

TE KOPURU SCHOOL

Week 3

16th February 2024

Ngā mihi mahana atu ki ngā Mātua katoa

Warmest greetings to all Parents/Caregivers

Dear Parents, Whanau, and Caregivers,
We hope this newsletter finds you well and that the start of the school year has been a fantastic one for you and your families. It has certainly been an exciting time here at Te Kopuru School, and we are thrilled to share some of the highlights with you.

A Great Start to the Year: We're off to a fantastic start, with the school buzzing with energy and enthusiasm. It's been heartwarming to see both new and familiar faces settling into their routines, creating a positive and vibrant learning environment.

Farewell to Whaea Andrea: It is with mixed emotions that we announce the resignation of Whaea Andrea. While we are sad to see her go, we are excited for the new chapter she is embarking on - building a house on her land in Norsewood. Whaea Andrea has been an integral part of our school community, and her dedication and warmth will be greatly missed. We extend our heartfelt thanks for the invaluable contributions she has made during her time with us.

Welcome Kerryn Kareko - Our new Office Administrator:

On a positive note, we are pleased to introduce Kerryn Kareko, who has stepped into the role of Office Administrator. Kerryn comes to us with a wealth of experience and enthusiasm, and we are confident that she will continue to uphold the high standards set by Whaea Andrea.



New Additions to the Te Kopuru School

Whanau: We extend a warm welcome to our new staff and students, who have seamlessly become part of our school community. Their presence has added to the diversity and richness of our learning environment.

Poutama Sleepover: The Poutama sleepover was a tremendous success, filled with laughter, games, and new friendships. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to bond and create lasting memories.

Senior School's Trip to Waitangi: Our senior school had the privilege of visiting Waitangi, deepening their understanding of New Zealand's history and heritage. It was an educational and culturally enriching experience for everyone involved.

Water Safety Lessons: Ensuring the safety of our students is a top priority. Water safety lessons have been an essential part of our curriculum, equipping our akonga with valuable skills for life.



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Generous Donation from Bunnings: We were delighted to welcome Bunnings to our school, who generously donated equipment and tools. This support will undoubtedly enhance our learning experiences across various subjects.

Congratulations to Whaea Tui: A special congratulations to Whaea Tui for winning the Citizens Award for 2023. This recognition is well-deserved, reflecting her dedication and positive impact on our community.



STEAM Resources: Exciting times lie ahead as we introduce new resources, including our fantastic STEAM resources such as the Sphero Indi robots. Watch as our students engage in innovative and hands-on learning experiences.

Upcoming events

- **Whakawhanaungatanga (Team Building) Activities:** Join us on Thursday and Friday for team-building activities, including a picnic on Thursday evening. Bring along your whanau and enjoy some quality time with the tamariki.
- **Swimming Sports:** Our akonga are gearing up for swimming sports, with our school event on March 14th and the Northern Wairoa event on March 22nd. We encourage everyone to come and cheer on our talented swimmers.

Important Reminders:

- Please keep the bus bay clear for the safety of all students.
- Use the crossing at all times to model safe behaviour for our students.
- Year 7 & 8 Immunisations

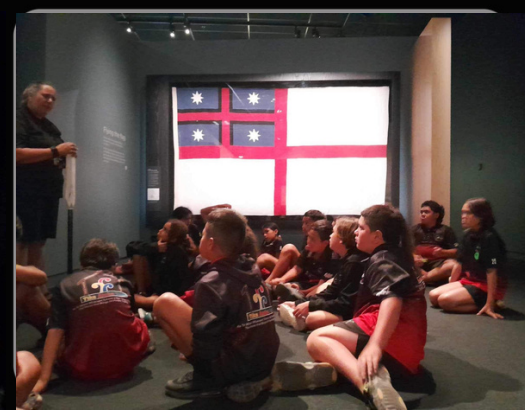
We invite you to join us during Whakawhanaungatanga days and other events to actively participate in the school community. Your involvement and support are invaluable to us.

Thank you for your continued partnership in fostering a positive and nurturing learning environment at our kura.

Ngā mihi
Lisa Greville
Tumuaki/Principal









Term 1 Events Calendar

	Rāhina Monday	Rātu Tuesday	Rāapa Wednesday	Rāpare Thursday	Rāmere Friday
Week 1 29/1 - 2/3				Term 1 Begins	
Week 2 5/2 - 8/2	Teacher only Day	Waitangi Day	Powhiri	Poutama Sleepover	Waitangi Trip Seniors
Week 3 12/2 - 16/2			Our kids online DHS 6.30		Water Safety Programme
Week 4 19/2 - 23/2				Whakawhaungatanga Activities Whanau Picnic 6pm	Whakawhaungatanga Activities
Week 5 26/2 - 1/3			Hearing & Vision		Water Safety Programme
Week 6 4/3 - 8/3					Water Safety Programme
Week 7 11/3 - 15/3	Sailing - Seniors	Sailing Seniors		TK Swimming	Water Safety Programme
Week 8 18/3 - 22/3					NW Swimming
Week 9 25/3 - 29/3		Year 7 & 8 Immunisations			Good Friday
Week 10 1/4 - 5/4	Easter Monday	Easter Tuesday			
Week 11 8/4 - 12/4					End of Term

