

Newsletter

Monday 5th August 2024

Kia ora tātou

It's great to be back at school after my recent bout of Covid, and I look forward to catching up with many of you at our whakatau this Friday.

Welcome to Jess Hamblyn who is working in Room 7 as part of her teacher training until the end of this term.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

Moanataiari Cross Country Day

Juniors

5 to 7 years old students will compete in our school cross country event on **Tuesday 13**th **August**, starting at **10am**.

Seniors

All 8 years old and upwards (from the start of this term) will run in our school cross-country competition on Tuesday 13th August at 11am.

If you are able to help on this day, please see Mrs

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We will select our top 3-4 runners from each age group to compete at the Thames cross country event on Wednesday 21st August at Parawai School.



Supporters are welcome to come along and encourage students on their run.

2024 Start Date & School Terms

Term 3: Monday 22 July to Friday 29 September

Term 4: Monday 14 October to Tuesday 17 December

Coming up:

Tue 6 Aug R9&6 camp meeting 5.30pm
Wed 7 Aug Planting at Kuranui Bay
Wed 7 Aug PTA meeting 5.15pm

Wed 7 Aug Thames High School open evening

Fri 9 Aug Whakatau 1.30pm

Tue 13 Aug Junior Cross Country at 10am
Tue 13 Aug Senior Cross Country at 11am

Wed 14 Aug St Johns for all rooms
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Fri 16 Aug R7 Sausage sizzle & Milos
Wed 21 Aug Thames XC at Parawai
Thu 22 Aug Waikato Gymfest

Tue 27 Aug School speech competition

Term 3 2024 Mid-Term Break

Please note on your calendar that our mid-term break will be from Friday 23rd August to Monday 26th 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.



Whakatau This Friday 9th August at 1.30pm

Everyone is invited to join us **on Friday 9**th **August at 1.30pm** for our Whakatau to formally welcome our new students and families to our school.

We would very much appreciate a plate of food from our existing families to go towards an afternoon tea for our new families. Food can be left in our school kitchen before 12 noon. *Many thanks*.





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Room 3 Camp

Room 3 will be going on camp at the beginning of Term 4. Any parents interested in participating, please fill in a police vetting form asap. More information and confirmed dates to follow shortly.



Room 9 & 6 Camp Meeting

Families of students in Room 9 & 6 are invited to attend a camp meeting **tomorrow night, Tuesday 6th August at 5.30pm in Room 9**. There was a letter given out last week asking for help at two proposed market dates and to bring an item for a Father's Day raffle. Only seven students have returned their forms. We will make a decision tomorrow night at the meeting if we proceed with any of our fundraising.

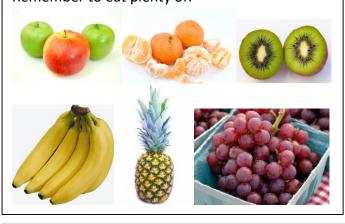
Due to only 6 items being brought in for the Father's Day raffle we have decided to cancel this fundraiser for our camp. There is still outstanding chocolate money. Please return this before the end of the week!



Know Your Nutrition

Nutritious food can help us to fight off disease so eating plenty of fresh fruits, vegetables, nuts and seeds can provide us with more immunity, energy and brain food for learning. Also, we need to keep hydrated with water to help us filter out toxins.

Remember to eat plenty of:



Waikato Gymsports

We are proud to announce that 5 of our gymnasts have made it through to the Waikato Schools Gymfest in Hamilton on **Thursday 22nd August**. Congratulations to Alivia Takiwa, Kora Lamont, Lily Roath, Caitlin Kenny, and Zara Johnson. Mrs Saunders has texted the families of these students and asks that you reply to her.

End of year junior trip

A big thank you to NZCT (New Zealand Community Trust), who have kindly granted us funds to cover the cost of the bus for our end-of-year trip. The NZCT partner venues in the Thames Coromandel region are the Royal Oak Hotel (Thames) and Star & Garter (Coromandel).

Thank you also to everyone who has supported our fundraisers: sausage sizzles, Hot Cross Buns, and Oxford Pies.

We appreciate all the support and are looking forward to the trip next term. Further information will be sent out to our junior families soon.





Planting at Kuranui Bay

This Wednesday our school will again be working to demonstrate our kaitiakitanga.

Our whole school will be assisting Andrea Whitehead (TCDC Coastal Restoration Coordinator) and Matthew Allnutt (TCDC Parks & Facilities Officer) with a planting at Kuranui Bay.

This is the 3rd planting that we have helped with at Kuranui, it is an important part of taking care of our local environment and building connections. Please make sure that children wear covered shoes, if possible and bring a jumper on Wednesday. We look forward to a beautiful morning of mahi at the beach.



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School Policies

All of our school policies are available for viewing on SchoolDocs under "Moanataiari School".

Te rerenga korero:

Haere mai ki konei

Come over here

Community Notices



Free Girls Clothing and Toys

We have very kindly been given a selection of size 6 clothing items. If anyone would like them please ask at the school office.





Te manaaki Tamariki

To whom it may concern

Looking for support and donations for our most vulnerable Are you able to help?

Our Mission: Providing care for our most vulnerable children during times of need.

Our Vision: We are committed to aiding children entering foster care and those confronting unforeseen and challenging circumstances within the Thames Ward Coromandel. Our objective is to furnish them with essential supplies, predominantly donated and often recycled, including clothing, toys, food and other essentials. This endeavour aims to alleviate poverty and create a positive impact on the community we serve. Subsequently, once the initial aid has been extended, we will refer them to relevant organizations responsible for ongoing assistance.

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To get a Donation Tax Credit Receipt please use: The Thames Rotary Charitable Trust Bank

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After conducting extensive research, we identified a significant need within the Thames Ward and the Coromandel region for our charitable mission. The heartening discovery of the community's willingness to contribute donations and volunteer their time further fuels our commitment to this cause.

Our services cater specifically to children aged 0 to 10 for now.

We will accept donated new and used clothes, toys, and furniture, focusing on purchasing ONLY those items that are hard to obtain as donations or should be given out new, such as underwear or socks.

To maintain transparency and safeguard the integrity of our mission, we will not distribute monetary donations or accept donations from questionable sources.

Founding Members: Monika Lange, Maggie Jury and Ngaire Gedye