

## NEWSLETTER NO. 13 - 25th July 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 |

Kei te pēhea koutou? How are you all? We hope that rest, relaxation, good friends, family, whānau and laughter were enjoyed across the school break 😊 A huge warm welcome back to school. It is great to see our learners back and ready for an action packed term of learning.

### Health Curriculum Feedback

Currently we are gathering your thoughts and ideas about our Health Curriculum. Your input and suggestions will provide valued feedback, information and ideas that will help us make informed decisions as we all strive to provide the best possible learning environment for our tamariki. Thank you parents that have completed the survey. If you have not already done so, PLEASE take the time to complete. The more voices we have, the more insight we have into what our parent community values as important.



### 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. Calling all parents to unite with us on Wednesday 16th August (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm). Over a complimentary wine / beer and nibbles, help us shape the future of our school. To support the planning, **please RSVP by Friday 11th August (a notice was sent home).**



### Matariki Rotation

To end the term, Friday 30th June hosted a rotation of Matariki activities. Our learners moved around 5 activities in Tuakana-Teina groups (older students and younger students). Our learners explored the significance of kite making (Manu tukutuku); discussed the significance of weaving in Māori culture and wove a wishing star (Hiwa-i-te-rangi); undertook an online Matariki scavenger hunt; and learned about the nine stars of Matariki and what they represent. What a lovely relaxed morning of Matariki learning. Our students were relaxed, engaged and SUPER comfy in their PJ's. Thank you parents that united with us 😊





# 'Growing a Positive Learning Attitude'

## Fresh Moves 2023

Room 1 and 4 learners took to the stage on Wednesday 28th June at the Baycourt Community and Arts Centre for the 'Fresh Moves 2023' dance festival. Our students displayed the values of kotahitanga (unity), hiringa (perseverance) and māia (confidence) as they prepared a dance themed "Tuku Iho - Legacy" and then performed in front of an audience of 500. Whakamārama - you were amazing! You should all be so very proud. From the smiling faces below, you can see that this is a highlight of the year.

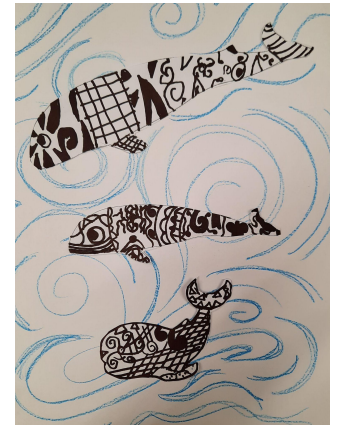


## The 3 Whales

Tauranga Moana has many stories and all these stories belong to ALL of Tauranga Moana. Through our learners experiencing storytelling from our place, we aim for our young, and the not so young, to have the opportunity to hear them as they grow up in our area.

The three whales story belongs to the iwi of Tauranga Moana - how the Papamoa hills came to be. The story was introduced to all our learners while uniting in Room 1 for the afternoon when 3 Way Conferences were on. Many of our learners have been to Papamoa and a few of our learners have visited the Papamoa Hills.

In Teina-Tuakana groups we decorated father, mother and baby whale with patterns. We will be working on an ocean scene to put them on. Can your child tell you the story of the three whales?



## Most Improved Swimmer 2023

Each year the Te Puna / Bethlehem Lions Club presents the most improved swimmer award to our kura. Congratulations to this year's recipient, Madsen (Maddie) 🏆 Maddie received a medallion in which to remember her committed effort during the swimming season and her name is now an addition to the trophy hanging proudly in the school office entrance. Thank you Lions, what a wonderful cause!



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## Seasons for Growth

'Seasons for Growth' is a programme run by Growing Through Grief. It is for children / tamariki who have experienced change, loss and grief. The educational programme aims to strengthen the social and emotional wellbeing of children who are dealing with significant life changes such as separation, death, moving school/home, illness and other changes impacting on daily life.

Tracey Maris, the coordinator of 'Growing through Grief' has offered to run the programme in our school if there is enough interest from parents. The children's programmes operate in small groups of similar aged participants in weekly sessions throughout a school term. We would look at running the programme in Term 4. If you would like your child to be considered for the programme or would like to know more, please do not hesitate in contacting me: Natasha Greatorex 027 887 4600 / [principal@whakamarama.school.nz](mailto:principal@whakamarama.school.nz) Tracey has left resources with me that I am able to share with you if interested.



## School Roll 2024

It is the time of the year where we need to start thinking about our school roll for 2024. **If you know that your child will not be attending Whakamārama School next year, can you please let the office know.** To support decisions and organisation, it is important for us to have an indication of numbers.

## Professional Day of Learning (School Open)

All our teachers will be involved in a professional day of learning on Monday 31st August. As a Healthy Active Learning school, for the first part of the day we will be exploring the Movewell Resource, integrated learning, brain boosters and Māori games. In the afternoon, the Garden to Table team will be providing support on how we can strengthen our integration of Garden to Table across the curriculum. Mr Smith, Mrs Settle, Mrs Kenny and Mrs Dassler will be releasing our teachers for this exciting opportunity.

## 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 first assembly for Term 3, 2023 is this Friday 28th July - we look forward to seeing you 😊

## Compliments, Concerns, Complaints

The start of a new term is always a great opportunity to reiterate with parents / whānau that we are here for you. We encourage a positive partnership between home and school and believe that good open communication is vital. Do you need some help with something that is happening at our school? Do you have a compliment you want to pass on or share? Do you have a concern or question about something? We are always happy to talk about any of these things so that we can work to meet the needs of our learners and their families / whānau in the very best way that we can. We want to hear from you if things are not going well so that we can work together to resolve them. We would also love to hear from you about things that are really making a difference for you and your child/ren!

## PTA News

The PTA applied for a \$2000 grant from the Ōmokoroa Community Trust to go towards purchasing two 3x3 gazebos - and their application was successful 😊 These have arrived after some invaluable work from the PTA in choosing colours and having our school name and logo added. We look forward to using these when the time comes. Thank you Whakamārama School PTA. Thank you Sharlene for your work on this grant.



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# 'Growing a Positive Learning Attitude'

## PTA Fundraiser - LIMITED TICKETS - DON'T MISS OUT



Whakamārama School PTA welcomes the community to join them for a fundraising event at the Whakamārama Hall, Friday 25th August 2023. The event is a screening of The Super Mario Bros.

This event will run from 5.30pm to 8.00pm approx. The kitchen will open at 5.30pm and the movie screening starts at 6pm. Early bird tickets are available at \$6 each per adult and child.

Visit: <https://events.humanitix.com/whakamarama-pta-movie-night-the-super-mario-brothers-movie> to find out more details and to book your tickets.

## Pyjama Day

We had fun joining Pyjama Day Fun on Friday 30th June. After huge efforts from our learners across Term 2, what a comfy way to end the Term - PJ's, Oodies, onesies and dressing gowns. We raised \$77 to donate to Ronald McDonald House Charities, who support families with a child in the hospital. Thank you 🌸



## Show Day

Show Day has been calendared for **Saturday 28th October 2023**. Show Day is an annual event that our school, our kura, always looks forward to.

If your child is keen to participate in the lamb judging, now is the time to start considering whether you want to source an orphaned lamb. Other animals that have made their debut at Show Day are goats, chickens, ducks, guinea pigs, rabbits and even more! If you are new to the school, and want to find out a little more, please do not hesitate in contacting the office.



**Yummy Apple Stickers** - Keep collecting the stickers 😊

**CONGRATULATIONS** to students who received a Principal Award or a Class Award at our whole school assembly on Friday 30th June. Pai te mahi!



### ROOM 3 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES

<b>Week 10</b> <b>30th June</b>	All of Room 3	Thank you to all our 'super' Learners!
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### ROOM 2 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES

<b>Week 10</b> <b>30th June</b>	William	For being an engaged and helpful learner during Garden to Table
	Claudia	For showing curiosity by interested in new learning and asking thoughtful questions
	Isla	For being a super writer - you are beginning to take risks and try new things with great success!

### ROOM 4 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES

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<b>Week 10 30th June</b>	Kingston	For displaying the Value of Curiosity by taking a keen interest in your learning, persevering and keeping a smile on your face. Ka pai, Kingston!
	Ethan	Ethan, you are such a clever learner with so many interesting ideas to share. Keep shining - you are amazing! Tino pai rawa atu, Ethan!
	Taylor	For thinking deeply about your learning tasks and asking questions to learn more. Clever thinking, Taylor! Tino pai!

## ROOM 1 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES

<b>Week 10 30th June</b>	Mason	Kei runga noa atu koe! You are awesome! Congratulations to Mason for showing amazing perseverance in writing. Keep it up!
	Terence	He whetū koe! You are a star! Congratulations to Terence for having an excellent attitude in writing. Keep up the great work!
	Natarlya	Ka pai tō mahi! Congratulations to Natarlya for having an amazing positive attitude and being a great role model at Fresh Moves.

## SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD

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

### HŌNGONGOI / JULY

Tuesday & Wednesday 25th & 26th	3 Way Conferences
Wednesday 26th	Garden to Table Room 1
Thursday 27th	Yr 7 & 8 Technology - Remember your shoes and school t-shirt
Monday 31st	PTA Meeting at Helen Travers home. Ph 0274147141 for details
Monday 31st July	Teachers Released: Movewell / Integrated Moving Day with Healthy Active Learning initiative <b>SCHOOL IS OPEN</b>

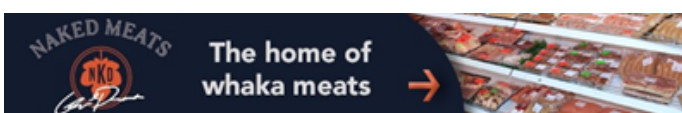
### HERE-TURI-KŌKĀ / AUGUST

Thursday 3rd	WBOP Intermediate Netball Competition
Thursday 10th	WBOP Primary Netball Competition - Year 6
7th - 11th	Maths Week
Tuesday 15th	Years 3 & 4 Hockey Festival
Wednesday 16th	Parent Evening - School Vision & Values 6pm-8pm
Tuesday 22nd	Years 5 & 6 Hockey Festival
Tuesday 22nd	Board Meeting 6pm
Monday 28th	School Photos
Thursday 31st August	Marae Visit - Tawhitinui

### MAHURU / SEPTEMBER

Thursday 7th	Yr 7 & 8 Technology - Remember your shoes and school t-shirt
Friday 8th	Bay Conservation Field Trip
11th - 15th	Te Wiki o te reo Maori
Thursday 14th	Yr 7 & 8 Technology - Remember your shoes and school t-shirt
<b>Monday 18th</b>	<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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**WHEN:** Tuesday 1 August 2023

**PROGRAMME FOR EVENING**

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[principal@katikaticollege.school.nz](mailto:principal@katikaticollege.school.nz)

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