

## Newsletter Week 2 Term 1 Friday 10 February 2023

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#### Principal Korero

Tēnā koutou

I am really excited about our whole school excursion to White's Bay that is happening next Friday for all children. A huge thank you to whānau who have offered to support this trip. Preschoolers are most welcome and must be under the supervision of their whānau. This will be a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with our wider school community, enjoy being together and have a lovely time.

For Years 1 and 2 children transport will be provided by their whanau. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 children will walk over the hill and Year 7 and 8 children will bike from the school.

My apologies for not meeting you in our School Assembly this week. Our Board of Trustees very kindly agreed that I can have time away to attend the Beekeeping Course that I am presently enrolled in. This means that I am away two Fridays this term.

Ngā mihi nui Janette Packman Acting Principal

Gemma here, as presiding member of the Board of Trustees, I have some very exciting news for our tamariki, our staff, and for our community. After a fantastic, bright, informative and entertaining interview, the Board was unanimous in appointing Nic Walker to the position of tumuaki/principal. Nic has spent the past few years over the hill in Tasman, but is excited to come 'home' with a wealth of knowledge, ready to jump into this principalship. He begins in Term 2, on the Teacher Only Day, April 24th. He's looking forward to meeting you all, April 26th.

Noho ora mai Gemma Franken

#### Important Dates

15 February Return Whites Bay Forms
17 February Pine Valley Tī kōuka
24 February White's Bay Day Whole School
6 March PTA Easter Raffle Tickets
6-8 March Mistletoe Bay Camp Year 5-6
7 March PTA Meeting School Hall 3pm
27 March Return ALL Easter Raffle Tickets
17 March Marlb Swimming Sports Year 5-8
6 April End of Term Assembly Last day of
Term 1

24 April Teacher Only Day25 April ANZAC Day26 April First Day of Term 2



#### Music Lessons at Tua Marina School

Bec Staples will be returning to school to teach singing and/or guitar. If you would like your child to have a lesson please give Bec a call directly on 0274924838. The first lessons will be held during school hours next week (Week 3).

If your child would like to learn the piano please contact Josie Robertson on 0211341959.

A paper copy of Pukatea Whites Bay Permission Forms and Information will be brought home by the eldest child in each family on Monday 13 February.

#### Ti Kōuka Year 0-1-2 Emily Morris Caroline Abbott





We have been busy drawing ourselves to make self-portraits and then creating borders to display our pictures. Please pop in to class to see the finished artworks.



Next Friday (17 Feb) we will be going to Pine Valley Outdoor Camp. Students will need their Tua Marina School sports top, togs, sunhat, good sports shoes, lunchbox and a drink bottle. Everyone needs to bring a named carseat too! As we are away we will not be having Whānau Time in Tī Kōuka next Friday.



Look out for the whole school Whites Bay trip (on Friday 24 February) notice coming home with the eldest child in the family early next week.



#### Year 3-4 Sarah Kerr

Kia ora Manuka whānau,

We have had a busy week of mahi, and everyone has made a great start to class routines.

Thank you everyone for making sure students have hats and togs every day.

A reminder that Homework Books should come back to school every Friday.-100% homework books back today!

I will send home a weekly timetable of classroom helpers next Monday in the homework books. Thank you to those who have offered to assist in Manuka class at 9am and 2:30pm.

Next week we are investigating writing as communication. We will be learning about fonts, the history of writing, spelling and the ways people communicate on paper. On Friday at 2:30 we will be writing secret messages, and whanau are welcome to join us.

If you have spare lemons, inks, quills (large feathers), or interesting magazines that we can cut up for fonts we would very much appreciate your donations.

We are still awarding the Kindness and Communication Cups so please make sure they come back to school for the next student asap. All library books back to school Monday.

Nga mihi nui Whaea Sarah and Manuka Class.

#### Rewarewa Year 5-6

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Kia ora e te whānau,

It was another busy week in Rewarewa where we welcomed two new students, Sofiya and Meika O. We have been taking our time to discuss the high standards that we want to achieve throughout the year.

We had Donna in on Tuesday to launch Kid's Edible Garden (KEGs) for the year. Hopefully the yummy produce made its way home, rather than being gobbled on the way.







It was great to see the students flex their maths, reading and thinking muscles this week with some good research and discussion on Te Tiriti o Waitangi and delving into some new maths ideas for some.

There will be information coming out about camp next week. Have a great weekend. - Julian

### Kowhai Year 7-8 <u>Aaron Harrison</u>



We have had a wonderful week in Kōwahi. The students were very interested in the Treaty of Waitangi and learning who was involved with signing the treaty. The national census is happening this year and in Kōwhai we will be taking part in the 'census at school' programme.

I have had a few students in my class who are interested in being part of the Otago Maths Problem Challenge. It is

challenging and there is a minimal cost to doing it. If you would like your child to be part of it, please have a look at the link below, then contact Mr H via email to confirm. Thank you.

Have a truly wonderful weekend, Mr H

https://www.maths.otago.ac.nz/pc/

# Problem Challenge

The problem solving competition for New Zealand Intermediate schools

#### PTA News

PTA ANNOUNCEMENT!!!

The Tua Marino School Fair is back  $\aleph$  Abbey MacDougall-Woodmore will be running our Christmas Fair for 2023 and we are very excited and grateful she has taken this on! Date to come...

Many thanks to all the people who supported our Christmas raffle as we raised over \$4000! This has enabled us to buy new Jump Jam resources, a new school flag, pool equipment and more...

The PTA's fundraising focus for 2023 and future years is a NEW school playground along with a number of other resources that our Tamariki will benefit from.

Enjoy the sunshine. Your friendly PTA

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