

NGAHERE NEWS

Term 1, 2024



Kia ora whānau, we are very excited to introduce the new Ngahere Team for 2024. We know it's going to be a jam packed year of fun, learning and leadership. How exciting that we get to work with your tamariki and guide them through their final years at our Kura.

Dates

FEBRUARY

7th - Mihi whakatau
15th - Meet the Teacher
evening 4:30pm 6:00pm
Pedal Ready
21st - 23rd - School
Camp for Year 6
students

MARCH

11th - Mihi whakatau 9:15am 29th - Good Friday (school closed)

APRIL

(school closed)

2nd - Easter Tuesday
(school closed)

6th - School triathlon

8th - Postponement

1st - Easter Monday

date for school triathlon

12th - Last day of Term

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS TERM

Camp - Year 6

Year 6 Camp is just around the corner in Week 3! In preparation for the camp, we will be dedicating time to focus on Camp Etiquette, covering essential skills such as setting a table and making a bed. Additionally, there will be cooking and team-building activities to enhance the overall experience.

This presents a fantastic opportunity for building relationships and stepping outside one's comfort zone.

The camp at the beginning of the year aims to foster connections and encourages students to bond with others beyond their usual friendship groups. It's a wonderful way to kick off their final year at our kura.

Year 5

We have again jumped at the chance to explore our beautiful piece of paradise with EOTC (education outside the classroom) with our Year 5s in week 3. This will include some hīkoi, activities outside of school and team building. Thank you to those whānau who indicated on the blanket consent form that they may possibly be able to provide support - we will be in touch very soon to confirm.

Be Sun Smart!

Term 1 is a Sun Smart Term. Please apply sunscreen before school if possible. We have sunscreen at school but encourage the tamariki to come to school prepared.

Please make sure your child brings a hat to school every day. If it is helpful they can always leave their hat in their tote tray.

Our school rule is - No hat No play!

Homework

The expectations for homework are outlined below:

Maths-Whizz: Your child is expected to complete three 15-minute sessions per week in addition to their in-class activities. If completing this at home is not feasible, we can accommodate by providing access to computers before school.

Reading Daily: We strongly encourage your child to engage in daily reading at home with books of their personal choice. 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.

Pedal Ready/Triathlon

The Pedal Ready crew will be returning to Titahi Bay School in weeks 1-3 to help build students' confidence and competency on their bikes. Students are encouraged to bring their own bikes and helmets for these sessions. We do have spare bikes for those who don't have one or can't bring theirs in.

This is an excellent lead-up to the school Triathlon happening this term! We can't wait to see your tamariki out and about in Titahi Bay, practicing for the triathlon. Sponsorship packs will be sent home in a few weeks, so please keep an eye out.

Seesaw

Seesaw is our Kura's primary communication platform. This is where you'll receive updates on classroom notices, upcoming sports registrations, whole-school events, and more. Please ensure that you are logged into Seesaw and that you have notifications enabled. We wouldn't want you to miss out on any important information.

Throughout the term, your child will share posts about their activities in various curriculum areas.

At the end of Terms 2 and 4, a leveled report for each child will be posted on Seesaw. This report will showcase your child's proficiency levels in Reading, Writing, and Maths, accompanied by a general comment from their teacher.





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