

# Newsletter

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Kia Ora Koutou  
Greetings



Te Oranga. Well Being.

## Hiranga Resilience



### Parent Teacher Reporting Meetings

These meetings are scheduled for Monday 12th (3:30-7pm) and Tuesday 13th (3:30-5:30pm) April. The appointment forms were sent out last week.

We are encouraging parents to include their children as part of the reporting process and attend the meeting. Teachers will share their view of your child's current progress and achievements. They will outline their expectations for the period to the mid year reports.

Children like to see their parents taking an interest in what they are doing at school. The meetings are intended to be a positive experience for all concerned.

Teachers benefit from parent feedback and comments on children's activities. Likewise we find parents like to know how their child(ren) are getting on at school and what help their child(ren) may need. Finding out what some of the next steps in their child(ren)'s learning is very useful to know.

### Term 1 Upcoming Events

Mon 12 Apr

- Parent Teacher Meetings

Tues 13 Apr

- Parent Teacher Meetings

Fri 16 Apr

- Last day Term 1

Mon 3 May

- Term 2 commences



Today we took a group of students down to Farm Source to meet and korero with Tangaroa Walker. Tangaroa is a current social media influencer in the modern farming world. He is the author of the book Farm4Life. If you have a child interested in a farming career be sure to check out Farm4Life on Facebook or farm4life.co.nz.

## ANZAC DAY

The school office has poppies available for a gold coin donation.

## MATHEMATICS RESEARCH

As part of our ongoing Professional Development in Maths, Massey University is carrying out research that requires all of our tamariki in Years 3-8 to complete a survey about student engagement in mathematics. If you do not want your child to participate in this study, please see the Office for an 'Opt out' form by the end of next week.

### Room 7 and 8 River Walk Trip

Date: **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April TOMORROW**

Time: **Leave school at 11:00 and return at 1:00.**

Rooms 7 and 8 will be visiting our local river walk by the Receptions Ground in Morrinsville. Our focus is to explore our local environment and learn about some of the special places we have in Morrinsville.

We will travel by bus to the River Walk.

**Parent helpers:** Krystie Rowland, Heather Briscoe, Samantha Swetman, Casey Paraku, Jennelle van der Heyden and Emma Elliot.

#### Children will need:

School uniform

Sneakers (shoes for walking in)

School Black Warriors Jacket

Lunch and a water bottle.

## PORT WAIKATO CAMP - ROCK POOLS

Splash! Trickle of water come raining down from the sky. I shoot my head out of the salty water and take a breath like it was my last. I swim to the back of the never ending line and wait for another turn...

It feels like an eternity later but I'm at the front of the line. I jump, tuck until my knees are at my chin and tell my body "Don't backslap". The water swallows my entire body.

I kick out my legs as far as I can. Under the water, a loud POP sound pounds into my ears. I open my eyes thinking it's fresh water, but salt water floods my eye sockets. My eyes feel as if both chlorine and salt has been shot into them.

My body launches out of the water like a dolphin. I swim over to my mates and ask "Was it big?!"

**By Neko Ridling,  
Year 6, Room 3.**



## Ka Ora, Ka Ako | Healthy School Lunches Programme

We are excited to announce that our school is joining the Healthy School Lunch Programme commencing at the beginning of Term 2, Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. All our students will have a Healthy School Lunch provided 5 days a week throughout the school year.

Children will need to bring morning tea and have the option of bringing extra food for lunch. If you do not wish your child to be a part of the Lunches Programme, please see the School Office for an 'Opt out' form.

We are required to inform our provider, Lunch by Libelle, of dietary requirements, e.g.

- Ethical special diets (e.g. vegetarian, vegan)
- Religious special diets (e.g. halal meats, no pork, vegetarian)
- Allergies (e.g. peanut allergy, dairy allergy, gluten allergy)
- Intolerances (e.g. lactose intolerance, gluten intolerance)
- Other medically prescribed diets (e.g. liquid only)

**Therefore, we need all parents/caregivers of students with dietary requirements to fill out the form that was sent home with your child today and return to school no later than Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April. Please note the form is for those who cannot eat specific foods due to religious, ethical or health reasons, not what a child does not want to eat.**

Check out Libelle's website [www.lunchbylibelle](http://www.lunchbylibelle) or their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/lunchbylibelle/> to learn about our school's provider, the lunch menus, recycling procedures and staffing structures etc.

Please contact Carol if you have any questions 07 889 7250.

## Uke's Cool

Sign up now! Uke's Cool for Term 2 @ Morrinsville School  
**Suitable for returning players and complete beginners.**

### Weekly lessons

Children are grouped to gain the most out of their lesson time - lessons range from basic strumming and picking to more advanced picking and riffing having fun and singing.

### Fees

\$50 per child and \$25 for further siblings

### Ukulele

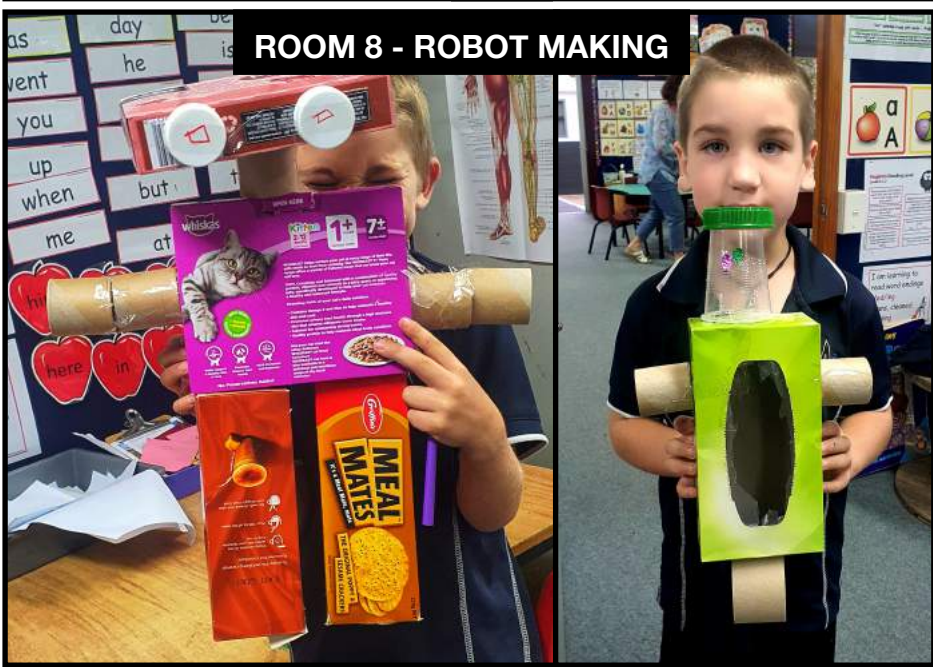
We have ukuleles to borrow or buy. The Uke's Cool team strongly recommend that you have a Ukulele at home to practice on. A Ukadelic ukulele including a case can be purchased for \$49.50.

Please contact Mrs McHardy at school/via Dojo or Ukulele John on 0220499599 if you have any questions.





**ROOM 7 & 8 - EASTER EGG HUNT**



**ROOM 8 - ROBOT MAKING**



**JUNIOR KAPAHAKA - First practice for the term.**