NEWSLETTER NO. 5 - 3rd April 2024

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 |

We hope you all enjoyed the Easter break with family and friends. What a treat we had with the beautiful autumn weather 🜞 Welcome to week 10 and our final newsletter for Term 1.

Parents, caregivers and whānau, thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Thank you for working closely with us to achieve our vision of 'Actively involved learners, empowered and thriving' / 'Ko te manawa \bar{u} , kia rere, kia tīna' Manawa \bar{u} (student with determination and resilience - supported by whānau) kia rere (to be empowered to thrive) kia tīna (may it be everlasting for generations to come).



Our learners have thrived, and have made the most of the learning opportunities and possibilities the term has offered. We look forward to another exciting term of learning after the holidays. We wish all our school families a safe term break.

Year 7/8 Technology Classes

With the dedicated planning and delivery of our Year 7 / 8 technology programme from Alison and Tom, our learners have had a great first term of learning. In food technology they got started with healthier cooking by making a pick 'n' mix smoothie, they explored the attributes of a healthy and tasty meal, and learned how to make a healthier fast food option. In hard tech, our students learned the skills of using a hydraulic drill press, screwing, measuring and evaluating during the construction of a gutter board, planter box and bird feeder. Awesome job Alison and Tom



North Cluster Swimming Event

Well done to Ryan, Taylor and Reon for their efforts at the North Cluster swimming event that took place on Tuesday 26th March. Against some strong competitors, our team did extremely well and should feel very proud of themselves. The day was a great experience for all involved. Thank you Geoff and Helen for supporting our learners to attend.

Ryan attained first in the Year 6 boys Butterfly event, and will be progressing to the WBOP Swimming Championship on the 10th April. We wish you all the best Ryan.



Winter Sports

Funsticks Hockey (Year 1 / 2) and Hockey Hub (Year 3 / 4) registrations are due by the end of the week. If you have not already informed us that you would like your child to play for the season, starting Wednesday 15th May, please let us know as soon as possible.



We have a Year 6/7/8 netball team that will play at Mount Maunganui on Saturdays. They will play in the Year 7 division. If your child has participated in training sessions with Debbie, and has developed an interest to join the team, please let us know.

We have insufficient numbers to make a basketball team, however if your child is interested, please contact the school office and we will make contact with a neighbouring school to try and find a place on a team.

Do not hesitate in contacting us if you have any questions around winter sport or would like support in getting your child involved; whether it be for what the school is currently doing or needing help to access other options that may be available.

Garden to Table

A fabulous session for Room 2 at Garden to Table on Wednesday 27th March. The kitchen crew cooked up a storm - roast pumpkin soup, crunchy lemon muffins and bread sticks. It was a little wet for the garden crew to be outside, but they had a super inside session learning about worms. They looked at worms and other creepy crawlies up close and talked about what roles these play in our gardens.





Rippa Rugby

The term 1 Rippa Rugby modules came to an end on Monday 25th March. A huge thank you, ka mihi nui, to everyone who played a part across the season - whether it was through administration, coaching, managing or supporting and encouraging; you all made a difference for our learners. Thank you to our learners for uniting together and being positive team players

School Lunches Thank you to Rebecca and Lana for cooking our sausage sizzle last Friday, nothing better than a yummy sausage and an ice block to end the week. We raised \$180 towards purchasing reading books for an identified area of need. We have some great titles heading our way for teachers to use with their students. Total cost \$681.

With the efforts of collecting across 2023, this term we had a delivery of 26 small balls and a parachute for some parachute play. Thank you to all our 'Yummy'

the office for children to use if they have stickers on their school lunch apples.

Garden Post Spring Bulb Fundraiser

Yummy Apple Stickers

Thank you to all the families who supported the spring bulb fundraiser. We raised \$270 towards purchasing reading books for an identified area of need.

Happy planting everyone. Thank you Sharon for the time and energy you put into organising this fundraiser. There is no doubt that there will be some fantastic looking gardens this upcoming spring.

Attendance

collectors.

The school would like to thank parents and whanau for fostering the importance of attendance and ensuring that every day counts towards learning 😊 🤗. The board's goal, and the Ministry of Education's goal, is ākonga attending school regularly (90% attendance, which means only having one day off every fortnight). Days absent, days late, it all adds up! Keep up the super effort everyone!

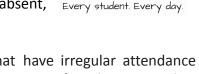
We are currently meeting 2024 targets, but with a shift for students that have irregular attendance (attending more than 80% up to 90%), the school would increase the percentage of students attending regularly significantly - and what a great celebration that would be for our learners. The evidence shows that attendance is directly related to how well learners achieve. Attendance is a shared responsibility; we've got this Whakamārama 😊

Measure	2024	2026
	Target	Target
Percentage of ākonga attending school regularly (attending more than 90%, an	70%	75%
average of 9 days a fortnight)		
Percentage of ākonga who are moderately absent (attending more than 70% up	6%	4%
to 80%, missing two to three days a fortnight)		
Percentage of ākonga who are chronically absent (attending 70% or less,	5%	3%
missing three or more days a fortnight)		

	Attendance data: 1st February - 28th March 2024								
	Regularly attending		Irregular absence		Moderately absent		Chronically absent		
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
All	70	70.7%	24	24.2%	4	4%	1	1%	

'Actively involved learners, empowered and thriving

Get collecting now for 2024! We have until September to collect. The more stickers we collect, the more FREE sports gear. Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores. There are more sticker sheets in the office if you need them, and there are sticker sheets hanging in







Māori	7	46.7%	6	40%	2	13.3%		
Other	4	80%	1	20%				
Pākehā	59	74.7%	17	21.5%	2	2.5%	1	1.3%
Boys	47	75.8%	14	22.6%	1	1.6%	0	
Girls	23	62.2%	10	27%	3	8.1%	1	2.7%

CONGRATULATIONS to students who received a class award at our whole school assembly on Friday 28th March. Mīharo!

	COCNUTION	
	1	N CERTIFICATES
Week 9	River	Super role model - settling into school so well River is checking: does the reading look right, sound right and make sense?Great!
28th March	Thomas	Super 'group work' focus during reading and Thomas is learning to reread his writing - Wow!
	Chloe	Chloe is learning to 'ask a learning question' - Fabulous! Go for it Chloe.
	Louie	Focusing on the writing task - Louie can reread his writing. Super duper!
	Millie	Millie is a conscientious group participant - She is ready to have a go! Super focus.
ROOM 2 RE	COGNITIO	N CERTIFICATES
Week 9	Cohen	You are a super reader - you look closely at what you read and are always ready to talk and answer questions about it.
28th March	Cairos	For showing Manawa-ū (curiosity) by doing your own research to find out more about the Bryder's whate
	George	You are a thoughtful reader - you look closely at what you are reading and think about what the text is telling you.
	Forrest	For showing Manawa-roa by having a positive learning attitude and always giving new things a go!
	FCOGNITIO	N CERTIFICATES
Week 9	William	For challenging yourself to include a range of figurative language features so your writing is interesting an entertaining for the reader. Ka rawe, William!
28th March	Micah	For carefully planning and organising your ideas so you can begin writing in paragraphs. Fantastic! Tino pa Micah!
	Oliver W	For approaching challenging learning with a positive attitude and persevering to complete tasks to a high standard. Tino pai rawa atu, Oliver!
ROOM 1 RE	COGNITIO	N CERTIFICATES
	Ethan K	Ka pai to mahi. For being willing to challenge himself in maths and showing excellent perseverance.
Week 9	Tipene	He whetū koe. You're a star! For showing manawa-roa - Fantastic confidence when he presented his play.
28th March	Chad	Tau kē tō mahi! Awesome work! For showing excellent perseverance during maths. Keep it up!
PRINCIPAL	CERTIFICAT	FS
Week 9 28th March	Lauren	I have noticed you role-modelling manawa-u to others around you. You approach learning with enthusias and a 'can-do attitude'. You consistently try your best and are motivated to achieve your goals - AWESOM LAUREN! Please continue! Miharo; Wonderful :-)
	Zikai	Zikai, every day you approach learning with a huge smile - AWESOME! You are a happy and positive member of our learning community. You love learning and give everything your best. You are kind and caring. Never stop! Miharo; Wonderful :-)
	Kingston	Kingston, you role model manawa-nui to others around you. You are kind, caring and always willing to he others. Thank you! You show manawa-tina by being inclusive and working well with others. Never stop! have enjoyed watching you work hard towards your goals. Miharo; Wonderful:-)
	Forrest	Forrest, every day you approach learning with a huge smile - AWESOME! You love learning! You smile and laugh along the way. Your eagerness and interest in everything that you do does not go unnoticed. I love the passion that you have for reading. BOOKS! Never stop! Miharo; Wonderful :-)
	Evan	Evan, you role model manawa-nui to others around you. I noticed your kindness when you offered your help to someone in need. Over continuing with a game; you willingly put this person first and cared for them. A wonderful personal attribute. Never stop! Miharo; Wonderful :-)
	Lula	Lyla, you love learning! You are curious about the world. I have noticed you sharing lots of wonderful idea
	Lyla	to classroom discussions. You ask great questions! Never stop! Miharo; Wonderful:-)

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

Paenga-whāwhā / April					
Friday 5th	ARGOS Gymnastics Years 5 & 6				
Friday 12th	ARGOS Gymnastics Years 3 & 4				
Friday 12th	Assembly - Come join us! 2.15pm				
Friday 12th	END OF TERM 1				
Monday 29th April	Term 2 starts				
	Haratua / May				
6 - 11 May	Sign Language Week				
6 & 7 May Mon & Tues	3 Way Conferences				
Thursday 9th	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - wear covered shoes				
Friday 10th	School Assembly - Come join us in the Hall!				
Tuesday 14th	Board of Trustees Meeting 6pm				
Thursday 16th	Interschools Amazing Race				
Friday 17th	Pink Shirt Day - Gold coin donation				
20 - 24th May	Road Safety Week				
20 - 24th May	Tech Week				
Thursday 23rd	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - Wear covered shoes				
Friday 24th	School Cross Country 1pm followed by Assembly - Come join us!				
Tuesday 28th	Small Schools / Tal Poppies Cross Country (PP 31st)				
Thursday 30th	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - wear covered shoes				
Pipiri / June					
Monday 3rd	King's Birthday - School Closed				
Tuesday 4th	North Cluster Cross Country (PP Friday 7th)				
Wednesday 5th or Thursday 6th	Fresh Moves (To be confirmed)				
Thursday 20th	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - Wear covered shoes				
Thursday 23rd	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - Wear covered shoes				

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"Ko te manawa ū, kia rere, kia tīna"

Minis (5 to 7 years) - Saturday mornings

Contact team@omokoroafc.co.nz or Paul Crimmins for more info