

NEWSLETTER NO. 2 - 15th February 2021

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 |

Hot Off The Press - COVID LEVEL 2 - Please keep vigilant

With the news yesterday that there are community cases in South Auckland it is important that every one of us is following Ministry of Health guidelines. **Our region has now moved to Alert Level 2.** If you or your child is unwell please do not come into school. If you or your child/ren have been advised to have a COVID test please alert the school and follow recommendations re self-isolation. We are very hopeful that NZ will not need to enter into Level 4 lockdowns but we must all do our best to keep each other safe. We will be encouraging all students to wash/sanitise their hands regularly and will send any student home who is unwell. **During Level 2 we ask that parents do not come onto the school grounds. If you must come into school please ensure you have signed in or used the covid tracer app.** The Whanau Meet and Greet evening scheduled for this Wednesday has been postponed until next week. We thank you for your understanding at this time.

We are now into Week 3 of the term and are very happy with the way our 4 classes have settled into their learning. The school roll has now reached 80! Welcome to all our new enrolments and their whanau. Stationery is being issued this week so as soon as you have forms completed please send them along to Sharon in the office and she will ensure your child gets their stationery. This term Sharon is in the office 5 days a week from 8.30 - 12.45pm. (Yay :)

Road Safety



Thank you to everyone for your care around dropping off and picking up your children safely. We are very aware of how challenging pick-up and drop-off is, particularly when it is raining. Of concern was a close call we had last week before school, when a little one got separated from his family crossing the road and a vehicle had to stop as he ran out across the road to catch up. Luckily the driver was observing the 60km speed limit and was being super careful and was able to stop in time.

Please be vigilant and if possible use the drive-in bay to drop your children off in the morning. If you are crossing the road from the hall, enforce holding hands with little ones at all times.



Introducing our new road wardens - Mika and Holly
Look for them in the afternoon when they are signalling 'safe to cross' with green cones or 'wait a car is coming' with red cones.



A community preparing and empowering lifelong learners who are confident to achieve and make a difference.

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Meet and Greet - POSTPONED - NOW WEDNESDAY 24th FEB 5-7pm

Come along next Wednesday to meet the teachers, bring your togs for a swim - this is a chance to meet the teachers and BOT members - to catch up with new and returning families and have some fun together.



Room 1 students practicing the art of collaboration during Math Problem Solving.

Last week our Year 7 and 8 students started their Technology classes at Katikati College, our music teacher Mrs. Rossoman started the weekly class music lessons and Tammy Bruce from Wild About NZ visited to make plans for the WANZ group in Room 1 to start their environmental programme. This week we are excited to start our kapahaka lessons with Tumunako.

Rippa Rugby - 3 teams set to start next Monday 22 February

Thank you to team members who got their forms in on time and to those wonderful parents who have offered to coach or manage our teams - we cannot enter teams without your support so it is very much appreciated. Team names have been chosen today and a team newsletter will be coming home tomorrow. We are looking forward to a great Term 1 season.

Dropping Off & Picking Up - School Parking

This year with growing student and staff numbers, to keep everyone safe, we ask that parents no longer use the staff car park. Parking is available at the Whakamārama Community Centre across the road.

A bus bay is located outside the school for pick up and drop off only. If you choose to use the bus bay for pick up at the end of the day, please remain in your vehicle and the teacher on duty will direct your child / children to you for boarding. For student safety, we ask that you avoid using the kindergarten driveway / space next to the driveway as a drop off and pick up point for your child / children. A friendly reminder that the bus bay is for pick up and drop off only.

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School Information

The parent information page on the school website has been updated to include an A-Z of the information that parents / whānau are usually wishing to know. Take the time to have a read over in preparation for 2021. We are happy for you to let us know of any other information that you think may be relevant to our families and whānau.

Visit <https://www.whakamaramaschool.com/information-for-parents.html>

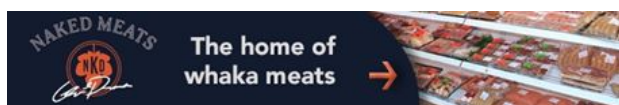
SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD

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

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| Friday 29th January | TEACHER ONLY DAY |
| Wednesday 3rd February | 2021 TERM 1 STARTS |
| Wednesday 24th February | Meet & Greet Picnic 5pm |
| Thursday 18th February | Yr 7&8 Technology Classes - Please wear school shirt & covered shoes |
| Friday 19th February | School Assembly 2.15pm in Rm 1 - Join us! |
| Thursday 25th February | Yr 7&8 Technology Classes - Please wear school shirt & covered shoes |
| Tuesday 2nd March | Small School Swimming Sports *P |
| Thursday 4th March | Yr 7&8 Technology Classes - Please wear school shirt & covered shoes |
| Friday 5th March | School Assembly 2.15pm in Rm 1 - Join us! |
| Wednesday 10th March | BoP Girls Cricket Rainbow Cup *P |
| Thursday 11th March | Yr 7&8 Technology Classes - Please wear school shirt & covered shoes |
| Friday 12th March | Bop Girls Cricket Rainbow Cup Postponement Day |
| Friday 12th March | Tall Poppies Swim Sports Yr 7 & 8 |
| Friday 19th March | School Assembly 2.15pm in Rm 1 - Join us! |
| Friday 2nd April | Good Friday - School Closed |
| Monday 5th & Tuesday 6th April | Easter Monday & Tuesday - School Closed |
| Friday 9th April | School Assembly 2.15pm in Rm 1 - Join us! |
| Monday 12th April | HPV Vaccinations |
| Tuesday 13th April | BoP Zone Swimming Champs |
| Wednesday 14th April | WBoP Swimming Champs |
| Friday 16th April | Last Day of Term 1 |
| Monday 3rd May | Term 2 Starts |

*P Parent support required

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COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD



Acorn Foundation Junior Art Awards & Exhibition 2021

Tauranga Art Gallery is excited to announce our inaugural Acorn Foundation Junior Art Awards and Exhibition, scheduled for April 2021. With the wonderful support of the Acorn Foundation, our vision is to create an exceptional art experience for young creative minds, whilst engaging and inspiring our local community. The Acorn Foundation Junior Art Awards is open to children between 4 – 14 years of age who live in the Bay of Plenty region. The theme for the 2021 Art Awards is **Te Taiao | Nature**.

Entries open **9am, Monday, 11 January 2021** so get ready kids! If interested call into the school office for entry form.



LEARN TO ROW 2021

7 FUN FILLED WEEKS OF LEARNING TO ROW
FOR YEAR 8 AND UP

TRY OUT OUR FANTASTIC SPORT AND
MAKE NEW FRIENDS

WHEN - GIVE IT A GO 1PM SUNDAY 7, 14 AND 21 FEB
And if you like it sign up for the
Learn to Row Program: Sundays 3-5pm
28 February - 11 April

CONTACT
To register your interest www.baycoastrowing.co.nz/register
or for any queries, please email Alison at
secretary.bopcoast.rowing@gmail.com



WWW.BAYCOASTROWING.CO.NZ



COST - LEARN TO ROW FROM 28TH FEB - 11 APRIL
\$70 for 7 weeks



WHERE
Bay Coast Rowing Club
369 Wairoa Road,
Tauranga





Give it a Try Triathlon

Omokoroa Domain
Sunday
28th February 2021

- *Every entrant will get a Triathlon T-Shirt
- *Heaps of spot prizes including a children's bike from Koops Cycles
- *Every entrant gets an amazing goody bag
- *Race wristband
- *First 5 of each race receives medals

Check in: 9:00am - 9:45am
Race Briefing: 10:15am
First Race: 10:30am
Spot Prize Giving: 12:30pm after the last race
Cost: \$25 per child.
(£30 on the day)

Entries Close: Thursday 25th February 2021

Register Now
<https://www.pahoia.school.nz/>

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