



NEWSLETTER - TERM 1 - WEEK 6

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 Message

Congratulations to all our children who took part in our annual school swimming sports. Its awesome to see the wonderful progress you have all shown in the pool! I am very thankful that our BOT is invested in ensuring our school pool is open for swimming and learning water survival skills. Big thanks to the fantastic support received from our parents who were in attendance as well as to our FOS for a yummy bbq. Big thanks to all our tamariki and parents who helped at poolside. Also a big thank you to Mr K for his organisation of another successful sports event, and staff for your positive contributions towards your swimming programmes and school swimming sports day.

Class awards

Congratulations to all our children who received an award at our assembly.

Endeavour - Mana and Leo

Endurance - Anika and Brodie

Maungaturoto - Bruno and Lucas

Adventure - Dominic and Sonika

Discovery - Logan and Zane

Rural ICARE Values Cards

Great to see many of our tamariki displaying our Rural ICARE Values.

Values Box Winners - Liviana, Sonika, Fletcher, Ridge and Lennox.

Mr K (All values) for organising the senior swimming sports - Te Totara

Matai (Challenge) for winning the relay - Matai

Zoe (Challenge) stepping out of your comfort zone and taking on a challenge - Te Totara

Soul (Respect) helping his peers when they are unsure what they are meant to do - Rimu

Aurora (Respect) staying and helping younger students when they were stuck and scared. You definitely made them feel ok - Rimu

Our Strategic Focuses for 2024

Grow achievement for our children.

Annual Aim 1

The actions we will take

- Grow achievement for our children in literacy and mathematics, integrated throughout the whole curriculum.
- Grow achievement for our priority learners.
- To grow staff capabilities.
- 1 hour of reading, writing and maths taught daily.

To strengthen partnership with our community.

Annual Aim 2

The actions we will take

- To ensure effective communication with our community.
- Support the home and school partnership by working closely with our parents and whanau (Tahuna Mahi Tahu)

To develop our Tahuna School localised curriculum.

Annual Aim 3

The actions we will take

- To develop a curriculum that is valued by our children, staff, parents and wider community which reflects our people, values, goals and our ICARE Pathway (Graduate Profile)
- To continue to offer rich curriculum learning experiences.

To implement ways to take care of our well-being.

Annual Aim 4

The actions we will take

- To ensure we support our children and staff with their well-being.

House Leaders

Congratulations to our new house leaders for 2024. We look forward to seeing you develop your leadership skills and supporting your house!

Kauri - Eddie and Lewis

Totara - Zane and Zoe

Matai - Ridge and Jack B

Rimu - Paesyn and Marley

Chromebooks

To support our focus on increasing our ICT resources for our tamariki to use, we have purchased 10 new chromebooks for Maungaturoto room. Our tamariki and Mr K are looking forward to using these devices soon.

School Policies – SchoolDocs

Our school policies are on a website called School Docs. School Docs provides us with policies, which have been researched and follow the Ministry of Education guidelines. The website is: <https://tahuna.schooldocs.co.nz>. The username is: tahuna and the password is: cares

Dates to Remember

Term 1

- **11th March (Mon)**
EPRO 8 Classroom Week
- **22nd March (Thur)**
Vision and Hearing Test
- **25th March (Mon)**
St Johns Training
- **26th March (Tue)**
St Johns Training
- **29th March**
Good Friday
- **1st April**
Easter Monday
- **2nd April**
Easter Tuesday
- **5th April (Fri)**
School Photos
- **12th April**
Last Day of Term 1

***Ngaa Mihi
Phillip and Staff***

Tahuna School and Inter-School Swimming Sports

Tahuna held a very successful swimming sports day on Thursday 29th February. Congratulations to all the swimmers who participated and gave their best, each one winning points for their houses. A special congratulations to Matai for placing first overall with Rimu a close second, by only 2 points! Thank you to Nick and Sarah for offering their time to help out as officials.

On Tuesday 5th March, 17 of our swimmers represented Tahuna School at the annual Morrinsville Inter-School swimming event. Our tamariki did us proud placing in the top 4 in many finals. Thank you to all the parents that helped with transport and officiating. As a small country school we rely on parent support throughout the year.

Congratulations to all swimmers throughout this term with your achievements, from putting your head under the water for the first time or swimming in the deep end for the 1st time or for swimming a full length of the pool without stopping, you can be proud of yourself.

House Points from swimming sports

Matai - 102 points

Rimu - 100 points

Kauri - 81points

Totara - 79 points





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GIRLS

AGES 6-8
16TH MARCH 2024
10AM-11:15AM

GIRLS

AGES 9-12
16TH MARCH 2024
12:00-1:30

BOYD PARK, STANLEY AVENUE, TE AROHA

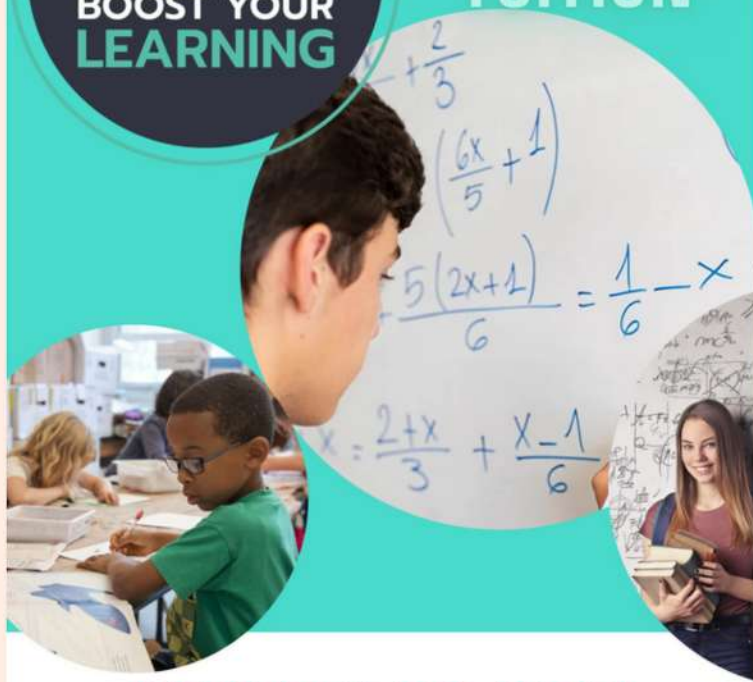


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