



Koru News

• Term 2, 2024 •

Dates

- 29 April - Mihi Whakatau
- 6 May - Weetbix Triathlon
- 6 May - Koru Te Ahi Ora Fire Poi evening 4:30pm - 6:30pm
- 8 May - Year 3 Noho
- 15 May - Inter-School Cross Country
- 17 May - Electives Begin
- 20 May -23 May - Book Week
- 23 May - Book Week Parade & Assembly
- 24 May - Teacher Only Day
- 27 May - 31 May - Samoan Language Week
- 3 June - King's Birthday (school closed)
- 4 June - Mihi Whakatau
- 6 June - School Photo Day
- 27 June - Matariki Breakfast
- 28 June - Matariki (school closed)
- 1 July - Reports posted to SeeSaw
- 3 July - Parent Teacher Interviews
- 4 July - Parent Teacher Interviews school closing at 1pm
- 5 July - Term 2 Ends 3pm

Welcome Back! We hope that you had an enjoyable break.

Term 2 is a full one and we can't wait to share with you all our learning on SeeSaw.

On Monday May 6th, we will be working with Te Ahi Ora to *learn about fire poi*. There will be an opportunity to come to kura between 4:30-6:30pm to allow the tamariki to try out what they learned during the day, but this time with fire! You are welcome to bring the whole whānau.

Our inquiry exploring the concept of tāonga (treasures), and how these connect to our identities, whānau, kura and our Titahi Bay community continues in term two. Our focus in term one was more on ourselves and our whānau, but this term we will delve deeper into our Titahi Bay community and the tāonga around us. We will be taking walks in our local community, meeting local legends and learning about the history of our area. Each class will take responsibility for learning about one or two local tāonga in depth in order to teach the other Koru classes everything they know.

We are excited to meet with you all at *Parent Interviews* at the end of term but, as always, if you have any questions or concerns before then feel free to get in touch.

Here's to a busy, exciting, productive and FUN term ahead!!



We love to keep you updated with your child's achievements and we use Seesaw to do this. If you can not access Seesaw, please let your child's teacher know.

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Arts Rotations

This term, each class within our Koru hub will complete an arts rotation. This will mean a two week stint with each Koru teacher, giving the opportunity to have four distinct arts experiences:

Miss Hillier will teach dance.

Miss Haughton will do a craft project.

Miss Stevens will do an art project.

Mr O'Hagan will teach tī rākau.

Book Week

Book Week is coming up. We do lots of fun activities based around books that week - there will be a book swap and a Dress Up Day - it's great seeing everyone come to school dressed as their favourite book character. You can go out and get a costume, but it really is great if you are able to make one from things you have at home. There will also be the opportunity to borrow a costume from kura. Book week and especially the parade, are a highlight of the term.

Homework

Reading Daily: We strongly encourage your child to engage in daily reading at home with books from their boxes at kura, or of their personal choice from home. Record what is read in reading logs to share with the teacher. Consistent reading is key to developing excellent reading skills. *The importance of this cannot be overstated.* Signing up for a free membership at the Porirua Public Library provides you with access to a diverse range of books for your enjoyment. We also recommend a 10-15 minute stint on StepsWeb.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS TERM



You can contact your child's teacher either through their email on the side or via seesaw.

School website: titahibay.school.nz

