



### 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:

Mon 24 Jul	BoT meeting 5.30pm
Wed 26 Jul	Science roadshow for seniors
Wed 2 Aug	Whānau group meeting 3.15pm
Fri 4 Aug	Whakatau 1.30pm
Thu 10 Aug	Beginners evening
Fri 11 Aug	School cross country day
Thu 17 Aug	School finishes at 12 noon
Fri 18 Aug	Mid-term break
Mon 21 Aug	Mid-term break
Tue 22 Aug	Back to school

*Kia ora tātou*

*This Wednesday our seniors are off to the science roadshow in Thames. This is a great opportunity for hands-on experiments and information to inspire our students.*

*A huge thank you to Lisa Donaldson and Shirley (volunteer in our school) for coaching our Gymfest participants who competed in the interschool competition on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. We have 3 gymnasts who have been invited to compete at the Waikato Gymfest on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August - congratulations to Caitlin Kenny, Lily Roath and Zara Johnson.*

*Congratulations to Max White who is playing in the Fleming Shield this year as part of the Thames/Hauraki Team. The team played their first games on Saturday. They just missed out on the first against Central Coast, but managed a win in the second against Peninsula. Good luck for the rest of the tournament.*

*David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki*

### Term 3 2023 Mid-Term Break

Please note on your calendar that our mid-term break will be from **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August to Monday 21<sup>st</sup> 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.



### Science Roadshow - Rooms 6 & 7 This Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July

Thank you to those that have given a Koha towards the cost of our entry to the Science Roadshow at Parawai School on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July.



### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Notify Us Of Your **Child's Absence** Within Seconds On Our **Skool Loop App**

#### ATTENDANCE

- Open the Skool Loop App & select Absentee
- Select a date range, if applicable
- Receive email receipt of your submission

Download **The Skool Loop App**. A simple 100% free download: In Google Play & App Store search **'Skool Loop'** & choose our school once installed.

## After School Care

Our after school care programme is very popular and sometimes we require two supervisors for the number of students. In order for us to arrange extra supervision we need to know before 12 noon on the day if casual students will be attending. Also, if your regular child will not be attending, please contact Donna on 027 547 9407.



## Basketball Exchanges

There will be a few games this term for those students representing our school in basketball. Today we are welcoming St Francis to our school, we played them last term at St Francis.



## School Photos

This year our school photos will be held on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September**. Each child will be photographed individually and in their class group. Ordering and payment information will be notified closer to the date.



## Netball Development Day

Some of our students attended the Thames Valley Years 6, 7 & 8 Development Day yesterday in Te Aroha. It sounded like a fantastic day, learning new skills, drills and warm-ups and meeting others from around the region. Here are some of the girls with past Silver Fern goal shooter Irene Van Dyk.



## Uniform Reminder

Please note that jewellery is not part of our school uniform. The only jewellery items allowed to be worn at school are stud or sleeper earrings and approved taonga.

## Netsafety Week - 24-30 July

With endless connectivity possibilities comes responsibility to use and optimise the opportunities available online, while ensuring everyone has a safe and enjoyable experience.

**Visit Netsafety Week 2023 website to download Guides, How to Report Social Media Incidents and Using YouTube Positively.**



**Te rerenga korero:**

**Timatahia tō mahi**

*Begin your work*

## Community News

### Thames Air Cadets

are recruiting for term 3! If you are 13 years old and over and keen to get into flying planes, shooting, tramping and camping with a bit of a military style teaching and keen to have a look at what we are doing then come along to our recruitment evening on 10/08/2023 at the Thames Airfield from 6:30pm-7:30pm.

Officer Cadet Leaf Wolfe, NZCF Flight Commander  
No. 37 (Thames) Squadron, Air Training Corps  
M: 02108681797

### Seeking Young Actress for Feature Film

We have an opportunity for any undiscovered 5-8 year old girls to be considered for an upcoming feature film shooting in Queenstown.

Contact Janey Hughes, Intouch Talent Agency, on 027 451 1161 for more information.

### First Kicks Football

We are still running our First Kicks Football programme for kids born 2017-2019 (4-6yr olds) every Monday afternoon at Rhodes Park from 4-5pm during the school term. This is a great opportunity for kids to give a new sport a go and what a great time with the FIFA Women's World Cup currently being played right here in New Zealand.

There is no charge for this term and players can register using this link

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/220142>

If you have any questions or would like more information please get in touch with Mark Brown, President, Thames Football Club  
021 359 285.

Te Kura Tuarua o te Kauaeranga  
**Thames High School**



# OPEN EVENING

## Monday 7 August at 6pm

We warmly welcome prospective students, their Whānau and friends to our school open night on Monday 7 August.

The evening will start at 6 pm in the school hall followed by a guided tour of our curriculum areas and opportunities. Meet our teachers and student leaders who will be available to answer all of your questions.



*Kia kōwhiri ai te piki ake, kia ikeke rawa ki te taumata*  
We grow together to achieve ones true potential

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