



WEEK 2, TERM 4 -  
20 OCTOBER 2023

## Principals Korero

Tēnā koutou e te whānau

And we're off to a flying start! What a fortnight it has been to start term 4 with events such as Hāngi and Hui, Pet Day, Year 7-8 camp and school photos to name a few.

A huge thank you to all those who first helped with the preparations for our Hāngi and Hui and second to those who joined us last Wednesday to share. A real highlight was having multiple generations present to discuss what our place was like for them over time and help form a greater vision of where we want to take it moving forward. These discussions help the school tremendously from the leaders and teachers to the community to the Board of Trustees, to make decisions for continual improvement. Both the Board and Staff met on Monday to start working through this information and forming the strategic plan that leads our work here at TMS.

The Board also confirmed the teaching and classroom structure for 2024 on Monday. The structure is created in response to the number of teachers that the Ministry funds, the number of students in each year group, the learning priorities of the current students and the level of support we attract for these students too. As you can imagine, this is a difficult jigsaw to put together and often has limited solutions in a small school. In 2024 we will continue to operate with 5 teachers in 5 classroom spaces with a yet to be appointed teacher, to cover Emily while she is on maternity leave, in the New Entrant-Year 1 class in Tī Kōuka, Caroline Abbott teaching Year 2-3 in Makomako, Sarah Kerr teaching Year 4 in Mānuka, Julian Mason teaching Year 5-6 in Rewarewa, and Aaron Harrison teaching Year 7-8 in Kōwhai. We are also investigating the possibility of setting up the 6th classroom space as a specialist programme class for another teacher to work with set classes at set times on specialised programmes while their classroom teacher is on classroom release time.

The feedback on uniforms was not strong enough for change, so our current status of a school supplied red bucket hat for terms 1 and 4, and a school shirt for representing the school will continue. The question of uniforms will be asked again in 3 years' time as part of our ongoing review and evaluation cycle.

Again, thank you for your ongoing support in and for our school, we really appreciate it.

Ngā mihi mahana  
Nic Walker  
Tumuaki - Principal

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# Ti Kouka

Year 0 - 2, Caroline Abbott & Emily Morris

Kia ora Ti Kōuka whānau,

We have had a very busy and thrilling first two weeks of term 4 and there is only more to come. We received our red hats this week, this was exciting, thanks PTA!

We also started our Sexuality Education Unit learning about the word 'manaakitanga' and thought of ways we can be kind and caring to one another. Not just in our classroom but also at home with our whānau. Manaakitanga is not only one of our school values but a really important concept in our day to day interactions with others. We have seen many ākonga helping each other, sharing resources, and being more conscientious of others over the last couple of days. If you see anything over the long weekend that shows this value, it would be great if you could email it to Emily - [emilym@tuamarina.school.nz](mailto:emilym@tuamarina.school.nz) so we can add it to our display.

We hope everyone has a great long weekend and have a look at the calendar to see what's up next in our busy Term 4.

Ngā mihi, Emily & Caroline



## Mānuka

Year 3 - 4, Sarah Kerr

Kia ora e te whānau,

Congratulations to all those students who participated in Taiopenga this week. Your mahi and bravery showed on stage and we were so proud of your performance. Also congratulations to Lexie loose and Chase Franken who will be representing Mānuka class at the Wairau Cluster Speech Competition next week.

Thank you, Tom Walker who supported Mānuka this week and gave everyone a session on making stop motion animation with his very extensive Lego collection. Also our grateful thanks to the PTA for our awesome new whero pōtae!

Year 3-4 Athletics is being hosted by Spring Creek School on Thursday 2nd November. Please complete the permission transport form.

Nga mihi Sarah, Gretchen and Lorraine.

[Athletics Permission Form](#)



## Rewarewa

Year 5 - 6, Julian Mason

This week we have been enjoying and taking advantage of the sunshine, with games and outdoor learning! The students are using what they have learned about similes and metaphors to write super vivid and descriptive sentences, while using our beautiful playscape as inspiration! - Leah W

**Mr Mason will be back in class next week, and will be excited to hear about your week!**





# Hamner Camp - Year 7 & 8

Kowhai

Year 7 - 8, Aaron Harrison





Congratulations to our KiwiCan winners of the week :

- Ti Kouka Group 1 : Yeve Castle
- Ti Kouka Group 2 : Hibiki Johnson
- Manuka : Reid Comeskey
- Rewarewa : Caitlyn Fishburn

Congratulations to our Akonga O Te Wiki :

- Ti Kouka : Belle Jacobson, Willem Vercoe, Arlo Burdon
- Manuka : Violet Beech, Leo Bown
- Rewarewa : Sofiya Pronkina, Arthur Hollyman

Group Day Sausage Sizzle

On Wednesday we are hosting group day, and we are going to be having a sausage sizzle. Sausages \$2 each, lemonade iceblocks \$1 each. Please let your teacher know what you would like to order.

A big thank you to Marlborough Vets tennis club for their kind donation of tennis balls for our tamariki.

Accounts

Coming in to the last term of the year Amy will be reaching out to those who have money owing on their accounts to get these balanced.



**Integrity**  
*Pono*  
Means doing the right thing.

THE KIWI CAN CORNER

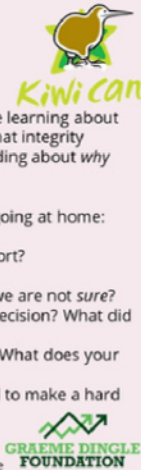
Integrity / Pono

Our focus for this term is integrity – and to begin with we’re learning about **making good decisions**. This week we will be exploring what integrity means for decision-making, and developing our understanding about why some choices are better than others!

Here are some conversation starters to keep the learning going at home:

- Why is it important to show integrity?
- How can we show integrity at school, at home, and in sport?
- Why should we make good choices?
- What can we do when we have to make a decision and we are not sure?
- Can you think of a time when you had to make a tough decision? What did you decide? Would you do it differently now?
- How do you know when you have made a good choice? (What does your body, and your mind, tell you?)
- Can you think of a character in a book or movie that had to make a hard choice? How did they make their decision? Would you have made the same choice? Or a different one? Why?

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House Points

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Signing tamariki in and out

Please remember to sign your children in and out in the office; if your child is going home early, leaving for an appointment, or arriving late.

This is crucial so that we know where all children are when under Tua Marina Schools' care.

Please reach out to Amy with any issues or questions.

Manuka class looking great in their new school hats. A massive thank you to our wonderful PTA for these!!



**TRANSITION TO INTERMEDIATE WORKSHOP**



**\$20**

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Grow in confidence and have fun exploring maths concepts. Ideal for students entering Year 7 in 2024

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**THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER**  
4PM-5PM

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# KEGS

## 17th October Tua Marina Kegs Report

A cold rainy morning in the garden. We learned how to sow sunflower seeds in trays to be looked after in class. Garden beds were weeded and composted, as well as some broccoli and cauliflower seedlings planted out. Children loved being back in the garden, despite the inclement weather. Great job everyone.





# Term 4 - what Is coming up?

		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Week 3	23 - 27 Oct	Labour Day - School Closed		Group Day - Held at TMS		Whanau Time 2:30PM
Week 4	30 Oct - 03 Nov	Marlborough Anniversary Day - School Closed	PTA Meeting - 3PM	Rural Athletics		Assembly - Kowhai
Week 5	06 - 10 Nov	Seniors - Tech				Whanau Time 2:30PM
Week 6	13 - 17 Nov	Teacher Only Day		Technology Challenge Day		No Assembly this week - Christmas fair on Sunday 19th - 10am!!
Week 7	20 - 24 Nov				Taster Day at MBC for Year 8 Boys	Cuddon Regional Tech Challenge Whanau Time 2:30PM
Week 8	27 Nov - 01 Dec		PTA Meeting - 3PM	Additional Tech Day - Seniors		Assembly - Manuka
Week 9	04 Dec - 08 Dec		Pine Valley Camp - Whole School	Pine Valley Camp - Whole School		Whanau Time
Week 10	11 Dec - 15 Dec	Year 8 Dinner		End of Year Assembly		



# PTA / Christmas Fair Meetings

Kia Ora E Te Whānau,

Thanks to everyone who has made your donations. If you have not done this yet, please bring them in as soon as you can. Bottle, Grocery Item, Chocolate & Fill a Jar



We are in need of  
Lollipops & Popsicle Sticks  
if you have any of these please drop into  
the office or contact Abbey.

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

The fair is getting closer now and we are in desperate need of support from our Tua Marina Whānau if you can offer some time, please come along to one of our meetings held every 2nd Tuesday in the Library.



If you are unable to make the meeting but would still like to help, please contact Abbey [christmasfair@tuamarina.school.nz](mailto:christmasfair@tuamarina.school.nz) or 021 149 4974

**Next Meeting: - Tuesday  
24th October 3.15pm School  
Library**



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