



2023 Start Date & School Terms

Term 3: Monday 17 July to Friday 22 September

Term 4: Monday 9 October to Friday 15 December

Coming up:

Wed 16 Aug	Assembly 2.15
Thu 17 Aug	Daffodil day mufti
Thu 17 Aug	School finishes at 12 noon
Fri 18 Aug	Mid-term break – school closed
Mon 21 Aug	Mid-term break – school closed
Tue 22 Aug	Back to school
Wed 23 Aug	Kuranui Bay planting
Wed 23 Aug	Year 4-8 speech competition
Fri 25 Aug	School spring disco
Tue 29 Aug	Thames Valley Cross Country
Fri 1 Sep	Thames speech competition
12-15 Sep	Senior camp at Waitawheta

Kia ora tātou

Please note that we will be finishing school this **Thursday at 12 noon** for our teachers to participate in professional development.

Then we will be **closed on Friday this week and Monday next week** for our mid-term break. I hope there is plenty of sunshine for you to relax in over our long weekend break.

I would like to bring to your attention the digital safety presentation at Thames High School on Monday 21st August at 5.30pm in our community events section as this will be very helpful and timely.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki



On **Thursday 17th August** dress in yellow – or however you like - and bring your gold coin donation into the office for us to pass on to the Cancer Society for their daffodil day fund raiser.



**** Please note ****

**School will close at 12 noon
THIS WEEK
on Thursday 17th August**

Term 3 2023 Mid-Term Break

It's finally here at the end of this week - our mid-term break will be from **Friday 18th August to Monday 21st August**. This gives us all a four-day long weekend with time to take a break and refresh as there are no public holidays in Term 3.



MOE Attendance Interventions

The Ministry of Education has advised us that any students who **have 5 days unjustified absence** in a term will now need intervention recorded against them. This information will be sent to the Ministry automatically each week from every school.

Students with 3 days or more absent with illness will need to bring a doctor's certificate to the school office.



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Here's some great writing from Room 6:

Cross Country

I just wanted to run and get it over with! I ran the first two laps around the school but by the time I got to the seawall I was done for! I walked the whole seawall, not even a little jog here and there. I ended up coming tenth out of my age group which was pretty good. After, Dad picked me up early and we got an ice cream, which was just what I needed. Both of my YOUNGER BROTHERS did BETTER THAN ME!!! Which makes me feel so good about myself. They did have to do less laps though.

By Niya Welsh

Cross Country

Already puffed on my first lap, my heart was pumping like nothing, my throat hurt like never before. My nose was stinging like I'd been stung. But you know what hurts the most? It's watching people passing you. On my second lap I felt like giving up would be the best idea, but I didn't, I pushed myself harder and harder.

Getting onto the seawall, the biggest lap of all, I tried to catch up to my age group. Passing all the boys, I tried not to breathe because I was huffing and puffing. As I got closer to the finish line, I sprinted my hardest. When I got there I could finally breathe, but bad news came. I didn't make it to into the interschool, but I didn't care because I knew I tried and that's what matters the most!

By Savannah Morgan-Bevan

Cross Country

"On your marks, get set, go!" As Mr. Brock clapped the blocks the people in my age group started running as fast as they could, but I didn't sprint. I jogged because I couldn't get too tired at the start. My age group, which was eleven year olds, had to run once around the school and once around the seawall.

I started to get a little tired when I reached the corner so I stopped jogging for a few minutes and started walking. My strategy was jogging around the school then when I get to the seawall I would start running a bit faster. I wasn't gonna use up all my energy on the seawall, I was saving all my energy for the finish line.

Finally, I reached school again. I started walking to slow down my breathing, I was almost at the finish line so I started jogging again. Then I saw what seemed like the finish line! I sprinted as fast as I could. My friend, Khloe and I ran so fast to try to beat each other, luckily I beat Khloe by a few inches. Sadly, I didn't place 1st, 2nd or 3rd. I came 5th place but that was alright, at least I tried my best.

By Katelyn Sem

Te rerenga korero:

Tāria I konei *Please take a seat*

School Speech Competitions

On **Wednesday 23rd August** our students will be performing their speeches for the judges. Winners in each age category will then compete at the Thames Speech Competition on Friday 1st September.



Cross Country

Congratulations to those students selected to compete at the Thames Cross Country event at Parawai that was held today. Special mention must go to these competitors who placed in the top 10 for their age groups:

Izzy Parkinson, Cassidy Bain, Malachi Petersen, Seungho Cho, Zen Lamont, Denzel Corry, Caitlin Kenny, Isabella White, Pearl Newton, Alivia Takiwa, Josh Le Roux, Josh Dennis, Lilly Donaldson and Max White. Well done all of you!



Many thanks to everyone who helped with supervision and transport today.

Scholastic Book Club

Orders for brochure No.5 close on **Friday 8th September.**



After School Care

Contact Donna on 027 547 9407.

\$7 per hour.



Fees can be paid in cash at the office or directly online into our account no. 01 0455 0108122 01

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SPRING DISCO

25 AUG **FOOD AND DRINK FOR SALE** **6:00**
8:30

IN THE COURTYARD
\$5 ENTRY PER CHILD

*Parents will need to stay with their children if they are a Junior
(Rooms 4 & 5 students)*



Homebased childcare available in the Thames area. Spaces available for children to join our little team of awesomeness. Megan has been an early childhood educator for 13 years and believes in nurturing every child and help them to flourish. As part of our weekly curriculum, we attend many community groups such as Playcentre, tumble tots and library time. To discover more about the opportunities I offer, call JeMMA's for more details and/or arrange a visit to meet me. I am more than happy for you to talk with the other parents I currently care for to help you with making your decision. You can reach JeMMA's on 0800536627. To learn more, click the link: <https://www.iemmas.co.nz/educators/megan/>

THE 2023 GENERAL ELECTION

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A STEW WANA TRUST KAUPAPA

TAURANGA STEM Fest IS BACK!

SUNDAY 01 OCT 10AM-4PM

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ROTARY CLUB OF THAMES ASKS FOR YOUR VOLUNTARY SUPPORT



**Rotary Club of Thames
is taking on
The Restoration of Moanataiari
School Playground icon
"Thomas the Tank Engine"**

The old rusting engine is the joy of the younger school children and needs some repair and paint can you help by
Donating Business Resources



**Leading the Restoration is the
Rotary of Club of Thames**

Can your business help by
Donating Business Resources such-as
The use of Safety Fencing
Steel sheet cut to size and folded
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Donation of Money

Contact Peter Project Lead 0800 890 015
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Rotary
Thames

QUIZ NIGHT

Hot Food

SATURDAY 26th Aug 2023

6.00 pm. Registration 6.30 Start

Thames Bowling Club

512 MacKay Street

only \$5 per person. Teams up to 6.

Also book...
Sept. 23th

Raffles
Great prizes
Dont miss out!

Register your team now!
or come along and join a team

email:- thebrowncows@xtra.co.nz mob. 027 499 5445

Social Media, Cyber-Bullying & Digital Safety

Presented by 

With Senior Constable Brian Connors
School Community Officer 

Monday 21 August

5.30pm



Location:
Thames High School Hall
Adults Only

An evening of information for teachers, parents and whanau
about the impact of Social Media and Cyber-Bullying on our Taiohi
followed by a Q&A

18+

This evening is restricted to adults only

18+

Thames High School

Te Kura Tuarua o Te Kauaeranga



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Central Kids offers low hourly rates with 20 hours FREE from 3 years of age, we ensure a quality education for every child.

We provide quality early childhood education where children can play, learn and grow in a happy environment.

- Qualified teaching staff.
- Environment that inspires learning through play and supports inclusion.
- Ngahere (bush) excursions every Monday with our eldest tamariki (4-5 year olds).
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- WINZ subsidies.

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Nau mai, haere mai
Call in and see us today!

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Moanataiari School cross country results:

Group	First	Second	Third
5YO Girls	Makenzie Clothier	Ella Parkinson	Ava Smith
5YO Boys	Thehan Madurachchari	Beauden Higgs	Griffin Dunlop
6YO Girls	Addisyn Bain	Margot Donaldson	Anne Quinn
6YO Boys	Armaan Bahia	Ezra Petersen	Joseph Welford
7YO Girls	Emma Quinn	Tajdeep Kaur	Alexia Russek
7YO Boys	Thomas Leach	Joe Clarke	Rajvar Brar
8YO Girls	Izzy Parkinson	Cassidy Bain	Sophie Takiwa
8YO Boys	Malachi Petersen	Seunghu Cho	Zen Lamont
9YO Girls	Jessica Morgan-Bevan	Lily Roath	Theodora Reese
9YO Boys	Denzal Corry	Denny Wallace	Tyson Taurua-Stoneham
10YO Girls	Caitlin Kenny	Isabella White	Mila Tull
10YO Boys	Felix Walsh	Vann Ryane	Geonho Cho
11YO Girls	Pearl Newton	Bianca Garland	Alivia Takiwa
11YO Boys	= Josh Dennis & Josh Le Roux		Te Koha Stockman
12+ Girls	Lilly Donaldson	Savannah Corbett	Julieanna Sem
12+ Boys	Max White	Ben Ashby	Chris Kilian