

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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KURA Ō MŌRERE



## TERM 3 2025 WEEK 6

Kia ora whanau

We are now halfway through our winter term and our students and staff are trying to keep warm. It is great to see our students outside enjoying the fresh air on our fine days.

Our students and staff are working in class on a arts based project about the maunga. This study involves all of our curriculum areas but with a focus on dance, drama, visual art and music. In term 4 we will be sharing our learning in an arts showcase at school. Parents will be able to come and see performances and artwork based on the classrooms learning.

In term 1 we unfortunately had to postpone our whole school Marae trip. We have a tentative date for term 4 however it clashes with junior swimming. The decision has been made to send our year 5 and 6 students out for the night and the year 4 students will come out for activities on the second day. We will plan for a whole school trip in the future.

This week we have had a visit from the Education Review Office. They come and audit the teaching, learning, policies, procedures and planning the school and the Board undertake. The conversations and evidence gathered helps the Education Review Office write a public report. I will share this with whanau when the final report is published. We had excellent feedback from the Review team and they recognised the amazing things our school does for the students and school community,



## OUR SCHOOL BOARD

At the close of nominations, we had the required number of parents to form a school Board. We would like to congratulate:

- Kristine Craddock
- Craig Thorne
- Viliami Sifa
- Sam Grover
- Penny Fitzpatrick

We are thrilled and thankful for your offer to support the governance of the school.

We also have a staff member on the Board along with the School Principal. Congratulations to Rachel MacAvoy our staff rep on the Board. The new Board takes office at our next meeting on Tuesday, 2nd September.

Thank you to our departing Board members for their hard work and commitment over the years.

Thank you:

- Hilary Takarangi (Presiding Member)
- Rachel Symons
- Sandra Powell
- Mark Dickie (finished at the end of 2024)
- Mick Ellem (Finished in 2024)
- Peter Horne (Staff Rep)

## CLASS PATU

During the school day all students can receive Taura Whiri tickets for showing our school values: Ako, Kaitiakitanga, Manaakitanga, and Whanaungatanga.

These tickets are collected in class and added up to find a winning class.

The champion class receives the school patu in our whole school assembly and have the responsibility to look after our taonga. Our patu was handmade by Brogan Knauf as a gift when he left teaching at our school.

Congratulations to Room 7 for their victory this week!

# KAPAHAKA FESTIVAL

'Te Puna Waikoropupū o Tarawhata' is our Kapa Haka Performing Group.

They will be performing at the annual **'Te Huihuinga Ō Ngā Tātarakihi Festival'** in Hawera on **Thursday 11 September at the TSB Hub**. The time of the performance is at approximately 12.45 pm.

We are having a dress rehearsal on the 4<sup>th</sup> of September at Devon Intermediate. The Devon Intermediate kapahaka ropu will also be performing.

All whanau are invited to come along to see our students practice. The rehearsal starts at 5.30pm. We wish them all the best with their performances.

## JUMP JAM TEAM

Our jump Jam team is off to Palmerston North this Saturday to compete in the regional Jump Jam competition. A team of 12 students with Miss Prentis are heading down to represent our school.

Thank you to the whanau who are heading down to support our students and Miss Prentis



## 100% ATTENDANCE

This year we have been celebrating students who have attended everyday at school each term. This term we had many students to honor in our whole school assembly. Congratulations to all these students.



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## DATES AND EVENTS

2025

Term 3

4 Sept

5 Sept

8 Sept

10 Sept

11 Sept

17 Sept

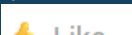
18 Sept

19 Sept

Kapahaka Dress rehearsal  
NZ Olympic Ambassador visit  
New Plymouth Cross Country  
Wig Wednesday  
Tatarakihi Kapahaka Hawera  
Taranaki Cross Country- Hawera  
Choir Performance  
End of Term 3

## LEARNING INFORMATION

All teachers share a regular recap of their students learning. This is found on HERO and contains what students are learning, what they are learning next and usually some pictures.

This information helps you understand what your child has been learning. It gives you a chance to have a chat with your child and help them be prepared for their next week. I would encourage you to  the posts and ask questions using the

comment button.

