



Newsletter

Monday 11th April 2022

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Kia ora tātou

Term 1 ends for us **this Thursday 14th April at 3pm** so we wish everyone a safe and relaxing term break, and look forward to seeing our students and staff refreshed for Term 2, starting back on Monday 2nd May.

Student reports will be sent home tomorrow, Tuesday. If you have any queries please contact your child's teacher, **as we are not able to hold our normal parent/teacher conferences at the moment.**

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

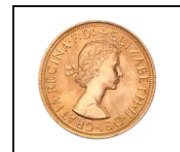
Coming up:	
Mon 11 Apr	BoT Meeting 5.30pm
Tue 12 Apr	Reports sent home
Thu 14 Apr	PTA mufti day – gold coin
Thu 14 Apr	Sausage sizzle
Thu 14 Apr	End of Term 1
Mon 2 May	Term 2 Begins

2022 Start Date & School Terms
Term 1: Wednesday 2 February to Thursday 14 April
Term 2: Monday 2 May to Friday 8 July
Term 3: Monday 25 July to Friday 30 September
Term 4: Monday 17 October to Wednesday 14 Dec

Moanataiari School Bank Account:
ANZ Thames 01 0455 0108122 01

PTA Mufti Day

Thursday 14th THIS week our PTA are raising funds for garden items with a gold coin mufti day. Come dressed in mufti and bring your gold coin donation to our school office.



Sausage Sizzle this Thursday

We are holding a sausage sizzle **this Thursday 14th April** at lunch break, \$2 each. Please place your order at the kitchen window **by 9am** Thursday.

Teen Esteem Here in June – Year 7 Students

Using interactive learning techniques combined with creativity and group discussion, this workshop helps Year 7 students to identify their unique inner strengths and values. This equips them with the tools to succeed as they face the challenges of stepping up and becoming senior students.



Thames Valley Primary Schools Rippa Rugby

Thank you to those people who have returned their forms. We will be entering a team in each division, however we do not have sufficient transport or coaches as yet. Please contact the office asap if you can help with transport on Wednesday 18th May.



Netball

Please return your completed registration form to Mrs Saunders. If you did not get a form please see her. This is available to any Year 1-8 boys or girls and will be starting next term (after school, normally on a Thursday night, but this is yet to be confirmed). We have sent through to the netball club all entries we have received so far.

Gymfest

Trainings will start next term for this event which will be towards the end of Term 2 (date is yet to be confirmed). Any parent wishing to help train please see Mrs Saunders. There will be a meeting for interested students at the beginning of next term.



Year 8's National Young Leaders Day

A National Young Leaders letter went home today with all Year 8's. Please return it to Mrs Saunders ASAP to ensure we get tickets before we miss out on the early bird special and they sell out. This event is in Hamilton on **Thursday 12th May**.

Te rerenga korero:

Ka kite anō

See you again

Ka kite āpopo

See you tomorrow

School Holiday Reading Challenge - Read to Succeed!

In primary school, among other skills, your child is taught to read. While they will also learn many other skills, how well they read will impact them every day for the rest of their life. If they are unable to read well, they are likely to have a much harder road ahead of them in order to achieve their goals and dreams.

Here's how you can help your child. Read to your child. A picture book that takes only five minutes or a chapter book they can read to themselves, gives your child a huge advantage in learning how to read. If you can't read well, have them read to you!

This week, your child is bringing home a Holiday Reading Challenge - to read a picture book per day or to read every day for 20 minutes over the school holidays. It doesn't matter how fast or slow they read or if the books are too easy. Those things will improve over time. What is important, is that they read every day which builds a good reading habit because the only way to get better at reading, is to read, and read, and read some more.

To complete the challenge, you can get books from the Book Shed at school. These can be kept forever or swapped as you're ready. Books from our school Book Shed are free. They will be topped up once a week during the holiday period.

The Thames Public Library has books too. Children are not billed for overdue books, (just damaged or lost ones as long as they were issued on a child's library card).

Childrens' books are for sale at Op Shops and The Seagull Centre. They usually cost \$1 - \$2 each.

If you can't access books, magazines, comics, manga, non-fiction (facts) and newspapers will also do the trick although the child might not find the topics quite as interesting.

Your child will be bringing home books from the school library too!

***Please support this reading challenge these holidays.
Help them Read to Succeed!***

TIME TO UPDATE!

Our school uses The Skool Loop App to communicate and send important information. Please check your app store to ensure your phone is running the latest version and receiving all school news.

The app undergoes regular maintenance and updates throughout the year. Check your app store to ensure your phone is running the latest version!

Available on the App Store | Skool Loop UPDATE | Get it on Google play

Reminder: If you need a paper copy of our newsletter from next term please contact the office.

Community Notices

Dennis Millard, the Chief Executive of Trees for Survival, has agreed to speak at a combined Thames and Paeroa Rotary Club meeting on May 2 2022 at Gastronomics Restaurant in Thames. The meeting will commence at 6pm.

Everyone is welcome to come along.

Chris Webb 021 02343936
Speaker Coordinator Thames Rotary Club

Moanataiari After-School Care

Bookings can be made through our school office (868 6504) or by contacting Donna directly on 027 547 9407.

Casual or regular bookings will cost \$5 per half hour.

Please note our new pricing will start in Term 2.

We are Getting the TEA Ready!

Mad Hatters, Tea Parties, Mad Parties, Unbirthday's, Night games, Wide Games, Amazing Food, Activities, Friends, Fires and FUN!

KVCC will ensure a safe, clean environment for confidence in parents and enjoyment for our campers. To do this well, we will be LIMITING THE NUMBER OF CAMPERS FOR EACH CAMP. Camp is only a couple weeks away *so please register soon to avoid disappointment*. We have extended the Jr. Wonderland to age 10 (ages 7-10) to get more campers a spot, since our SR CAMP is almost full.

You will have your spot guaranteed when you place your \$40 registration fee, or paid in full amount in our account.

If you have any inquires please email the office at office@kvcc.org.nz

Jr. WONDERLAND April 19-22, 2022 \$160
Sr. WONDERLAND April 25-29, 2022 \$190

* Family Discounts available for 2 or more campers/household
*\$20 extra weekly fee for Special dietary needs

Cybersafety Alert

Huggy Wuggy, a razor-toothed teddy bear character, sings about 'hugging and killing' in videos that have gone viral among children.

There have also been reports in other schools that students are recreating the game in the school playground, imitating the characters' actions and whispering scary dialogue in other students' ears.

Please monitor your child searching for or viewing the potentially harmful content. Use your filtering tools to block the video-sharing platform TikTok and carefully monitor any use of YouTube for education. Ensure to regularly review your filtering data and make ongoing adjustments to minimise access to harmful content.



A HUGE THANK YOU to Tree Shapes for all of the wonderful garden mulch donated for our gardens.

We really appreciate it, and our plants will love it!

**Rachel & Katie's
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ANZAC DAY

If you would like to join us at the ANZAC parade please contact Julie at our school office by Thursday this week.