

Newsletter

Monday 3rd February 2025

Kia ora tātou

We will be holding a tsunami practise this Friday 7th February, so please ensure children bring suitable footwear for walking up the hill at Moanataiari Creek Road during this practise.

We also have our **Family Fun Night this Friday**, so come along and join in the fun and games from 5pm.

Members of our Māori community are invited to attend a whanau meeting on Wednesday 12th February at 3.15pm in Room 8.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

Attendance at School

The Government is focusing on attendance at school. As it is a legal requirement for all school aged children to attend school, the Ministry of Education is now collecting **daily attendance data** from each school via school management systems.

We will be working closely with attendance services this year. Any students not attending school for any reason other than health or bereavement issues may be contacted by the truancy officer. Any holidays may only be taken outside the school terms and on public holidays.

Please notify our school office of any student absence **by 9.15am** either by phone (8686504), Skoolloop or Edge. We need to know that our students are safe, so please tell us if they are going to be away from school.

2024 Start Date & School Terms

Term 1: Thursday 30 January to Friday 11 April Term 2: Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June

Coming up:

Tue 4 Feb Y7 vision testing
Wed 5 Feb PTA meeting 5.15pm
Thu 6 Feb Waitangi Day holiday

Fri 7 Feb Tsunami practise

Fri 7 Feb Family Fun Night from 5pm Tue 11 Feb Y7&8 start tech at THS

Wed 12 Feb Whanau meeting 3.15 – 4pm

Fri 14 Feb Whakatau at 1.30pm Mon 24 Feb BoT meeting 5.30pm

Family Fun Night

Everyone is welcome to come along **this Friday** 7th February to join us for fun and games from 5pm until 7pm. All children must be supervised by an adult.

Sausages and juicies will be provided. Our pool might be up and running by then, so bring your togs just in case.



Whakatau Friday 14th February at 1.30pm

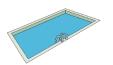
Everyone is invited to join us **on Friday 14**th **at 1.30pm** for our Whakatau to formally welcome our new students and families to our school.

Food will be provided.



Swimming at School

Our swimming pool is currently undergoing some urgent repairs, but we hope to have it available for use by Friday.



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Year 7 Vision Testing

All Year 7 students will have their vision tested tomorrow morning by the vision technicians. If you do not want your Year 7 child to be tested, please send a note along tomorrow morning.



Sun Hats

During Terms 1 and 4 children must wear uniform navy blue sunhats when outside the classroom. Children not wearing sunhats will play under the shade sail.



Hockey Big Day Out

A notice went home on Friday about our Hockey Big Day Out on March the 12th. Entries have to be in by Friday the 14th of February.

This means we have to have all our teams, managers, and transport sorted by then, so could you please make sure your child/children's notices are back by this coming Friday the 7th of February.

There is a cost of \$4.00 for each student entry to be paid to the office please.

We appreciate you support as we couldn't do it without you. It is a fun day and great for the whole school as students from year 1-8 can take part. Thank you.



Te rerenga korero:

Nau mai hoki mai Welcome back

Tēnā koutou katoa

Greetings to you all – hello everybody

Community Notices

Moanataiari After-School Care

Our after-school care service will continue to run from our school kitchen and Room 4 library. The service is structured with homework supervision and assistance as well as fun activities with our very experienced and qualified teacher aide, Donna Weir. Bookings can be made through our school office (868 6504) or by contacting Donna directly on 027 547 9407. Casual or regular bookings cost \$7.00 per hour per child.



Roadworks on Hauraki Road

Roadworks will take place on Hauraki Road, Turua from 10th February for approximately 2 months, which may cause traffic delays and/or redirection.



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