



WEEK 6, TERM 4 -
17 NOVEMBER 2023

Principals Korero

Tēnā koutou e te whānau

It was a bit of a challenging week for us in the Tua Marina School community in having to cancel our Christmas Fair. As the principal of the school, I am disappointed that we had to make the call so early in the week so that we could cancel orders and make alternate plans. The fair is an event that we all look forward to, and it is a great opportunity for our students, parents, community and teachers to come together and celebrate. However, due to uncontrollable circumstances, we had to make the difficult decision to cancel the fair this year.

On a brighter note, I am excited to turn our focus now to our upcoming school camp at Pine Valley that I am sure everyone will enjoy. The Pine Valley camp is a great opportunity for our students to learn new skills, celebrate our year of learning and progress with friends, and have fun. We have planned a range of activities that will challenge and engage our students, and I am confident that they will have a great time. Thank you to those that have brought back their permission and health information forms to the office, can we ask for any final ones to be back with us on Monday.

I understand that the cancellation of the fair may be disappointing for everyone, but I hope that we can all look forward to the school camp with the same enthusiasm.

We are committed to providing our students with the best possible learning opportunities, and I believe that the school camp is an important part of that commitment.

Thank you for your understanding, and I look forward to seeing you all in the lead up to camp.

Ngā mihi mahana
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Ti Kouka

Year 0 - 2, Caroline Abbott & Emily Morris

Kia ora Tī Kōuka whānau,



This week we had lots of fun in our whole school athletics, Tī Kōuka tamariki did really well at participating and trying their best. We are very proud of their effort and attitude during the running, jumping and throwing activities. Also, their perseverance during house relays at the end! We have been finishing the good copy of our firework art and writing. These have come out looking very effective.

The days are warming up and we even had to put the air-conditioning on this week. Please can spare shorts and t-shirts be put into childrens' bags so they can change as the weather warms up. We don't have spare clothes for children to change into if they are too hot, these need to come from home. Children are starting to get tired and a bit scratchy with the end of the term in sight, so we are having a big emphasis on playing nicely, showing manaakitanga and cooperating with each other. Some children are being excellent role-models for this. Have a relaxing weekend everyone!

Ngā mihi, Emily and Caroline

Mānuka

Year 3 - 4, Sarah Kerr

Kia ora whānau,

Congratulations William, Quinn, Lexie, Charlotte and Ajax on being selected to represent Tua Marina in the Marlborough Athletics Champs next week. Thank you Julian Mason for organising an awesome school athletics day for us on Tuesday. We have almost finished our literacy and numeracy testing and are writing reports for the end of the year. Next week we can get back to teaching and learning as normal and finish off our topics for the year that may have been interrupted. One of our art projects is bird prints which we started printing first proofs of this week.

Thank you everyone for bringing their camp notices back, we are getting super excited about Pine Valley! Welcome back Tane who said our Europe travel guide was very helpful and bought us a double decker bus pencil sharpener. We also had a huge box of juicy mandarins delivered today by Marlin's whānau, thank you!.

Enjoy your weekend, Manuka Whānau and Sarah Kerr



Rewarewa

Year 5 - 6, Julian Mason

Kia ora e te whānau,

I had the pleasure of watching a bunch of fine little actors on Thursday. After weeks of practice the students finally got to perform.

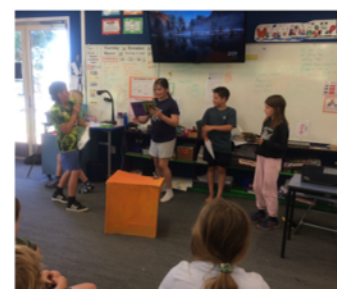
It was so rewarding to see them put in the effort and think of interesting ways to adapt and present their plays. While not everyone enjoys being 'on stage,' it is a great experience to be exposed to.

Over the weeks the students had to manage themselves, work together, create props and respond to feedback. One big focus was being aware of the audience and your position on the stage and it was something that they all improved on and did well for their performance.

At times working together and managing themselves was a struggle, but that was all part of the learning process and hopefully they have a new skill to take to their next group task.

This term we have talked about being kind and making positive comments to each other, and this is especially important when we are getting towards the end of the year when people are tired and there is a lot happening. While there are always ups and downs, it has been a really fun week with your wonderful tamariki. I hope you have a smile on your face going into the weekend like I do - Julian

PS - A quick congratulations to Abigail, Meika C, Meika O'D, Blake, Lucas, Holly, Neve, Dean and Mason who will be representing us at the Marlborough Athletics Champs next Tuesday.



Kowhai

Year 7 - 8, Aaron Harrison

Kia ora whānau,

This week in Kowhai the kids have been very busy with all of the end of year testing needed for college and fitting in athletics with a tech challenge day to boot.

With the rural athletics being cancelled we ran our own athletics here at school last Tuesday. This helped the teachers to identify the champions who we will send to Marlborough athletics Tuesday next week. We will be sending kids from year 4 up to the year 8's.

From Kowhai I would like to announce the students who are going are Ethan Abbott, Evelynne Harrison, Daniel Baker, Ollie Loose and Stella Phillips.

Congratulations, well done and good luck for Tuesday.

The tamariki also had fun at their tech challenge day with three of our groups getting certificates for coming first, second and third on the different challenges.

Jane Ginders from the tech centre will be choosing the best group to go to the Cuddon Tech Challenge later this term.

Have a great weekend, stay safe.

Nga mihi,

Mr H

Reminders: Please respond to my [google form](#) that I sent out earlier about the year 8 dinner. I need to know the numbers of people who are coming. If you have already responded thank you very much.

Please we also need to have more people available for transport to and from Pine Valley on the 5th and 6th of December. If you are available please make it known to Amy in the office.



Congratulations to our KiwiCan winners of the week :

Ti Kouka Group 1 - Rangimarie Hika-Roberts

Ti Kouka Group 2 - Ella Roughan
Manuka - William Stoner
Rewarewa - Arthur Hollyman

Pine Valley

*Please return Pine Valley permission forms ASAP if you haven't already done so.

The following parents have expressed their interest in joining us at camp/providing transport. Please reach out to Amy if you want to be on this list, or if your availability has changed.

Rebecca A, Jason B, Nicole B, Brendan B, Tony B, Eve S, Helen C, Melissa & Nick C, Rebecca P, Jodie E, Gemma F, Bec H, Anahera H, Nadia K, Vic L, Kerry L, Megan L, Steph M, Rebecca C, Roz M, Sarah OS, Radana D, Antonia OD, Elissa OH, Emma R, Rebecca S, Jason T, Rebekah V, Camille V, Caryssa OB, David W



Starting around 9.30am this morning, Friday 17th Nov, Manaia & Willem's Uncle Brendon is beginning his amazing challenge and adventure of cycling from Cape Reinga to Stirling Point in Bluff in 4 days. This is approx 2000kms in the seat!

He is aiming to beat the current NZ Record, which is 4 days, 9 hours and 45 mins, and is currently held by Marlborough Endurance Athlete Craig Harper.

At this stage, Brendon is planning on flying via helicopter from Wellington to Queen Charlotte College, then coming through Tua Marina very early Sunday morning.

If you would like to get out and support him, he can be tracked in real time via the [Trackme NZ](#) website. It would be a huge boost to see and hear people cheer him on along the way!

Brendon has previously been a physio at Burwood Spinal Unit and has seen the vital and amazing work NZ Spinal Trust has been doing to help people, so along with his massive challenge and adventure, he is raising funds for NZ Spinal Trust. If you would like to donate also, please see the links below.

[Cape to Bluff Facebook Page](#)
[Fundraising Page - NZ Spinal Trust](#)



Integrity Pono

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Integrity / Pono

Being accountable means taking ownership of the decisions we make and accepting the consequences those choices come with. As we learn more about accountability this week, juniors are learning about the importance of 'owning up' to our choices and mistakes. Older tamariki are exploring more about how being accountable builds trust and credibility, helps with personal growth and achieving goals, resolves conflict, and is respectful!

Why not keep the learning going at home. You could use these questions as prompts for discussion / kōrero.

- "Everyone makes mistakes. It's what you do about it that counts". Do you think that's true? How does that connect with accountability?
- Why is it important that we are accountable for our own actions?
- Have you ever seen someone blame their choices on other people? What do you think about that? How did it make you feel? How did it make you view the other person?
- Owning up to a mistake or bad choice can be hard. Can think of a time you had to do it? How did you handle it?



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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.

House Points

| Whero | Kahurangi | Kakariki |
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| 1126 | 1077 | 1095 |

News from the Board of Trustees

Recently, we had our Board of Trustees Elections.

Jason Tillman (Parent Representative) has decided not to run again this year. A huge thank you, Jason, for the invaluable contributions you have made to our kura over the last 3 years.

We had two available spaces on the Board - and two lovely nominees!

Rosalind Mundy has been re-elected as a Parent Representative, as well as Steph Martella joining the Board for her first term! We look forward to having you on board!

KEGS

14th November Tua Marina KEGs Report

Many children from Tī Kōuka class had their first experience in the garden today. Discovering each garden bed and learning about the plants in them. Lots of watering took place and children learned how to weed and compost. Kai pai!



Term 4 - What is coming up?

| | | MON | TUES | WED | THURS | FRI |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 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 Kids Christmas Market - 300-700PM |
| Week 10 | 11 Dec - 15 Dec | Year 8 Dinner | | End of Year Assembly | | |

Christmas Hams!

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KIDS CHRISTMAS

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**GAMES, MUSIC, TREATS, FACE PAINTING
& CHRISTMAS GIFTS**

**JOIN US FOR A FUN AFTERNOON FULL OF
GAMES, SHOPPING, COFFEE AND SWEET
TREATS!**

DECEMBER 8TH

3PM TO 7PM

CASH ONLY





Santa Paws Drive

to benefit the SPCA and Marlborough 4 Paws
*From now through to December 14th, we
will be collecting items to help out our
furry friends*

*Donations can be
dropped off at:*

*Volunteer Marlborough
1 Market Street
Blenheim Central*



Cats & Dogs:

- Food
- Toys
- Food puzzles
- Harnesses
- Collars
- Blankets
- Beds
- Pet Nursing Bottles
- Cat scratchers
- Cat litter
- Litter boxes

Small Animals:

- Food
- Toys
- Food puzzles
- Harnesses
- Pet Nursing Bottles

Also

- Cash donations
- Vouchers

