



WEEK 7, TERM 1 -
15 MARCH 2024

Principals Korero

Tēnā koutou,

This week sure has been action packed. Just take a look at each of the classroom blurbs for a slice of all the action. On Tuesday we started our 3 year relationship with the Education Review Office (ERO) and our evaluation partner Carole Clarke. Carole and I spoke about our school context and history and what made us unique. We discussed the challenges that we face here at school and in the wider education context and how we as a community have created a new strategic plan for improvement. We celebrated the strengths of our context too which I responded He Tangata, he tangata, he tangata - Tis the people, the people, the people. That, when we face challenges our community comes in and makes a plan with us, that when we need a hand we only need to ask and our people turn out and that our staff are fully dedicated to Creating the Calm beyond - Hanga Atu ki te Tua Marino.

Yesterday I was fortunate enough to accompany Amy and Whaia Sarah on some training relating to the school's strategic goal 3: Creating consistent systems and practices that reinforce positive behaviours for learning. We met with 4 other schools undertaking the same journey supported by an amazing facilitator who used to be a teacher and principal in the Marlborough area. We had so many takeaways from the excellent professional development opportunity that we thought it best to start sharing these each week in this korero and with the students and staff during the week at our values hui.

One of the key discussion slides that stuck with us at the end of the day was:

In the past...

"If a child doesn't know how to read, we teach

If a child doesn't know how to swim, we teach

If a child doesn't know how to multiply, we teach

If a child doesn't know how to drive, we teach

If a child doesn't know how to behave, we teach?...punish?"

Here at Tua Marina School, we want to be teaching positive behaviours and relearning replacement behaviours just as we teach and relearn subjects. We would love to know your thoughts on this too.

Have a great weekend
Ngā mihi mahana
Nic Walker
Tumuaki - Principal

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2024 - What is happening?

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 8 18-22 MAR		Tech - Kowhai			
WEEK 9 25-29 MAR				Assembly- Rewarewa	Good Friday - School Closed
WEEK 10 01-05 APR	Easter Monday - School Closed	Easter Tuesday - School Closed			
WEEK 11 08-12 APR		Tech - Kowhai			End of Term I Assembly - Manuka

Term 2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 29 APR-03 MAY		Tech - Kowhai			
WEEK 2 06-10 MAY					
WEEK 3 13 - 17 MAY		Tech - Kowhai			Pink Shirt Day
WEEK 4 20 - 24 MAY					

Ti Kōuka

Leah Waddington - Year 0 - 1

What a busy week! The students had an amazing time with wheels day, gardening and Herald the Giraff. They have been learning about how to be kind, how to get ourselves back into a happy "green zone", and learning about how our actions can impact others.

The students have also been enjoying our maths time where I try to "trick" them by asking too hard of a questions. They all seem to love being challenged to find the before/after numbers, recognize number patterns and some have been loving our 3 minute adding at the start of every math time! They always ask for harder questions! With this amazing learning mindset they will be math masters in no time!



Makomako

Caroline Abbott - Year 2 - 3

Kia ora Makomako whānau,
Life Education

We visited Graeme and Harold twice this week. We learnt to recognise feelings, how we might feel in each of the 'zones of regulation' and how being in the green zone allows 'good things to happen'. Graeme shared a multitude of ways to help us regain emotional regulation when we have moved out of the green zone. We learnt that people may feel different about things e.g. tomatoes and that that is ok. We chose what actions or words would be considered as a warm fuzzy, or a cold prickle, which then might impact which zone of regulation our friends and whānau enter. Everyone loved seeing Harold!

♡ Words

Last Friday everyone earned either a sticker on their chart or a values certificate or a jellybean for learning their ♡ words for the week! Tino pai! Ngā mihi nui for your support with helping the students practise these words at home. Each week a new set of words will come home. Once learnt the words will be highlighted in green. Yellow highlighted words mean that they are still not embedded in the memory yet.



Tuiti practicing his heart words



Ngā mihi, Caroline

Manuka

Sarah Kerr - Year 4

Kia ora Whanau,

Thank you for everyone's forbearance this week while I was out supporting Rewarewa Camp and our new behaviour support training. From now the term is looking fairly settled so I'm looking forward to working hard with the tamariki.

Our last day of swimming is Tuesday 19 -Manuka Swimming Sports. Students are welcome to bring old clothes on Monday to practise water safety.

On Monday and Tuesday we visited Harold and did some great work on emotional regulation which we will work on further next week. Some extra activities courtesy of Life Education are in student bags tonight.

Again thank you for everyone's support with homework - I will share the results of today's spelling test on Monday.

We are working hard on telling the time using our new clock (thank you Lorraine) and here was the most interesting video of the week.

[Schiphol Clock](#)

Ngā mihi, Sarah Kerr



Rewarewa

Julian Mason - Year 5 - 6



It is without doubt the world's worst secret that this week Rewarewa's contribution is about camp. I will leave the detailed version for your discussion with your child, but here is a brief overview.

We put up tents, we biked, we played on the beach and found things, we biked again, we splashed in the pool, we ate amazing food, we owned the school at night, we played spotlight, we talked a little bit in our tents, we biked for a long time, we survived, some of us got injured, we danced, we sang karaoke, we gave things a go and challenged ourselves, we ate ice blocks, we laughed, we were sleepy, we took down tents, we had fun in Blenheim and we went home.

It has been an amazing and full on 3 days. I expect the students to sleep very well over the weekend. A very big thank you to Lorraine and Whaea Sarah and the awesome parent helpers that made our camp so special. Have a great weekend - Julian

Kowhai

Aaron Harrison - Year 7 - 8

This week in Kōwhai has been a really cool week for the kids. We have had a visit from Life Ed- Graeme who spoke to the kids about their brains and how they function, above and below the line behaviours, positive relationships with friends and families and the most important part the kids got to meet Harold. I don't ever think the kids grow out of wanting to see Harold.

On Monday we had Angel Wentworth come in and practice with the kids on the different activities we would be doing to test for the health of the Tua Marina River.

On Wednesday we had some amazing parent helpers come to the river to help with our testing, we did;

Turbidity Tube testing-Using the long 1m tube, moving the magnet down the tube while looking from one end then to say we could not see the magnet anymore. This would give a measure on how clear the water was.

Temperature- Measuring the temperature of the water. If the water is too hot less oxygen would be dissolved in the water. The fish do not tolerate hot water.

Kick Netting- Sampling the macroinvertebrates and other animals that live in the stream. By placing the net opening into the flow of the water and disturbing the rocks in front of the net with your foot helps to loosen the insects and other critters that then get swept into the net. Each critter has its own rating score. You use this score to help measure the water quality in the river.

Flow rate- This is a measure of how fast the river is moving. If the river is moving too slow the water will heat up and also have less of a chance to capture oxygen in the water. When moving at a medium to fast pace the water flows and bubbles of rocks oxygen is dissolved into the water and the temperature stays at a constant.

With all of this data the students are now going to analyse this in class and come up with a clear picture on how healthy the Tua Marina River is.

We will be doing this once every term to see any seasonal changes.

Reminders-

Tech next week on Tuesday- students wear their Tua Marina shirt.

Have a fabulous weekend, take care- Mr H



Financial Statements

If your tamariki is signed up for Summer Hockey, Summer Football, or Rippa Rugby please remember to pay these fees ASAP.

If you want statements of your account sent out more frequently than once per term, please talk to Amy.

Easter Bun Fundraiser

Another huge thank you to those who made some amazing sales with our Hot Cross Bun fundraiser!

These will be available to collect from the office on **Friday 22nd March - after 8:30am.**

PTA Easter Raffle

Please keep these coming in! Amy has already recieved a lot of returned forms, and everyone is doing amazing work.

Remember that if you fill your sheet - feel free to ask Amy for another to keep selling!

2024 Fundraising

In last weeks newsletter, Nic talked about a questionnaire coming out to all the Tua Marina whānau about our fundraising efforts this year. Please can you take a moment to complete this questionnaire, and let you know what you are able to help out with this year! The link below will also be on Hero.

[Fundraising Questionnaire](#)

Tēnā Koutou et te Whānau,

The year 7 and 8 students here at Tua Marino school are embarking on a new adventure with a programme called Evolocity. This is the first time it has come to the Marlborough-Nelson region.

The school will have to purchase an electric engine or if we are very lucky, since being a first time school, we may be gifted an engine. The students then build a vehicle around said engine for race day in October.

The aim is to stimulate innovation and awareness of electric transport and to learn about engineering, mechanics and electronics, alongside skills like teamwork, project and time management, communication and budgeting. The programme covers career pathways and students will meet inspiring industry leaders and learn about jobs and study options available. In October, teams come together with others in their region for a fun and exciting day where they can show off their vehicles, race on a real go-kart track and compete for various awards.

You can learn more about the programme on their website (Your paragraph text).

There is now a confirmed Marlborough Launch for 22nd March, 3:30pm – 5:30pm at Marlborough Boys' College. You'll be able to meet the Evolocity team and learn what programme is all about! This will just be a super low key visit and presentation, students, teachers and parents are all welcome. The event is free to attend and you'll be able to chat with our EVolocity team. Please bring a pen or pencil, a water bottle and a snack.

There is also a special visit from Evolocity on the 25th March at 9.30am in Kōwhai Class at School for any parents who would love to be involved in this project to come along and check it all out. Please we will need a lot of support from our school community to help with this project.

If you have any other questions or wish to put your name forward to help feel free to email Mr H on aaron@tuamarina.school.nz.

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05 March 2024

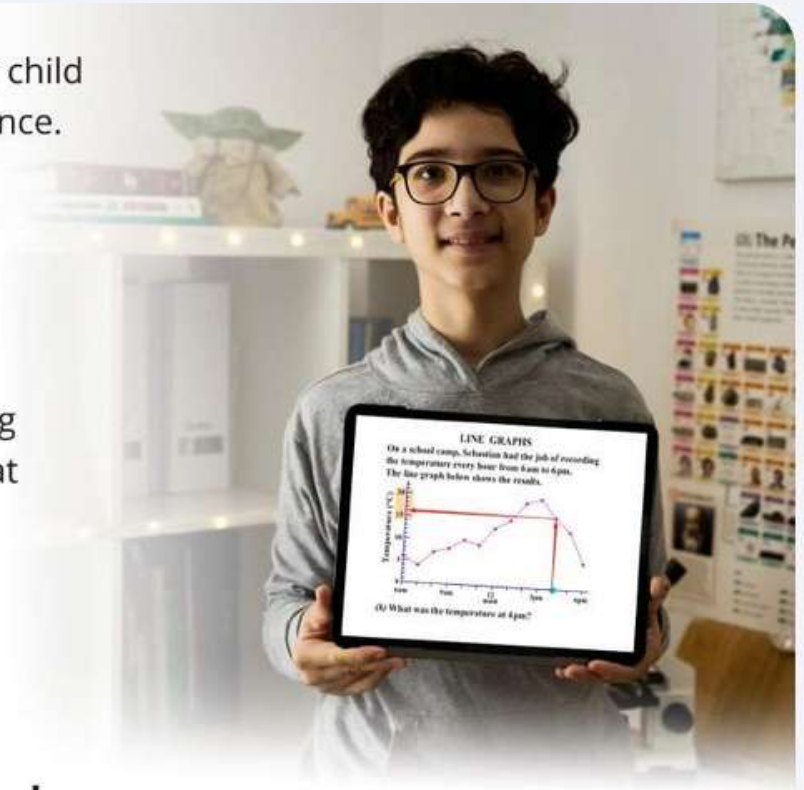


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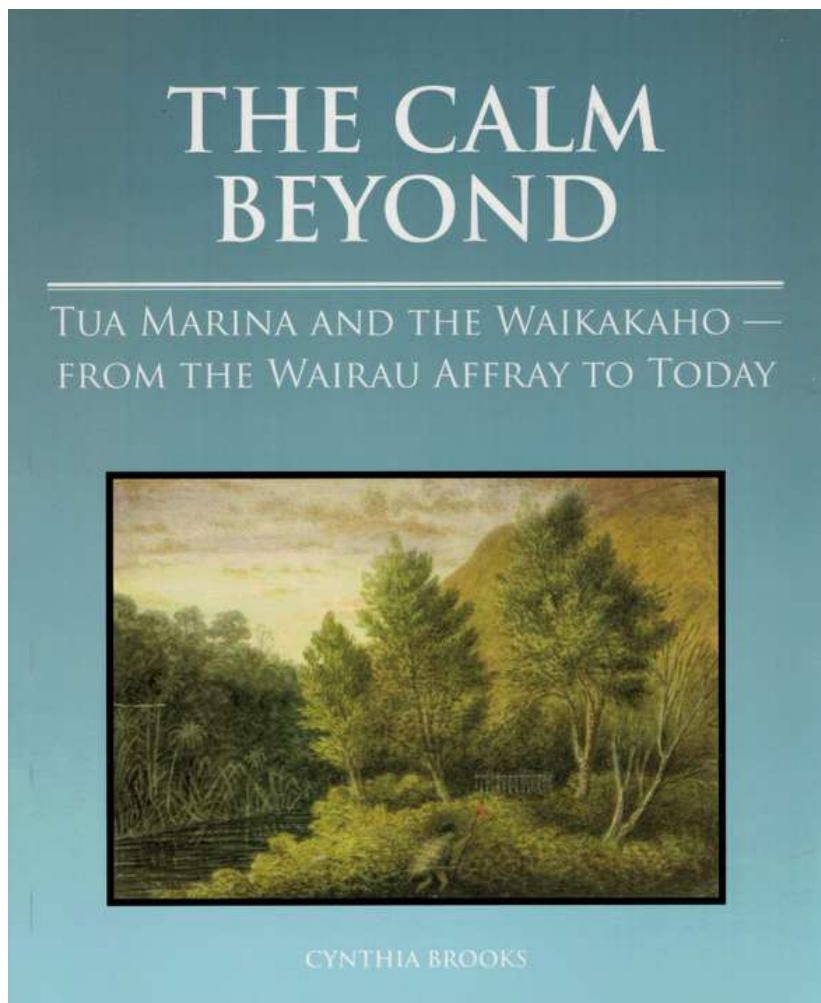
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