

## NEWSLETTER NO. 12 - 28th June 2023

Nau mai haere mai, Greetings | Tena Koutou | Konnichiwa | Groete | Namaste | Talofa Lava | Malo e Lelei | Ni sa bula | Fakalofa lahi atu | Kia Orana | Asalam Alykum | Ni Hao |

Once again, we have raced through another term of busy and rewarding school life. As we approach the July holidays, it is only fitting that we all pause to give thanks for all that has been achieved as a school community.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou (huge gratitude) to our staff and the dedication they show in working with each of our learners as they grow in their learning and personal development. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou (huge gratitude) to our tamariki who take on the opportunities and challenges of school life with a positive attitude. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou (huge gratitude) to our families/whānau who continue to support their child / children and school in the many activities and events that take place at school. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou (huge gratitude) to our board who lead and support our school through governance.



THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR NURTURING AND GROWING THIS SPECIAL SCHOOL COMMUNITY 😊

### Matariki Rotation

To end the term, Friday 30th June hosts a rotation of Matariki activities. Our learners will move around 5 activities in Tuakana-Teina groups (older students and younger students). Each activity is for 30 minutes, with our first rotation starting at 9:30 am. A shout-out to our staff who have planned some awesome experiences for our learners.



Come and join us celebrate Matariki 😊



### Zero Waste

Last week our learners were involved in the Zero Waste Education (ZWE) programme delivered by Vicki. Different units each focussing on a specific solution to our waste problem were delivered across the school: Resource Sustainability (Room 1); Reuse Unit (Room 2); Is that Really Rubbish Unit (Room 3) and Compost Unit (Room 4).

This free Council programme enables our tamariki to investigate the link between the earth's natural resources, the products they use and see around them, and the resulting waste that pollutes our environment.

### Fundraising Appreciation from Cross Country 😊

Our learners love 'BIG TRUCKS'! They arrived! Very happy learners! They were so excited when they first arrived - they didn't even want to get them dirty 😊



### Pyjama Day - Join the Pyjama Day Fun on Friday 30th June

We are raising funds to support families with a child in hospital (Ronald McDonald House Charities). Support our learners by getting involved, wearing their pyjamas (Oodie, dressing gown) and donating a gold coin. Let's get silly Whakamārama and enjoy the comfiest day of the year. We can't wait to see everyone in their comfiest attire.



# 'Growing a Positive Learning Attitude'

## Garden to Table - 21st June 2023

Room 2 has loved 'Garden to Table' this term. Teachers, 'Garden to Table' specialists and volunteers have noticed the growth in their confidence over the garden and the kitchen. Well done Room 2!

Our next challenge is to integrate the curriculum into the garden and kitchen activities as effectively and seamlessly as possible. Monday 31st July hosts curriculum integration professional learning and development for our teachers. We are very excited!

As an excellent location for the WBOP and an example worthy of sharing, we have been asked to showcase our programme from time to time - this is a credit to everyone involved; ngā mihi nui ki a koutou.



HUGE THANKS to our volunteers for making this happen. The photos say it all 😊🌱 Tēnā rawa atu koutou.

## Fresh Moves 2023

Fresh Moves has become an event that our learners eagerly anticipate - an integral part of our Arts Curriculum. The increased confidence in our learners identity is a reflection of the values outlined in our school curriculum, values that are strongly held and articulated, values that enable our learners to thrive and grow as they move through the school.

Tonight, Rooms 1 and 4 learners take the stage at the Baycourt Community and Arts Centre for the 'Fresh Moves 2023' dance festival - a much anticipated and enjoyed part of Term 2. Our learners have been working hard to learn their routines and it is going to be a great show! Good luck to our dancers. We are very proud of you!

Thank you Miss Johnstone and Miss Wallace for preparing our learners - they are full of energy and enthusiasm. They are ready to own the stage. Thank you parents, caregivers and whānau for supporting and encouraging our learners - you make a difference!

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## Parent / Adult Conversations

Parents, at times we may sometimes forget that our children, our tamariki, are listening. We may forget that sometimes they are taking in all the information around them, even when we think that they are not paying attention.

Let us be mindful of the conversations we have in front of our children. Let us be mindful of the conversations they should be hearing or not be hearing. Let us be mindful that our words and actions have a powerful impact on our children.



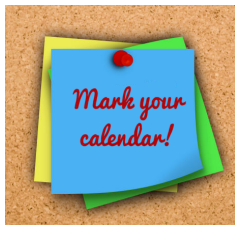
"Take care of our children. Take care of what they hear, take care of what they see, take care of what they feel. For how the children grow, so will be the shape of Aotearoa."

Dame Whina Cooper  
Photographer: John Stone

## School Assembly

Our assemblies aim to present aspects of current classroom learning and recognise the efforts of our learners with class certificates. All parents and whānau are welcome, and encouraged to attend.

Our last assembly for Term 2, 2023 is this Friday 30th June - we look forward to seeing you 😊



## Parent Evening: School Vision and Values

With a growing and changing school over the last 6 years, we are taking the time to check in with parents, whānau, staff and students with our school vision and values.

Mark your calendar for Wednesday 16th August (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm) and help shape the future of our school. Finer details to follow.

## ICAS Reminder

Whakamārama School will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS competition this year. The competition is open for students in Years 3-8 that demonstrate an aptitude, a natural ability, a strength, in an academic area. This year Whakamārama School has selected Mathematics, English (reading) and the Spelling Bee. You have until **17 July 2023** to consider whether you would like your child to participate, and register your child through the ICAS parent portal. In April, a letter was sent out to parents. Please do not hesitate in contacting the school office if you would like the details of the competition forwarded to you for more consideration.



## Year 1/ 2 Funsticks Programme

Fun Sticks hockey development programme is being offered for Term 3. Modules will be at Ōmokoroa Point School: Thursday 20 July @ 3.15pm - Thursday 24 August. The cost of the programme is \$23.00

If interested, please register at:

<https://www.tgahockey.co.nz/community-engagement-1/fun-sticks-2023>

## Year 3 / 4 Hockey Hub

Term 3 hosts a further 6-week programme of hockey for Year 3 / 4 students. The season begins the first week of Term 3 and ends the week finishing 23 August. If this sounds like something for your child, sign up for Term 3: <https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/265235>

## Yummy Apple Stickers

Our school is registered in the Yummy Fruit Company school sticker promotion. School families are encouraged to collect the YUMMY stickers off their fruit and collect the YUMMY cut out labels from bags of

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fruit (each label is worth 10 stickers). In Term 3 all collected stickers can be handed in to the school office and redeemed for sports equipment. How are the sticker collections going?

## SHARING SAMPLES OF OUR WRITING TALENT

What am I?

Dashing, racing, through the sky

Zoom! Crash! Boom!

I am as rocky as a mountain

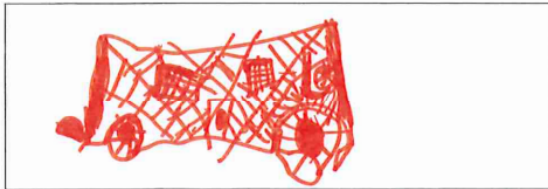
My life is a race

Crazily crashing into everything

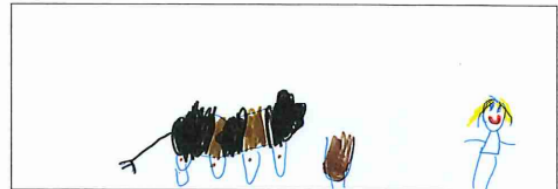
What am I?



*By Sammy, Year 5*



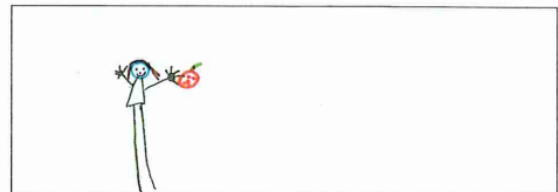
Cairos can camp in a cool camper.



Delia's dog digs down.



Harry was hungry in the huge house.



Ayla ate an angry apple.

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I'm at the beach. The light blue sea is very salty. It tastes like salt and lemon. I can see the dogs running quickly on the sandy beach. The dogs smell like salt and they stink. The bright sun is shining on the light blue sea. The sun looks like a volcano ball.



*By Isla, Year 3*

## **Dogs at the Beach**

As the dogs play the waves crash on the soft soggy sand.

Grainy sand layers the beach like a carpet. Soft, squelchy sand sways in the water. Golden brown sand stays hidden beneath the waves. Wet and wild, it glimmers in the sunlight. The dancing, soft sand uses the waves as cover from the sunlight.

The waves fall like soldiers on the beach. Crash! Racing each other to shore, the waves move quickly. Tumbling and tall they crash on the shore. Waves cover the sand like a blanket. The wet salty water rages around on the soft, soggy sand.

The smell of wet dogs fills the air. Excited and energetic, the dogs zoom around the beach. As waves tumble down, the dogs run and jump around them. Splash! Splosh! The dogs jump up and down in the water.

The dogs can't wait to go back.

*By Max, Year 7*

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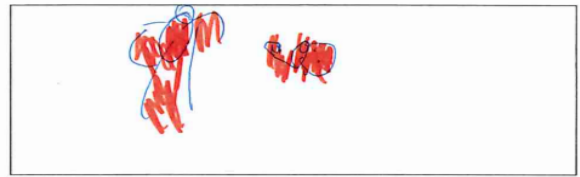
Kurt climbed a cool cat.



Maddie made a marvellous monkey.

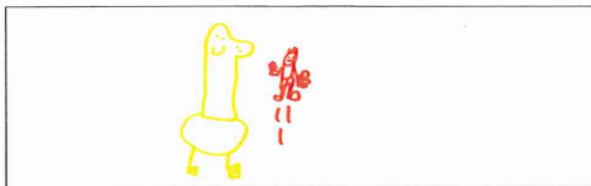


Willow will walk on Wednesday.

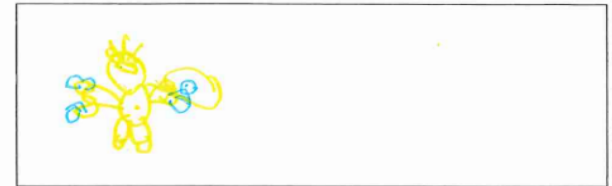


Forrest can find fish.

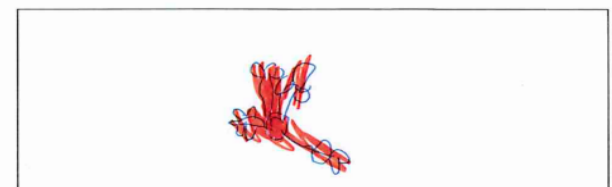
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George jumps over the gigantic giraffe.



Eben is eating eggs.



Wolf went for a walk.

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## Happy Holiday Break

From the look of the attendance statistics and the tired eyes around the school, I think everyone is looking forward to a restful school holiday break. Have a wonderful break with your child / children and we look forward to seeing you next term.



**Congratulations to the following students who received certificates at assembly**

**We are proud of the way you are living and learning with our school values and virtues**

ROOM 3 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
<b>Week 8 16th June</b>	Felix A	Great! Felix has a super attitude to solving maths problems. He enjoys learning about 'numbers'. Ka Rawe1
	Jamie A	Super! Jamie is enjoying learning about Numbers - Super! He is noticing patterns - Yay!
	Ayla	Ka pai! Ayla is focusing on solving tricky maths problems - Yay! Ayla likes to know about 'numbers' Super duper!!
	Willow	Ka pai! Willow can sound out words (to spell them) on her own - Yay! She will reread her writing to ensure it makes sense. Fabulous!
ROOM 2 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
<b>Week 8 16th June</b>	Xavier	For being a super reader - Xavier you have worked hard to make some huge improvements in reading - keep it up!
	Flynn	For demonstrating curiosity by being an interested learner and asking questions.
	Indhie	For being a focused and thoughtful reader - you are always ready to talk about what you have read.
ROOM 4 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
<b>Week 8 16th June</b>	Johnathan	For displaying the Value of Curiosity. You are constantly wondering, solving problems and asking thought provoking questions. Keep being interested in the world around you, Jonathan!
	Ollie	For striving to achieve goals and produce top quality and neatly presented work. Ka pai, Ollie!
	Reon	For taking a keen interest in your learning, asking relevant questions and accepting a challenge with a positive attitude. Tino pai rawa atu, Reon!
ROOM 1 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES		
<b>Week 8 16th June</b>	Connor	Ka pai tō mahi! Good Work! Congratulations to Connor for thinking carefully about his audience in writing. Keep it up!
	Destiny	He whetū koe! You are a star! Congratulations to Destiny for showing great work ethic and a positive attitude in her learning- especially in maths!
	Caitlin	Kei te whakahīhī au ki a koe! I am very proud of you! Congratulations to Caitlin for contributing thoughtfully to her reading group discussion. Mahi pai!

## SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD

Please keep yourself up-to-date with the school newsboard that comes out fortnightly in the newsletter or on the school website

PIPIRI / JUNE	
Wednesday 28th	Fresh Moves Performance Night
Thursday 29th	Technology Yr 7 & 8 - Wear your school shirt and covered in shoes
Friday 30th	Pyjama Day - Fundraiser for Ronald McDonald House
Friday 30th	Assembly 2.15pm
Friday 30th	Term 2 Ends
HŌNGONGOI / JULY	
Monday 17th	Term 3 starts
Monday 24th	Yr 7 Boostrix Vaccinations
Tuesday & Wednesday 25th & 26th	3 Way Conferences
Wednesday 26th	Garden to Table Room 1

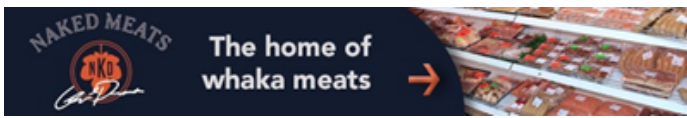
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Monday 31st July	Teachers Released: Movewell / Integrated Moving Day with Healthy Active Learning initiative
<b>HERE-TURI-KŌKĀ / AUGUST</b>	
7th - 11th	Maths Week
Tuesday 15th	Years 3 & 4 Hockey Festival
Wednesday 16th	Parent Evening - School Vision & Values Consultation 6pm-8pm
Tuesday 22nd	Years 5 & 6 Hockey Festival
Tuesday 22nd	Board Meeting 6pm
Monday 28th	School Photos
Thursday 31st August	Marae Visit - Tawhitinui
<b>MAHURU / SEPTEMBER</b>	
Friday 8th	Bay Conservation Field Trip
11th - 15th	Te Wiki o te reo Maori
Monday 18th	<b>TEACHER ONLY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Tuesday 19th	Board Meeting 6pm
Thursday 21st	Grandparents Day
Friday 22nd	End of Term 3
Monday 9th October	Term 4 starts

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