



Newsletter

Week 6 Term 2

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Principal Korero

Tēnā koutou,

Great to see the sun shining through over the past couple of days to dry the grass out and enable our tamariki to get in some training for the X-Country. You will see in the important dates that there are some exciting opportunities to come along, support, get involved in, and enjoy in the coming four weeks before term ends.

One of the things that I really appreciate coming to know here at TMS is just how much our people get involved in so many ways. Thanks to the PTA all of our students can access the upcoming Fundamental Skills Programme at a drastically reduced rate, our breakfast programme has been funded to support more students, a Disco is organised and a power of work has been underway to sort the Christmas Fair. Please look out for more info from them over the coming weeks about how we can all get involved in different ways so that our end of year event is a success and everyone gets a chance to be involved. Plans are underway for our community Matariki Celebration. The sausages and bacon are ordered, hot cuppa's are being organised and the staff are putting plans together that will see a day of festivities on Thursday 29th of June. As a community event we would love to see everyone there if possible, so if you know someone who is or has been part of our school or community life and might not know about it please extend the invitation to them too.

A big thank you to all the community in light of Wednesday's early finish so that staff could attend Paid Union Meetings. Although we realise the inconvenience of events like this to our community, we also appreciate the support that has been shown as we try to make the profession a better place for our staff and ultimately our students to further succeed in. So, again thank you very much.

We hope that you and the family have a great long King's Birthday weekend. Have fun and stay warm!

*Ngā mihi mahana
Nic Walker
Tumuaki - Principal*

Important Dates

5 June **King's Birthday - Public Holiday**

8-9 June Junior Year 0-4 Fundamentals

12 June Year 7 and 8 Technology

12-16 June Seniors Year 5-8 Fundamentals

22 June Cluster Schools' Cross Country

23 June DISCO 5:30 - 7pm School Hall

27 June PTA 3pm Meeting Library

28 June Cluster Schools' Cross Country
Postponement Day

29 June Matariki Celebration Breaky under the Stars

30 June End of Term Assembly **Last Day of Term 2**

18 August School Ski Trip

*Ha aha te mea nui, o te au
He tangata, he tangata, he tangata
What is the most important thing in the world
It is the people, the people, the people*

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

Kia ora everyone,

We have had a busy time writing this week with lots of progress being made. We are very proud of some of the writing that has been produced by the tamariki. Hopefully, you got to hear a few of these great sentences and descriptions in assembly today.

Over the coming few weeks we have some exciting things happening. Fundamental Skills is on Thursday and Friday (8th - 9th June) next week. The students will be taken to and from the stadium by bus, you're welcome to pop by for a visit to watch the tamariki doing their sport skills and swimming if you so wish. We leave school at 10:30 am each day on the bus, no reading books will be sent home on these days. **Students need a full lunch, water bottle, togs, towel, closed in running shoes and a jacket (it can get cold after our swim).**

Another event coming up on 22 June is the Cluster Schools Cross Country, we have started training for this and many students managed to get lots of the sticks that counted the number of laps they managed to do around the field. Awesome resilience and perseverance was shown today for this activity. This is an event we encourage parents to come and watch to support their tamariki.



Ngā mihi, Emily and Caroline.



Year 3-4 Sarah Kerr

Kia ora Whanau,

Another busy week in Manuka class and again thank you to all the wonderful teachers who are supporting our ākonga in their learning journey.

We are finishing up our display today on the voyages Kupe and many other navigators made across the pacific to settle in Aotearoa. The students have been super engaged and have made lots of insightful comments about how difficult it must have been for tangata whenua and how different their new home was compared to a tropical Pacific Island!

We are also completing our posters for the PTA Mid Winter Christmas Disco which is on the 23 June. Kanikani on!

It's a busy short week next week. We will be working every morning and focus on literacy. Homework, reading books and maths practice will come home on Tuesday.

Organisation: PLEASE could all students bring a named drink bottle every day. There are **NO WATER FOUNTAINS at school** and we currently have students interrupting their learning to visit the staffroom for a cup of water.

We are running every day so sports shoes are important (It would also be super awesome if everyone could learn to tie their shoe laces over the weekend!)

Monday - Ra Whanau Kingi Tiāre III, A day off school, even for the republicans.

Thursday/Friday Fundamental Skills at Stadium 2000.

I hope you all have a wonderful long weekend with your whanau and we'll see you on Tuesday.

Ngā mihi Whaea Sarah and Lorraine

Rewarewa Year 5-6

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Kia ora e te whānau,

Another week has just flown by and we are now over halfway through the term. With the Cross Country 3 weeks away, we started training this week so the students are well prepared. We have taken part in the Star Run, Fireman's Run and on Tuesday we timed how long it took us to run 4 laps around the field. Today, we ran those 4 laps in reverse order with a time advantage (based on Tuesday's results) for the slower runners. Some serious effort has been going into training in one week.



'I don't know how to make a paper plane.' - Charlie

'Can we test it out?' -Blake

'Don't throw it straight, throw it up!' - Alyssa

We dipped our toes into our new topic 'Let's make things better,' which is based around the Technology learning area of the curriculum. With a quick paper plane challenge I was already hearing some useful technology talk. There is a new project starting next week which will help the students understand and use the technology process.

Sadly today we said goodbye to Salma, who has been a part of Rewarewa Class for the past few months. We had some fun today saying farewell to her and we wish her all the best on her return to Wellington. Have a great weekend - Julian

Kowhai Year 7-8 [Aaron Harrison](#)

Kia ora Whānau,

I cannot believe how quickly this year has flown by. We are marching on into the second half of the year. This Thursday we have been very lucky in Kōwhai to have a special guest come in. We had Mr Corban, a professional Banker to talk to the class about finance and how this works in the real world.



The kids have been challenging themselves, pushing that little bit further each time with their cross country practice. We do two laps from the back gate, up to the top of Cemetery Hill and then back down again. Eventually we will be doing three laps.



Cross Country is coming up on the 22nd of this month, can we please have some parents volunteer as marshalls to be placed around the course.

Next week we will not have tech due to the King's Birthday. This will be moved to the week after on the 12th of June. Yes, there is a clash with Fundamentals though the kids will go to tech instead.

Senior Fundamentals is from the 12th -16th of June. The 7 and 8's will go to Fundamentals from Tuesday to Friday.



Enjoy your weekend- Mr H

Office News

*There are a lot of bugs going around at the moment, both general flus and Covid. If your family requires RAT tests, please pop in and see Amy in the office, I have a supply for our Tua Marina Whānau .

*A few of our tamariki are not bringing water bottles to school - these are a necessity. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school every day.

*Tua Marina is currently experiencing a head lice outbreak. Please remember to check your children's hair regularly. For more information please see the update on Hero.

*Congratulations to our Ākonga O Te Wiki!

Ti Kōuka- Maddison Palmer & Tuiti MacDonald

Manuka- Arlo Barnett

Rewarewa- Meika Couper & Annabel Costly-Neal

Kowhai- Ethan Abbott, Katherine Mundy & Peyton Couper

*House Points

Whero	Kahurangi	Kākāriki
213	203	278

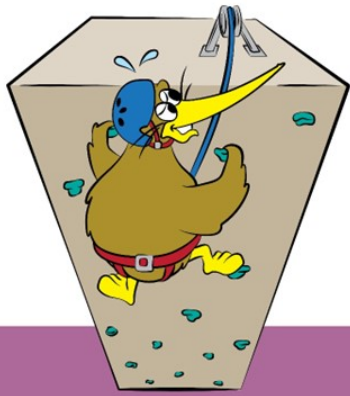
*Congratulations to our new house captains!

Whero - Stella Phillips (Captain) & Daniel Baker (Deputy Captain)

Kahurangi - Neve Banks (Captain) & Lucas Abbott (Deputy Captain)

Kākāriki - Benjamin Corban (Captain) & Liam Bown (Deputy Captain)

A really big **"well done!"** to all of our tamariki who stood up in front of their house and articulated why they should be chosen as a house captain. *You all did a great job and should be proud of yourselves!*



Resilience

Taikaha

Means coping
with challenges
and bouncing back.

THE KIWI CAN CORNER



Having strategies we can turn to when we get stuck can be very helpful. They help because they make us stop, breathe, and think about the problem - and they give us time to get in the right frame of mind before trying to be resilient and trying again. This week we are going to be practicing some of our problem-solving strategies.

Some things to talk about at home...

- Which of the strategies you talked about in Kiwi Can appealed to you the most? (This could be things like breathing techniques, singing a song in our head, "take 5", "use your WITS", pause breathe smile, etc).
- What are some of the ways problem solving in a *group* is different to problem solving by *yourself*? What sort of strategies come in to play - and what things do you have to bear in mind?
- How do we inspire others to take on challenges and be resilient?
- There is a Japanese proverb which says "Fall seven times, stand up eight". What do you think that means? Do you agree?



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*Congratulations to this week's Kiwi Can Award

Winners!

Ti Kōuka Group 1 - Finnian Waddington

Ti Kōuka Group 2 - Samuel Petersen

Manuka - Leo Bown

Rewarewa - Aaron Mundy

News from the PTA

*Information about the Disco will be coming home with the tamariki early next week - keep an eye out for the permission form.

*We are very excited to have the opportunity to provide funding for some exciting events happening at TMS - fundamentals over the next two weeks for the entire school, as well as funding for Breakfast Club two times a week.

*Christmas Fair planning is well underway, reach out to christmasfair@tuamarina.school.nz if you wish to volunteer, donate, or have any general questions!