



NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 2



Tahuna School



Learning For Life

Our School Pepeha

Pepeha is a way of introducing yourself in Maaori. It tells people who you are by sharing your connections with the people and places that are local to our area.

Ko Tainui te waka
My canoe is Tainui

Ko Mangawara te awa
My river is Mangawara

Ko Hapuakohe te maunga
My Mountain is Hapuakohe

Ko Waiti te marae
My Marae is Waiti

Ko Ngati Paoa te iwi
My tribe is Ngati Paoa

Ko Tahuna te kura
My school is Tahuna School

Principal's Comment - Welcome Back to Term 4

Kia ora Tahuna whaanau,

Welcome back to Term 4! I hope everyone enjoyed a relaxing break and are ready for an action-packed final term of the year. We have lots of exciting learning opportunities, events, and activities planned. I know our tamariki will embrace these with enthusiasm and a positive attitude.

Term 4 is always a busy and special time as we celebrate the progress, achievements, and growth of our tamariki throughout the year. It is important that we continue to make the most of every learning opportunity, show our Rural ICARE Values, and finish the year on a high.

Our Rural ICARE Value Focus this term is *Encourage*

Support others and celebrate each other's successes

Build And keep relationships by encouraging others

Encourage - Others to do their best

Take Actions - That support the learning of others

Take On/Accept - Encouragement from others

Ensure - Everyone is included

Celebrate - The success of others

As always, thank you for your ongoing support and the important role you play in making Tahuna School such a fantastic place to learn and grow.

Let's make this final term a memorable one as we continue Learning for Life, and finish the year Tahuna Proud!

Ngaa mihi,

Phillip Otto
Principal



End of Term 3 Awards

Outstanding and well done to our Term 3 class award recipients!

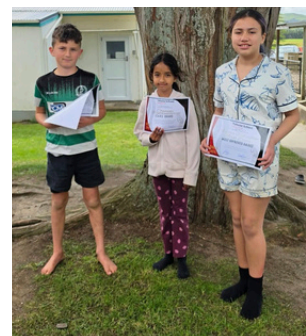
Endeavour: Most improved - Shiwanshi , Diligence - Maggie, ICARE - Nvonne

Endurance: Most improved - Savija , Diligence - Manaia, ICARE - Umair

Maungaturoto: Most improved - Abbie, Diligence - Hinemaurea , ICARE - Kwyn

Adventure: Most improved - Dilshan, Diligence - Madison , ICARE - Jayleigh

Discovery: Most improved - Aurora , Diligence - Marty , ICARE - Chanumi



Kiwanis Terrific Kids

The award is for five children who have displayed the Terrific Kids values of being respectful, responsible, friendly, inclusive, inquisitive, thoughtful, enthusiastic and capable. Awesome and well done kids!

Endeavour - Ronak

Endurance - Macy

Maungaturoto - Dixie

Adventure - Charlie

Discovery - Ubina



Reading Rotary Award

The awards were given to children who have shown positive progress in their reading. The award says congratulations you are on the way to becoming a life-long reader. Each child receives a \$20 voucher to spend at Paper Plus.

Junior - Ben

Middle - Florence

Senior - Ayla

Principal Award - Luka



Dates To Remember:

October

Fri 23rd - Group Livestock Day

Mon 26th - Labour Day
(School Closed)

Tue 27th - Teacher Only Day

Fri 30th - Waikato Show

November

Fri 6th - Gumboot Friday

Mon 9th - Rural Athletics
Tue 17th Pangarau a Piako
(Piako Maths Competition)

Wed 18th - Interschool Athletics

Fri 27th - Year 5/6
Waimarino Trip

December

Tue 1st - Year 6

Orientation Day

Tue 15th Last Day of
Term 4



Clothing Wanted!

Muddy puddles or a shower of rain doesn't stop our country kids from going outside! So much so, sometimes, they are in need of a change of clothes!

If you are having a clear out over the school holidays, we would love any donations of clothing - particularly in sizes 8-14. Shorts, t-shirts, pants, and sweatshirts would be greatly appreciated.

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Shout out to our ribbon sponsors for Livestock Day!



SHEWRY FENCING



Tahuna & Tauhei Combined Schools Livestock Day



Results

Livestock Day 2026 Results (All Schools)

Calves	
Shewry Family Trophy - Grand Champion - Overall Points	Archer Scherer - Tahuna School
Reserve Grand Champion	Eddie Gibson - Tauhei Combined School
Lambs	
Edward Family Trophy - Grand Champion - Overall Points	Ollie Woodham - Tauhei Combined School
Reserve Grand Champion	Brodie Lowry - Tahuna School
Kids	
Hansen Family Trophy - Grand Champion - Overall Points	Anika Hansen - Tahuna School
Reserve Grand Champion	Brody Latto - Tauhei Combined School



Livestock Day 2026 Results (Tahuna)

Calves	
Stanfield Cup Leading	Toby Vincent
Hampton Cup Rearing (Junior)	Doug Moore
Waide Cup Rearing (Senior)	Archer Scherer
Tahuna YFC Cup Dairy Type	Archer Scherer
Claymore Cup Rearing/Type	Archer Scherer
McGrath Cup - Champion Beef Type	Marty Edward
Lambs	
Aoranga Cup Leading (Junior)	Brooke Edward
Balme Cup Champion (Leading)	Brodie Lowry
Stuart Balme Memorial Trophy (Rearing)	Abbie Fransen
Pandora Trophy Most Obvious Pet	Abbie Fransen & Brooke Edward
Kids	
Tahuna School Cup Junior Leading	Hannah Edward
Tahuna School Cup Champion Most Obvious Pet	Anika Hansen
Chelsea Doelman Trophy Champion Rearing	Anika Hansen

Tahuna Overall Points Winners	
Rosella Cup Grand Champion Dairy Calf	Archer Scherer
Edward Cup Grand Champion Beef Calf	Jane McGrath
Adams Trophy Grand Champion Lamb	Brodie Lowry
McSweeny Trophy Grand Champion Kid	Anika Hansen



Morrinsville Schools **Livestock** Group Day

Friday October 23rd
9.45am

Invites those students and their animals who were awarded a placing ribbon (1st-6th) in calf, lamb or goat sections at their individual schools Livestock Day to join the fun at Morrinsville Group Day.



Students eligible to Enter must have attended their Livestock Day at:

- David Street School
- Morrinsville School
- St Josephs School
- Morrinsville Intermediate
- Tauhei School
- Tatuanui School
- Kiwitahi School
- Tahuna School



Entries must be completed prior to cut off date through your school – **ask them how to enter.**

Hope you can join us!



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ZOOPER DOOPER WEDNESDAYS!

SENIOR CAMP 2027 FUNDRAISER

\$1 each

ORDER BEFORE SCHOOL IN DISCOVERY ROOM EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING

FLAVOURS AVAILABLE:

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MORRINSVILLE RECREATION GROUNDS
Saturday 7th November 2026
Postponement Day Sunday 8th November

Gates open at **5.00PM**

ENTRY FEE
Family \$25 (2 adults, 2 children) | Adult \$10
Child \$5 (14yrs and under) | Under 5's FREE
Pay on the night or purchase your ticket early and avoid the congestion - available from 19th October at Morrinsville Info Centre

ENTERTAINMENT
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STARTS & FINISHES AT THE TAHUNA TAVERN

DATE: SUNDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2026

ENTRY: \$25 PER PERSON
WISHING TO PLAY THE HAND OF POKER

PRIZES: PRIZES FOR WINNING HAND PLUS SPOT PRIZES

STARTING: 11AM
REGISTRATION OPEN FROM 10

REGISTRATION: We encourage email registration to help efficiency on the day

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New Enrolments

If you are aware of a family who is considering a well rounded and supportive education we invite them to come in and have a look at our school. Please contact the school office for enquiries on 0273336186 or admin@tahunaschool.school.nz.

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