

WEEK 4, TERM 4 - 03 NOVEMBER 2023

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Tēnā koutou e te whānau

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A BIG thanks to the PTA for kitting all our students in school colour sunsmart hats. Not only does everyone look great and part of the same team but it means that everyone is supported in 'working together to grow a healthy and happy community...' These hats stay here at school and are stored in classrooms so that students can be out and about getting actively involved outside the classroom rather than having to sit on the shaded deck at break times.

Pine Valley preparations are progressing and more information will continue to come out through HERO. This Education Outside The Classroom (EOTC) experience is one in which the community voice came through loud and clear from the Hāngi and Hui feedback as a really positive, valuable and important event to keep happening. If you haven't signalled to the office already for your child's participation then please do so ASAP, Amy is awaiting a response from about 15% of our families. Thanks in advance for this and keep an eye on HERO for updates.

We really appreciate the appreciation. On Friday I was able to share with teachers all the ways in which our tamariki and whānau think they are amazing. This really blew the socks off the teachers here and really highlighted the huge array of ways in which teachers support not only learning but our students being outstanding well-rounded individuals and just cool people. Thank you from all of us here for all of the messages.

Last week we highlighted our 4 school Values of Integrity, Kindness, Respect and Responsibility and asked you to email any student showing these out in our community. One of our senior students was spotted showing Manaaki - Kindness out and about at the town library. He was caught, for all the right reasons, helping a child from another school figure out what type of books they like reading and suggesting books they might like to try next. This was so cool to hear about and really made my day so I thought I'd share. If you see one of our students showcasing any of these four values in the community I'd love an email to highlight what makes our students such amazing people.

Ngā mihi mahana Nic Walker Tumuaki - Principal

Ti Kouka

Year O - 2, Caroline Abbott & Emily Morris

Kia ora Tī Kōuka whānau,
Another short, but busy week! Yesterday we went to
Grovetown School to take part in Tabloid Sports. Lots of
fun was had and it was wonderful to see our confident,
independent ākonga (students) taking risks, having a go
and cheering on their teammates. It is at times like this
that our students really live and exemplify our values and
vision. Thank you to everyone for returning permission
forms quickly, handing in money for the sausage sizzle and
those who helped with transport.

In Week 9 the whole school goes to Pine Valley for 2 days of fun activities and to camp overnight. Tī Kōuka students are encouraged to sleep all together with Emily and Caroline in one of the school room cabins. This is a really fun experience, but we realise it can also be quite overwhelming for some. If you feel your child would struggle with this there is an option for you to bring a small tent and sleep with them in that or for them to only spend the daytimes with us. Please chat to us if you have any queries about Pine Valley.

Ngā mihi, Emily & Caroline





Mānuka

Year 3 - 4, Sarah Kerr

Thank you to everyone who represented Tuamarino School at Junior Rural Athletics yesterday. Mānuka students tried new things, met new people and their manners were thoughtful and considerate. Lorraine, Gretchen and I were very proud to be there with you. Welcome Ollie Michaels to Manuka class and we hope you and your whānau enjoy your years at Tuamarino School.



We have done lots of academic testing this week and will continue next week. Students have been able to articulate how their learning has progressed, especially in writing.

Again Lorraine and I are feeling proud of everyone's mahi and positive attitudes.

Wheea Maryn will be teaching in

Whaea Maryn will be teaching in Mānuka class on Monday.

Rewarewa

Year 5 - 6, Julian Mason

Kia ora e te whānau,

I hope everyone made use of the last long weekend for a while. We have packed a lot into the short week.

We got back into our maths routines this week. It is always enjoyable working with the maths groups, having learning conversations and exploring new concepts. It is exciting to look back and see the students using the skills they have picked up during the year.

Much of our week has been taken up by athletics practice in preparation for the Rural Athletics on Tuesday. It is a great event to meet students from other schools and work hard to develop their skills. The high jump has been the favourite for the week, but the students will also be taking part in sprints, long jump, discus and shot put. Please make sure that students come to school on Tuesday with their school top, sports shorts and shoes, an energy filled lunch and full water bottle and something warm to wear if it is cold. It is taking place at Athletic park in Blenheim, so please come along and support if you have time. Have a great weekend - Julian



Kowhai

Year 7 - 8, Aaron Harrison

Kia ora koutou whānau,

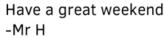
This week in Kowhai we have been practicing hard for our Rural Athletics next week on Tuesday. The Athletics Day will be at Athletics Park in town if parents are interested to come and watch.

The students have been practicing their shot put and discus, high jump, long jump and their sprints. They have all done really well despite the heat we have had over the last couple of days. The students are going through a bit of testing with different assessments for the end of the year. If they come home a little brain drained and exhausted given them a Milo and a hug and a big thanks from Mr H.

Reminders:

Please remember that next Monday we are at Tech. Parents can you please make sure that the students have their Tua Marina shirt.

Today I will be sending out via HERO an invite to clarify numbers for the year 8 leavers dinner. Please fill it in and send it back to me as soon as possible.







Congratulations to our KiwiCan winners of the week:

Ti Kouka Group 1 - Gus Waddington Ti Kouka Group 2 - Sophie Martella Manuka - George Kerr Rewarewa - Blake Beattie

Group Day Winners

Congratulations to: Sophie Martella - 3rd Junior Lamb Care & Knowledge Ella Roughan - 3rd Calf Ringcraft/Best Pet

Cheese Rolls

There are still a few cheese rolls available for sale. \$15 per dozen. If you are wanting some, please reach out to Amy to organise.

Water Bottles & Sunhats

As we are now in the lovely warm term 4, please ensure that your tamariki are bringing a water bottle to school.

A reminder that the PTA kindly donated a school hat to every tamariki. These are to remain at school - if these are taken home and forgotten, they will be required to play on the deck in the shade for playtimes. Please remind your tamariki of the "red hat stays at school" rule.

2024 Stationery

We are currently looking at finding the most cost effective way to purchase stationery for 2024. This will be locked in shortly!

Pine Valley Camp

For those who are yet to respond to the Pine Valley survey/email, please do so as soon as possible.

Unfortunately, siblings are not invited to Pine Valley camp this year. For those who are not "parent helpers" and are just hoping to join us for dinner on Tuesday night, siblings may be able to attend for this short time. Please reach out to Amy in the office to discuss! We have to ensure we adhere to all health and safety policies!



THE KIWI CAN CORNER

Integrity / Pono



In Kiwi Can we have been learning about peer pressure and how it affects our decisions, now we are putting our learning into practice around making our own decisions. Our juniors are practising thinking before we act when making our decisions. Our older tamariki are exploring different strategies for decision-making which support integrity and making good choices.

- me conversation starters for this week...
 Why is it important to think before we act?
- Have you ever jumped right into a decision without thinking it through? What happened? What did you learn from that?
- Have you seen someone else making a silly choice recently? What did you do? What else *could* you have done? What influence would that have had on the outcome?
- What is one great decision you made this week? Why?
 How can you set standards for yourself around making decisions? What are some of the standards you've set for yourself that help you make decisions based on integrity?

 GRAEME DING

Congratulations to our Akonga O Te Wiki

Ti Kouka - Tuiti MacDonald, Ella Roughan, Shelby Vincent Manuka - Quinn Te Kurapa Rewarewa - Hugo Walker, Abi Barber Kowhai - Claudia Anderson-Vercoe

Bus Students

Please remember to sign your children on/off the bus. We do not want any children mistakenly missing the bus due to a miscommunication!

Absence Notifications

Please remember to contact Amy (via Hero, email, or voicemail) to report any absences for your child.

House Points

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KEGS

31st October Tua Marina KEGs Report

Mānuka class were very busy in the garden today. Worm filled compost dug and added to the garden to plant two tomato plants and their friend basil were also planted and staked in a cleared garden bed. Some weeding around the brassica plants, as well as a big garden bed dug over. The wine barrels were weeded and popping corn seeds were planted. Last of all, lots of watering. Kai pai everyone!



Term 4 - What is coming up?

| | | MON | TUES | WED | THURS | FRI |
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| Week 5 | 06 - 10 Nov | Seniors - Tech | Year 5-8 Athletics | | | 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 - OI 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 IO | II Dec - I5 Dec | Year 8 Dinner | | End of Year Assembly | | |





PTA / Christmas Fair Meetings

PTA / Christmas Fair

Kia Ora E Te Whānau,



Only 16 days until the fair, things are getting really busy, if anyone is able to offer help over the next couple of weeks, please get in touch with us.

It is time to sign up for helping out at the fair, the expectation is that at least one adult per whānau will help out on the day, if you would like to do something specific sign-up quick, jobs will be allocated on a first in first served basis. Sign-up sheets are in the office or contact us.

We are still accepting donations of Chocolate, Bottles, Grocery Items & Fill a Jar every little bit helps.

Request - For any Eggs & Butter that anyone is able to donate to help go towards extra baking, if you are able to help out with this let us know.

We are now meeting every Tuesday in the library 3.15pm

For any information or if you are able to offer any help or donations please contact

Abbey christmasfair@tuamarina.school.nz or 021 149 4974

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