

Newsletter

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**Whakaute
Respect**

Mā te manaaki i te tangara e tū ai te mana
By providing hospitality to people, mana is acquired.



Ka Ora, Ka Ako

Healthy School Lunches Programme

Our lunch supplier, Bite Lab, provide hot healthy nutritious lunches daily.

We encourage all children to participate in the Healthy School lunch programme. Children are to participate in the programme every day and cannot pick and choose which day they wish to participate.

Our school lunches are intended to provide children with food that is nutritional for them and which will, overtime, get them to know a variety of wholesome foods.

The school's expectation of parents whose children opt out of the lunch programme is that they are provided with a nutritional and wholesome lunch.

Children who are not participating in the Healthy School lunch programme are not to bring snack food to school for lunch. Children do enjoy the small occasional treat in their lunchboxes which we don't worry about.

We definitely want the children eating well as there is a strong research connection between children consuming nutritional food and their concentration and learning.

Another note is that we are a 'water only' school. Juice, fizzy drinks, jelly and Up and Go are prohibited at school.

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 19 February

- Junior Swimming Sports
- (Postponement date: Fri 20 Feb)

Wednesday 25 February

- BOT Meeting 5:30pm

Thursday 26 February

- Senior Swimming Sports
- (Postponement date: Fri 27 Feb)

Tuesday 17 March - please note the change of date

- Junior Beach Trip Waihi
- (Postponement date: Fri 19 March)

Wednesday 4 March

- Interschool Swimming Sports
- (Postponement date: Thurs 5 March)

Sun 8 March - Fri 13 March

- Port Waikato Camp

Tuesday 10 March

- Y4 Pukemokemoke Trip

Wednesday 25 March

- BOT Meeting 5:30pm

Thursday 2 April

- Last day Term 1

Year 5 & 6 Port Waikato Camp

Our Year 5 & 6 students will be attending Port Waikato Camp From Sunday 8 March to Friday 13 March. The cost is \$150 per student. Notices regarding camp will be sent home at the start of the week. Please return these promptly. Parent helpers, cooks and transportation are needed to ensure the smooth running of the camp. Please let us know asap if you are able to help.

Year 7 & 8 Waitangi Trip

Our Year 7 & 8 students will be attending Waitangi from Monday 23 March to Thursday 26 March and will be staying at the Parawhenua Marae. The approximate cost is \$180 per student. We hope to further reduce this cost with ongoing fundraising throughout the term.

ROOM 3 SELF PORTRAIT ART

TAMARIKI FROM ROOM 3 HAVE BEEN CREATING SELF PORTRAITS USING THE VIBE MOSAIC TECHNIQUE. GREAT WORK ROOM 3!



JUNIOR SWIMMING



SPORTS

Thursday 19th of February
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

RACES

- Beach Noodle Race
- Width Noodle Race
- Width Dive for Rings
- Beach Dive for Rings
- Width Flutter boards front
- Beach Flutter Boards front
- Width Flutter boards back
- Beach Noodle back
- Width Freestyle



If you wish to take your child home after the races please let their teacher know and sign out at the office.

SENIOR SWIMMING SPORTS

Years 3-8

THURSDAY 26th February 2026

9:30 am Morning Tea

9:50 am Children change, leave clothes in classroom and assemble under the dome

All children assemble in teams at pool.

Events begin (Please note: Times are approximate and events may run slightly earlier).

Lunch

Events continue

2:30 pm All events completed. Children back to class or home with parents.



Event

1. 9yrs/over	Boys	Medley	34. Beginners	Girls	1 width flutterboard
2. 9yrs/over	Girls	Medley	35. 10yr	Boys	1 width freestyle
3. 10yr	Boys	1 length breaststroke	36. 10yr	Girls	1 width freestyle
4. 10yr	Girls	1 length breaststroke	37. 9yr	Boys	1 width freestyle
5. 9yr	Boys	1 length breaststroke	38. 9yr	Girls	1 width freestyle
6. 9yr	Girls	1 length breaststroke	39. 8yr	Boys	1 width freestyle
7. 8yr	Boys	1 length breaststroke	40. 8yr	Girls	1 width freestyle
8. 8yr	Girls	1 length breaststroke	41. 6/7yr	Boys	1 width freestyle
9. Yr 7/8	Boys	1 length breaststroke	42. 6/7yr	Girls	1 width freestyle
10. Yr 7/8	Girls	1 length breaststroke		Boys	1 width freestyle
11. 10yr	Boys	1 width backstroke		Girls	1 width freestyle
12. 10yr	Girls	1 width backstroke			
13. 9yr	Boys	1 width backstroke	43. Yr7/8	Boys	1 length freestyle
14. 9yr	Girls	1 width backstroke	44. Yr7/8	Girls	1 length freestyle
15. 8yr	Boys	1 width backstroke	45. 10yr	Boys	1 length freestyle
16. 8yr	Girls	1 width backstroke	46. 10yr	Girls	1 length freestyle
17. 6/7yr	Boys	1 width backstroke	47. 9yr	Boys	1 length freestyle
18. 6/7yr	Girls	1 width backstroke	48. 9yr	Girls	1 length freestyle
19. Yr 7/8	Boys	1 width backstroke	49. 8yr	Boys	1 length freestyle
20. Yr 7/8	Girls	1 width backstroke	50. 8yr	Girls	1 length freestyle
21. Beginners	Boys	1 width flutterboard (back)	51. 6/7yr	Boys	1 length freestyle
22. Beginners	Girls	1 width flutterboard (back)	52. 6/7yr	Girls	1 length freestyle
23. Yr 7/8	Boys	1 length backstroke	53. Waka Relays 7/8 yo	B&G 4 x 4 relay	
24. Yr 7/8	Girls	1 length backstroke	54. Waka Relays 9/10 yo	B&G 4 x 4 relay	
25. 10yr	Boys	1 length backstroke	55. Parent/Teacher/ Yr5/6, Yr7/8 4 x 4 relay		
26. 10yr	Girls	1 length backstroke			
27. 9yr	Boys	1 length backstroke			
28. 9yr	Girls	1 length backstroke			
29. 8yr	Boys	1 length backstroke			
30. 8yr	Girls	1 length backstroke			
31. 6/7yr	Boys	1 length backstroke			
32. 6/7yr	Girls	1 length backstroke			
33. Beginners	Boys	1 width flutterboard			

Please note: Children will swim in the age group they are as at the Interschool Swimming Sports date Wednesday 4th March.

Touch - Wednesday 18th February

The venue for Touch is Campbell Park. Fields will be labelled.

Please make sure your team is on the field and ready to start at 3:30pm or 4pm.

MS Storm (Y1/2)

Teacher: Te Wai O'Neill & Jorja Stewart. **Manager:** Jack Kati & Nesha Terry. **Referee:** Rosé Hodgetts.

Charlie Leyland, Eligh Holten, Quinn Hodgetts, Ethan Thomas, Ohāna Aramoana, Minerva Wood-Stotesbury, Te Kingi Tahere, Marlee Randall, Athena Leyland, Kylah Jackson, Ace Rakatau, Hunter Benner, Kruze Rakatau, Aisea Vaka-Phillips, Tahau Nuitone.

MS Raiders (Y3/4)

Teacher: Gigi Nahal & Tray Whiu. **Manager:** Lycinda & Ryan Lett.

Referee: Rosé Hodgetts.

Hannah Lowe, Macy Lett, Riley Hodgetts, Harlee-Jane Anderson, Jessie Thomas, Tanner Walker, Rocky Nankivell, Braxton Mossong, Stevie Paton, Pourangahua Aramoana, Eloise Howell, Joey Maninang, Delilah Rowland.

MS Cowboys (Y5/6)

Teacher: Abby Russell & Taimarina Johnson. **Manager:** Willie Thom & Atu Poulson.

Hunter-Lee Anderson, Creed Nankivell, Briar Walker, Zoe van de Pas, Casey Noonan, Mackenna Lett, Jasmine Teiho-Marsh, Cohen Cordes, Kaizer Toner-Heal, Jahzaier Toner-Heal, Joedy Maninang, Te Ao Kapurangi Phillips, Te Ao Rerehua Phillips.

Game times for Wednesday 18th February:

3:30pm - MS Raiders (Y3/4) vs DSS Eagles - Field 5A

3:30pm - MS Storm (Y1/2) vs Kiwitahi Rockets - Field 5B

3:30pm - MS Cowboys (Y5/6) vs DSS Tigers - Field 4