

Newsletter

Tuesday 28th October 2025

Kia ora tātou

Many thanks to Calvin Brown for preparing our field for resurfacing. Our main field is closed until the end of November while we get the new grass to grow.

Please note that our junior classes will run as normal this Friday, and will not be affected by our senior athletics events.

David Brock, Principal – Tumuaki

Student Learning Conferences

Student reports will be sent home on Monday 10th November, and student learning conferences will be held on Thursday 13th November.

Bookings can be made via the **Edge app**, or manually at our school office if you are not able to access the app.

Please note that school will **finish at 1pm on 13**th **November.**



Te rerenga korero:

Kei hea tō pōtae?

Where is your hat?

Haere ki te tiki i tō pōtae!

Go and get your hat!

2025 Start Date & School Terms

Term 3: Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September Term 4: Monday 6 October to Monday 15 December

Coming up:

Fri 31 Oct Senior athletics at Thames High Tue 4 Nov Senior camp meeting R9 6pm

Wed 5 Nov PTA meeting 5.15pm

Fri 7 Nov Thames interschool athletics

Sat 8 Nov Fireworks at Rhodes Park

Mon 10 Nov Student reports home

Thu 13 Nov Student learning conferences

- 1pm school finish

Fri 14 Nov Junior athletics 1.40pm
Thu 20 Nov R3&1 overnight experience
18-21 Nov R6&9 Finlay Park senior camp

20-21 Nov R7 Te Karaka camp

Thu 27 Nov Pet Day

Tue 2 Dec Year 8 leavers dinner

Senior School Athletics

Our senior school athletics are at the **end of this** week, on Friday 31st October.

The Interschool Athletics are to be held on Friday November 7th. We will be holding both the school athletics and interschool athletics at the Thames High School this year as our field is being resurfaced.

Important notice

Unfortunately, the weather put a stop to our practice at the high school today but we will still be holding our athletics competition at the high school this coming Friday, dependent on the state of their field. We will send a note home on Thursday if there is a change.

Can all students 8yrs and up (rooms 1,6,7,9 and 8 year olds in room 3) please be dropped off at the high school at 8.45 this Friday for our senior school athletics. Students can be taken home when our athletics competition is over or we will walk back to school.



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Edge Mobile App

Edge is the name of the student management system we use here at school.

Edge has an app that can be used **for reporting student absences**, and also for **booking appointments** for student learning conferences.

Please download our school app asap, Edge, available from both the Apple App Store and Google Play Store.

You'll need this app to book for the upcoming Learning Conferences on Thursday 13th November.

It's also a convenient way to view your child's school reports, and to report absences directly to the school.

Please note that our school is not currently using the Financials and Live Reporting sections of the app.

If you haven't already, download *Edge* today so you're ready to make your Learning Conference bookings! Once you have downloaded the app, look for the Moanataiari School web links and click on Appointments. This will take you to the Parent portal. From here you can book in for a learning conference.

Year 3 and 4 Rippa Rugby Tournament

Some of the year 3&4 students in room 1 are taking part in a Rippa Rugby Tournament on Wednesday 12th November at Rhodes Park.

It has a world-wide theme and each school will dress in a certain country's colours. We are waiting to hear what our country will be.

Could all permission slips be brought back to school as soon as possible and can you please complete your child's registration online. Thanks.



Senior Camp at Finlay Park 18th - 21st November

A note was sent home last week to outline the cost and the itinerary. We will be having a meeting at 6.00pm next Tuesday 4th November in room 9. We have changed the time from 5.30pm to 6.00pm. Please put this date in your calendar whether you are coming to help at camp or not as there is a lot to discuss.



Year 8 Hoodies

We need to put the order in very soon. Please complete the form that has gone home and have it returned to school by **tomorrow**, **Wednesday 29 October**.

The cost of the hoodies is \$60.00. Please pay by Friday the 15th of November.

Year 8 Leaver's Dinner

The end of the year is approaching fast and our year 8 students will be on their way to high school. The year 8 leaver's dinner is being held at Thames Golf Club on Tuesday 2nd December.

A note has gone home today with the details of the evening, and a fundraising opportunity to raise funds for the venue, photographer and decorations.



Rooms 3 & 1 Overnight Experience

Room 3 and Room 1 will be having an overnight experience on **Thursday 20th November.** Any parents interested in participating, please fill in a police vetting form asap.



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A huge THANK YOU to all of our fabulous helpers for making this such a fun and memorable day for our students.

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Community Notices



Thames High School Orientation Day for Year 8 Students Wednesday 12 November

The day will begin with a meet and greet at the front of the school at the **Wharenui at 8:45am,** and finish at approximately 3:00–3:15pm, when students can be picked up by parents or caregivers.

More detailed information will be sent closer to the time, but students should bring:

- A hat
- Water bottle
- Snacks and lunch
- A change of clothes
- A bag for their belongings

These visits will allow our team to connect with students in small groups, learn about their interests and strengths, and help them feel confident about joining us in 2026. It will also provide an opportunity to share important information about life at Thames High School in a relaxed and engaging environment.







Touch Minis

Touch skills and mini game for yr0-2.

Start date- October 23rd

Where- Rhodes Park Thames (rugby club side).

Time- 3.45-4.15pm

Cost -\$5 for the term.

Any guires contact

Mallory Hodgson -022 495 3825

Or look up Thames mini touch on Facebook

Helpers Wanted

We would really appreciate any assistance you can give to help us run our amazing fireworks event on Saturday 8th November. Please contact Julie on 868 6504 or juliew@moana.school.nz if you are able to assist. Many thanks.



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