



# Tua Marina School

WEEK 9, TERM 3 - 20 SEPTEMBER 2024

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After weeks of practising - the choir did their final performance at the ASB theatre. It was a wonderful evening full of singing and dancing. The Tua Marino students represented the school so well and made Caroline and their parents extremely proud of their hard work and confidence.

# Term 3

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 10 23 - 27 SEPT					End of Term 3
					Assembly - Rewarewa

# Term 4

WEEK 1 14 - 18 OCT		TECH - KOWHAI	SCHOOL PHOTOS	HUI / HANGI	Pet Day
WEEK 2 21 - 25 OCT				Race Day - Evolocity	
				Taiopenga Y 0-3 2:15PM	Taiopenga Y 4-8 10:30AM
WEEK 3 28 OCT-01 NOV	LABOUR DAY	TECH - KOWHAI	GROUP DAY		TEACHER ONLY DAY
WEEK 4 04 - 08 NOV	MAD - SCHOOL CLOSED	RURAL ATHLETICS			
WEEK 5 11 - 15 NOV					
WEEK 6 18 - 22 NOV		YEAR 7/8 CAMP	YEAR 7/8 CAMP	YEAR 7/8 CAMP	YEAR 7/8 CAMP
WEEK 7 25 - 29 NOV					
WEEK 8 02 - 08 DEC					
WEEK 9 09 - 13 DEC	Y8 DINNER		Y6 TECH TASTER		EOY ASSEMBLY



# Ti Kōuka

Leah Waddington - Year 0 - 1

It has been a busy but fun week for Ti Kōuka! The students have filled up their marble jar, and so were treated with a class party on Monday at the end of the day! We were excited to share our party with students from Manuka.

LITERACY: Each student has a skill related focus. We have introduced the use of suffixes to the students, and some students are consolidating their understanding of spelling patterns when adding a suffix.

Other students are securing their understanding of long vowels when using a "quiet e"; while others have been introduced to the letters m and d.

WRITING: We have been learning that every story will have a "main character", a "problem" and a "solution or plan". We are attempting to include these in our writing stories while re-telling a story that we know well. We are also focusing on re-reading our story to make sure it makes sense.

MATHS: We have introduced greater, ( $>$ ) or less than, ( $<$ ) and equals ( $=$ ) signs, and discussed what they mean. We like to talk about the sign being a crocodile's mouth, of whom wants to eat the largest number.

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Ngā Mihi,  
Leah





# Makomako

Caroline Abbott - Year 2 - 3

Kia ora Makomako whānau,

## Writing

Our focus has been narrative (story writing). The tamariki have learnt about how to start a story as well as planning the various aspects of a story (characters, setting, problem, plan, actions and ending). We watched a short movie about a secret agent and a pigeon and it has been entertaining to read the stories that were created from this funny prompt.

## Expressing Ourselves

This week we had the chance to create self-portraits using resources from the forest. Some of the tamariki thought really carefully about the details that they needed to include.

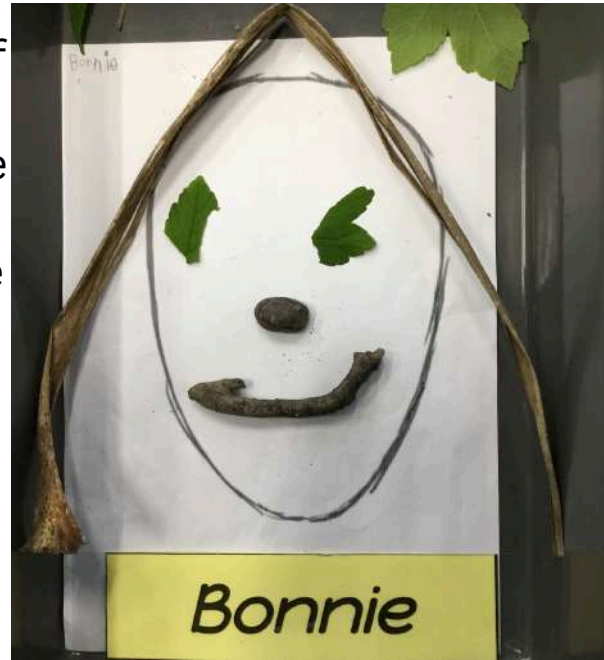
## Maths

Last Friday Makomako worked with Tī Kōuka to share their learning about maps. Makomako made journeys around the school grounds with instructions to follow. It was lovely to see the collaboration and enjoyment from everyone as the routes were followed.

## Taiopenga - Junior Kapa Haka

Tī Kōuka and Makomako have been working really hard on learning and perfecting their kapa haka performance. We will be going to MBC on Thursday 24 October for an afternoon performance in the hall. Please do come along and watch as Leah and I are so proud of the effort and confidence that the group is showing.

Ngā mihi, Caroline





# Manuka

Sarah Kerr - Year 4

Kia ora Whanau Whanau,

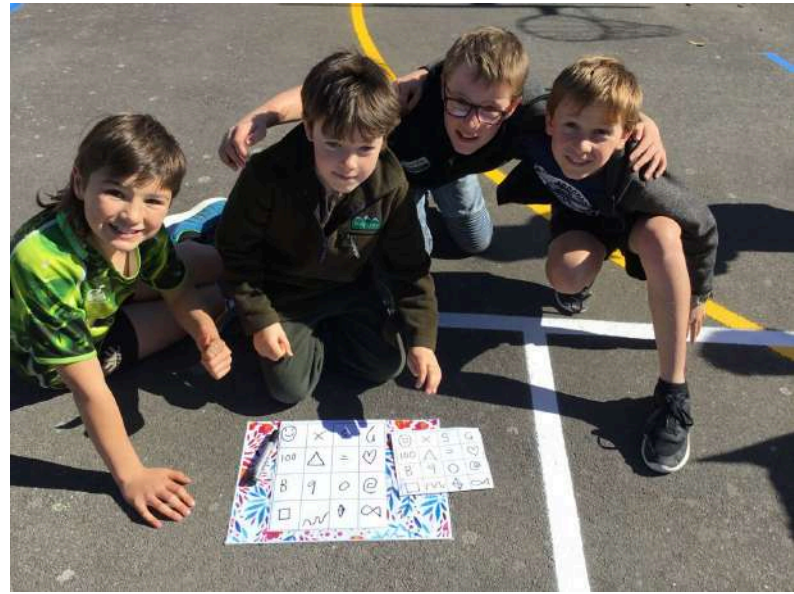
A gentle reminder that we ask that toys be left at home. I'm all good at helping Manuka tamariki keep track of (named) soccer, rugby, basketballs, scooters and helmets, but pokemon cards, fidget spinners, mini trucks and squishy toys etc. can be incredibly distracting to our learning. Thanks in advance for your support.

On Monday mornings after kapa haka, Manuka and Rewarewa often hiko up the Maunga to get some fresh air and stretch our legs. Lately we have been running and passing batters as prep for athletics. Last week we passed the batters through the whole two classes before we got to the hill run. Oma Amelia!!!

Amazing job at Assembly last week team and thank you everyone for being so flexible with me being away this week.

Also a special visitor this morning.

Nga mihi, stay well, Whaea Sarah





# Rewarewa

Julian Mason - Year 5 - 6

Kia ora e te whānau,

Can you believe there is only one week left in the term? It has been a busy time and I have had some students coming up recently as their Term Book has no pages left in it.

This week we started a project of creating artwork and explanations for the Māori Creation Story as a way to celebrate Māori language week. After viewing a video and using written information they worked in groups to create three panels to cover different aspects of the story. The finishing touches went on today and they will be going on display in the hall in time for assembly next week.

On that note we will be hosting assembly next week, so please come along if you have the time. We have talked about finishing the term with a shared lunch, so I will send out more information next week.

Have a great weekend - Julian





# Kowhai

Aaron Harrison - Year 7 - 8

Kia ora e te Whānau,

Over the last couple of weeks the kids have been very busy having trips out and in class with their work. The kids were excited to go out on Wednesday last week with the weather being great for us to do our Bird count down in Kahikatea reserve. Especially when we had to cancel our stream sampling trip the week before.

Angela Wentworth has sent through the results. The kids saw and marked down 24 Fantails (Piwakwaka), 13 Waxeye (Tauhou), 9 Tui, 5 Grey Warbler (Riroriro), a Karearea and a Harrier Hawk (Kahu) with a lot of other non-natives spotted as well.

The kids really got into it and Angela was really enthused to see how involved the students were and have invited us back next year for another count. Bellē and Ruby measured a couple of trees that we had planted last time to monitor their growth next time we visit.

The next day, Thursday, we had our Evolocity safety check at Marlborough Girls College. We loaded up the trailer with our carts and took them to the college.

The judges when through the vehicles, once they were mocked up to how they were going to look, and checked off everything. The kids did really well and the judges were pleased how the carts are coming on. **Please parents we are going to need a real big help to finish these vehicles. Time is counting down very fast. Please we will need help with electrical cables, Bolts and locknuts, electrical clips and other little bits to get these carts built for our racing which is in the second week of term 4.**

**We will also need help in transporting students to Nelson for the race day, please, please, please.** There maybe an email come out at the end of next week requesting students to come in to help with the carts. This depends on how well we go next week.

Have a great break, stay safe and take care of yourselves  
Thank you.  
Ngā mihi nui,

Mr H







What a great season of basketball these girls have had. The resilience they showed especially in the tough games was awesome. Their ball skills improved so much over the season, and they really came together as a team. A big thank you to Mr Mason taking them for lunch time practises, it was a huge help.

**Go the girls!!**

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**School Photos** are Wednesday 16th October - Week 1 of Term 4. Please reach out to Amy if you are wanting to have sibling photos taken.

**Hui & Hangi** is on Thursday 17th October - Week 1 of Term 4. Please take the time to fill out the RSVP form (even if you aren't attending this year) so that we can plan accordingly.

[Hui & Hangi Form](#)

**Pet Day** is Friday 18th October - Week 1, Term 4. Please can you take the time to fill out the [google form](#) so we can plan what judges we will be needing on the day. The full Pet Day Information booklet is on Hero. If you have any questions, please reach out to Amy.



With a new term fast approaching, please remember to reach out to Amy and confirm the bus days of your tamariki for term 4. Please also keep in mind, that only years 7 & 8 can sign themselves off the bus - all of our other tamariki must have an adult sign them off the list. This can be done by popping in to the office, or calling/email Amy.



# Pet Day - Pest Control

With the Government initiative of making Aotearoa New Zealand pest free by 2050 in mind, we have decided to include this category again. Eradicating pests from our beautiful country goes a long way to protect our native species, both animals and plants, for all of us to enjoy in the future.

This is a way to reward those of you who work hard to rid the country of these introduced species. The competition will run from 26th September - 17th October.

Here are the categories you can enter.

<b>Heaviest possum</b>	Photo must include the student participating and the possum on a scale with the weight clearly visible.
<b>Most possums</b>	Photo must include the student participating and the possum(s) with a date stamp attached to the photo from the camera/phone.
<b>Longest rat</b>	Photo must include the student participating and the rat ruler with the length (end of tail to nose) clearly visible.
<b>Most rats</b>	Photo must include the student participating and the rat(s) with a date stamp attached to the photo from the camera/phone.
<b>Most mice</b>	Photo must include the student participating and the mouse or mice with a date stamp attached to the photo from the camera/phone.
<b>Royal Flush</b>	This award is for any student that can catch a possum, rat, mouse, hedgehog and a mustelid (ferret, stoat or weasel). Photo needs to include the participating student and the pest caught with a date stamp attached to the photo from the camera/phone.

Please register your child and any photos by email to [julian@tuamarina.school.nz](mailto:julian@tuamarina.school.nz) and I will keep a record of all the participants and results.

As you need to send in photographs to confirm your catch, we are running the competition based on INTEGRITY, a value we promote at school. We would appreciate that there are no pests counted more than once or dodgy measurements.