

# TOO TAATOU KAAINGA: OUR PLACE

# Newsletter

7 February 2023

Number 01/23

# Kia Ora Koutou Greetings

# Manaakitanga Kindness





## Welcome Back

Welcome back to all our families and to new families a warm welcome to our school. Last week's start to the year went smoothly and children were quick to settle into their new classes and class routines.

A major curriculum focus over the next 5-6 weeks in our school is the swimming programme. We have a great pool and our PTA support us employing a professional swimming coach. We aspire to having all our children as competent swimmers and confident around the water. Young children learn to swim quite easily so we are keen to ensure all children leaving our school are able to swim at least 100-200 metres. Our Year 5-8's have outdoor ed camps this term. Planning for these is currently being implemented. Forms sent to parents need to be completed and returned promptly.

## School Fees

Our School Board does **not** charge school fees nor activity fees.

Some charges are made for aspects of camps and trips though these are also subsidised.

#### **Core Values/Virtues**

Our core values are the basis for all our activities and relationships throughout our school, whether we are engaging with children, with colleagues or with parent/families and whanau.

Nuture : Grow : Inspire Whangai : Whakatipu : Whakamanawa

We have an expectation that all associated with our school, be they children, staff, parents or visitors, uphold these core values when engaging with each other.

Hopefully we express in our daily encounters the virtues of Manaakitanga, Aroha and Whakaute - Kindness and Respect.

# Term 1 Upcoming Events

## Weds 8 Feb

- BOT Families Fun Evening

# Weds 22 Feb

- BOT Meeting 5:30pm Thurs 23 Feb
- School Swimming Sports (Postponement date Fri 24 Feb)

# Wed 1 Mar-3 Mar

- Y7/8 Whitianga Camp Fri 3 Mar
- Junior Swimming Sports

# **Tues 7 Mar**

- Interschool
Swimming Sports
(Postponement date
Thurs 9 Mar)

# Sun 12 Mar-Fri 17 Mar

- Port Waikato Camp

# Weds 29 Mar

- BOT Meeting 5:30pm Mon 27 Mar
- Parent Teacher Meetings

Tues 28 Mar

Parent Teacher Meetings

# Thurs 6 Apr

- Last day Term 1 Fri 7 Apr
- Good Friday School closed

# Mon 24 Apr

- Term 2 commences

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# School Rules for All Children

- Children are not permitted to "go shopping" on their way to/from school.
- No lollies nor chewing gum are permitted at school.
- No coloured fizzy drinks, caffeine enhanced drinks or glass bottles at school. e.g. raspberry, V etc. We encourage water only.
- No precious toys come to school. "Show and Tell" items for morning talks need to be stored for safe keeping (give to teacher).
- Hats/Caps (school uniform) must be worn outside.
- "Wheels Days" are Monday and Thursday. Scooters seem to be the preferred wheels. Not permitted are motorised scooters, 3 wheelers, Roller blades or skateboards. Bikes and skateboards are permitted to get to/from school. They must be stored during school hours.
- No mobile phones are permitted in classrooms or in children's school bags. The phone will be taken from the child and held in the office till 3pm. If children are bringing a phone/tablet/iPad to school it needs to be handed in to the office before school.

# **School Uniforms**

Our thanks and appreciation for all families ensuring children are in the correct summer uniform.

#### Headlice

With school being back just a reminder to check your child(ren)'s hair for Headlice.

# **Annual Personal Information Update**

All families (except new enrolments for 2023) must return the Annual Information Update form. The school needs this to ensure it meets the requirement to ensure the safety and well being of your children while at school. In the case of any school based emergency which might involve your child, the staff must have accurate up to date contact numbers, health status and who has/has not got permission to access your child while in our care at school.

If you haven't completed the form please do so and return to school before this Friday. If you require another copy please contact the office.

# Scholastic Book Club Issue 1 2023

Issue 1 of the Lucky Book Club will be sent home with your child this week.

- To order books online with Scholastic, go to <a href="scholastic.co.nz/LOOP">scholastic.co.nz/LOOP</a> and follow the instructions, download the scholastic app, or continue with the traditional ordering system of bringing the paper order form to the school office and paying by cash or cheque.
- If ordering with the paper order form, please ensure you fill the form out correctly with your child's name and class number.
- Every book purchased earns our school library free books, so your support is greatly appreciated. All book club orders are due back Friday 24th February.
- Please note: The school office is unable to process credit cards so cash or cheque only.

# **TOGS**

We are looking for donations of any togs your child(ren) may have outgrown. Please drop these to the school office.

Many thanks!

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Mr Brett Johnstone (Chairman)

Mr Marcus Taupo

Mr Michael Carey

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Mr Grant Briscoe

Mrs Lycinda Lett

Mrs Rebecca Taulu

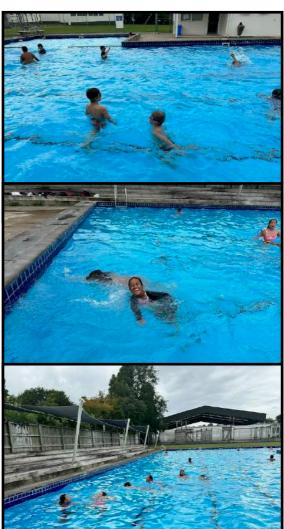
Mrs Lynda Brunton (Treasurer)

Miss Nicole Healey (Staff Rep)



# **ROOM 2 - UNDERSTANDING THE TREATY OF WAITANGI**





**ROOM 2 - SWIMMING** 

## **School End of Year Awards**

At the end of last year a final assembly was held. Children were presented with certificates for 100% attendance and Class Awards for Excellence in Sport, in Citizenship, in Academic Excellence and in Student Diligence. We congratulate all those who achieved the awards and we recognised a great group of other children who were in the reckoning for each award. Teachers had shortlists of between 5-8 children for each award so their selection tasks were not made easy.

Room 7 & 9:

Academic: Sophia Garcia (Excellence)

Mila Ford, Braxton Mossong (Highly Commended)

Sport: Jahsiah Tuhakaraina-Tuira (Excellence)

Mila Ford, Macy Lett (Highly Commended)

Citizenship: Waikato Wilson-Green (Excellence)

Jayda Taulu, Tanner Walker (Highly Commended)

Student Tanner Walker (Excellence)

Diligence: Tia McCaskill-Pakinga, Rylan Rudolph

(Highly Commended)

Room 8:

Academic: Melah Wood (Excellence)

Emma Harding, Zidane Ghaderisilveh

(Highly Commended)
Sport: Melah Wood (Excellence)

Kyro Edwards, Rylan Chim-Long

(Highly Commended)

Citizenship: Zoe van de Pas (Excellence)

Amaiyah-Louise Taulu, Reef Nickel

(Highly Commended)

Student Kyro Edwards (Excellence)

Diligence: Aroha-Rose Te Hau Tanawhea, Nekou Short

(Highly Commended)

Y2 Awards:

Academic: Eli Briscoe (Excellence)

Casey Noonan, Mackenna Lett, Brock Spencer

(Highly Commended)

Sport: Mackenna Lett (Excellence)

Eli Briscoe, Ashton Moore (Highly Commended)

Citizenship: Casey Noonan (Excellence)

(Room 12) Briar Walker, Izaak Pemberton-Higgs

(Highly Commended)

Student Ataahua Kearns (Excellence)

Diligence: Reach Po, Josephine Mika-Filivao

(Room 12) (Highly Commended)

Y3 Awards:

Academic: Harlyn Wood (Excellence)

Karly Pfeiffer, Toby Mossong (Highly Commended)

Sport: Karly Pfeiffer (Excellence)

Toby Mossong, Leanne Hotene (Highly Commended)

Citizenship: Maraea Nahu (Excellence)

(Room 11) Skyla-Ann Reid-Davies, Mason Whitton

(Highly Commended)

Student Ryder Christy (Excellence)

Diligence: Manaia Herbert-Wilson, Maraea Nahu

(Room 11) (Highly Commended)

Congratulations and well done to all our children who worked so hard during 2022.

Y4 Awards:

Academic: Patrick Briscoe (Excellence)

Charlie Moore, Madison van de Pas

(Highly Commended)

Sport: Patrick Briscoe (Excellence)

Mia Osai, Nyjah Potae, Tiana Thompson

(Highly Commended)

Y5 Awards:

Academic: Eva Belmar, Charlie Hamer (Excellence)

Tia Eyes, Amariya Christy, Matthew Kochetov

(Highly Commended)

Zahnay'Eve Mark-Edwards (Excellence)

Charlie Hamer, Lachlan Thom (Highly Commended)

Y6 Awards:

Sport:

Academic: Madison Symon (Excellence)

Gemma Johnson, Fergus Beachen, Erin Hamer

(Highly Commended)

Sport: Tautoko Wilson (Excellence)

Erin Hamer, Mersadiez Wilson-Green, Paige

Carrington (Highly Commended)

Y7/8 Awards:

Academic: Braydon Simpson (Excellence)

Joban Singh, Lukas Pluss (Highly Commended)

Sport: Lukas Pluss (Excellence)

Joban Singh, Estaaliyah Clarke (Highly Commended)

Senior Citizenship Awards:

Room 1: Ariana Sun (Excellence)

Jennifer Hun, CJ Wilson-Green (Highly Commended)

**Room 2:** Eric Chege-Romero (Excellence)

Mia Osai, Tiana Thompson (Highly Commended)

Room 3: Victor Chege-Romero (Excellence)

Erin Hamer, Jayda Edwards (Highly Commended)

Room 4: Charlie Hamer (Excellence)

Paige Carrington, Mersadiez Wilson-Green

(Highly Commended)

Room 5: Olivia Stephenson (Excellence)

Ataretta Maaka, Aaliyah Pluss

(Highly Commended)

**Senior Student Diligence Awards:** 

Room 1: Jennifer Hun (Excellence)

Kingston-Rose Tongia, Olivia Conn

(Highly Commended)

**Room 2:** Amaia-Rose Tuhakaraina (Excellence)

Bella Old, Mila Venter (Highly Commended)

Room 3: Kellah Baldonado (Excellence)

Victor Chege-Romero, Missou Makavalu

(Highly Commended)

Room 4: Peta Vedder-Lambert (Excellence)

William Liddington, Karlah-Jane Edwards

(Highly Commended)

Room 5: Olivia Stephenson (Excellence)

Nevaeh Mika, Aaliyah Pluss (Highly Commended)

Kapa Haka Awards:

Excellence and Achievement:

Cj Wilson-Green, Georgia Taupo, Mila Venter,

Tanner Walker

Dedication and Service:

Mia Osai, Tiana Thompson, Drew Hards, Joban Singh

**Full Attendance:** 

100% Attendance

Toby Mossong, William Liddington, Nevaeh Mika,

Karly Pfeiffer