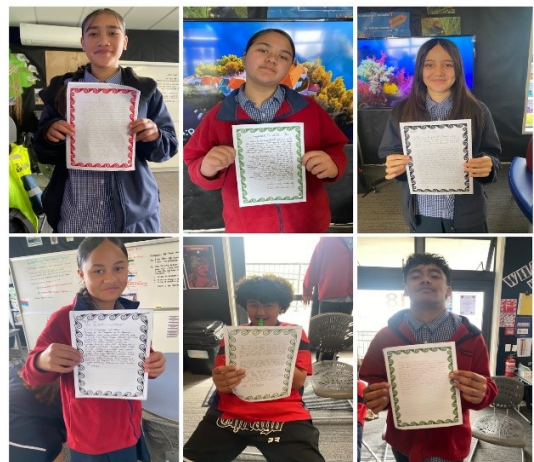
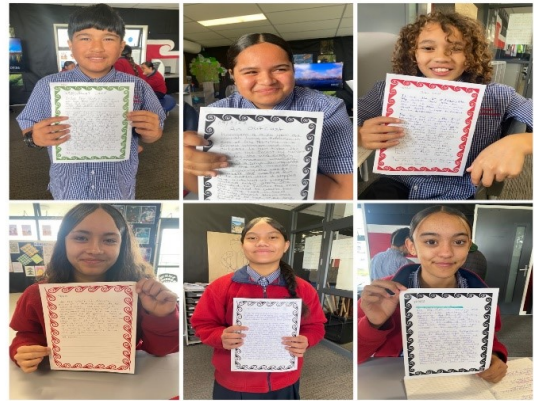
We are an akomanga (class) full of potential and amazing wairua, who are unapologetically proud to be Māori.

Recently we have been learning how to write pūrongo (recount) in tāngata kē atu (3rd person perspective). We created a character and placed them back in 1840 when Te Tiriti o Waitangi was signed. Below are some examples of our students completed recount writing pieces. We are very proud of the mahi we have produced this term.

E kore au e ngaro, he kākano i ruia mai i Rangiātea.

Ngā mihi maioha,

Nā Whakaiti o Te Whānau Moko



Room 19

Meaningful discussions were had this term with our whānau around the main Kaupapa.

Our taura (students) created our own TWM treaty based on their understanding surrounding the relationships, the commitment and the strain it would have been to uphold the mana of such a powerful document many years ago.

Pictured are the kaitiaki or guardians (birds) that have their own mana.

We've taken the 4 values of the school **RESPECTFUL**, **RESPONSIBLE**, **PREPARED** and **PROUD** and aligned them to us, as a whānau.

Whero - Mana Atua - Kupe

Kahurangi - Mana Moana - He Tiriti

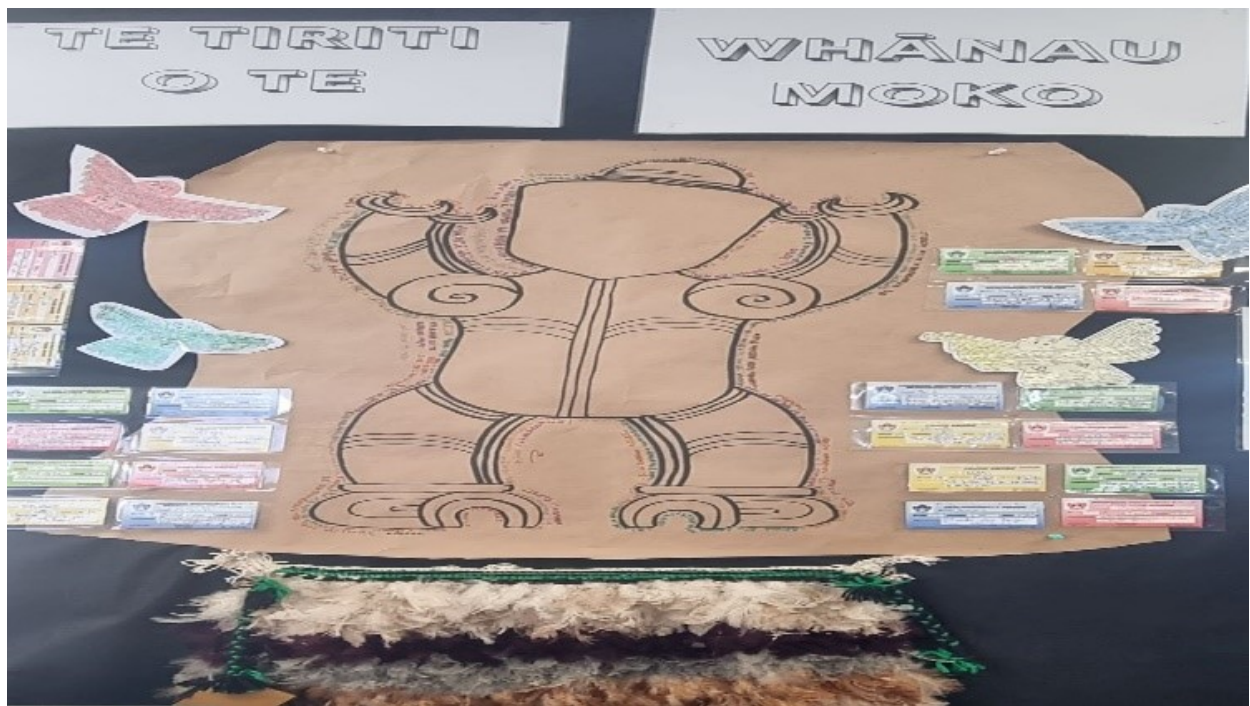
Kākāriki - Mana Whenua - Te Ahikaaroa

Koura - Mana Tangata - Te Whānau Moko

These represent "THE TIMELINE" that is currently displayed in the classroom..

Great discussions were had in regards to Tiriti O Waitangi and Te Whakaputanga O Niu Tirenī.

From there, our student's made a Treaty for themselves.



Room 20

This term, Room 20 has been learning about the history of Aotearoa. We have looked at the timeline of events before, during and after Te Tiriti o Waitangi. We have learned about many significant events, for example Parihaka and Takaparawhau (Bastion Point). We have read many articles and recounts about these different events and have written recounts from the perspective of the people that were there at the time. This has helped us to have some understanding of what has happened here in Aotearoa in the past.



Room 21

Room 21 has been working hard this term in letter writing and has made a range of informal and formal letters. Here is a few examples of hand written letters given to their loved ones.



Community Notices

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SEPTEMBER 23RD - 1ST OCT

345 METER - ALL AGE - INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE



NORTH HARBOUR
STADIUM

LIMITED TICKETS





WAITAKERE BEARS

COME & PLAY BALL!

Come and play T-Ball, Softball or Baseball. We have teams for all ages, children and adults, mens and womens! Can start as young as 3years old

STARLING PARK, RANUI

- ✓ Family orientated Club
- ✓ Teams available for all family members
- ✓ Great team environments
- ✓ Fun for all ages - get the kids out of the house!
- ✓ Mens and Womens social teams



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