#### Kia ora e te whaanau,

Just like that, we are heading into the final week of Term 3! It has been a busy and productive term with many valuable experiences for our aakonga.

### Coming up next week:

Wednesday – Cultural Day: This will wrap up our Term 3 kaupapa. We look forward to seeing you all there to celebrate together.

Thursday – ERO Visit: The Educational Review Office will be conducting their 3-yearly review. We are excited to share the progress of our journey in supporting aakonga to achieve their full potential.

Friday – Student Conferences: Please remember kura is closed on this day. It is vital for your tamaiti to attend alongside you at your booked time slot. A huge mihi to the class that already has 100% bookings! If you haven't yet, please book through the Hero app or contact the office.

### **Uniform Update:**

The Board has confirmed our new school uniform. Prototypes are currently being made, and once finalised we will share how the rollout will take place across 2026–2027.

The enrolment scheme for Ngaaruawaahia Primary School WILL take place on MONDAY 06 October, 2025. You can read more on the Ministry of Education's website here: 

https://www.education.govt.nz/have-your-say/ngaruawahia-proposed-enrolment-schemes/details

The NPS team wishes everyone a safe, restful, and healthy holiday break. We look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday, 6 October for the start of Term 4.

Ngaa manaakitanga, Matua Murray and the NPS team



loved the surprise of the color run at the finishing line. Puaawai Rua and Toru came out to support and cheer them on. This week we were all involved with planting 750 trees for our school ngahere. The tamariki each tagged a tree with their names so they can watch their tree grow.







In preparation for our upcoming Cultural Day, our class has been exploring the rich visual language of Sāmoan design and applying digital technology skills to bring tradition and creativity together. Students have been learning how to use digital design tools to create their own graphic patterns inspired by traditional Sāmoan motifs. These digital designs are then being transformed into stencils using our kura's laser cutter. The stencils will be used in a hands-on collaborative

art project.





We started in March and throughout Term 2 and Term 3 our teams played netball on Wednesday evenings in Taupiri. A HUGE Thank you to everyone who supported our players, our coaches, managers and umpires, but also our whaanau who contributed to our fundraisers and also transported our tamariki.

Our prizegiving was a successful evening, celebrating the players and their teams, with trophies, awards and kai. As an "end of season" treat, we all went to Ninja Valley thanks to the successful fundraising activities. Thanks to



# WHANAKEE

Over the last couple of weeks Whanake students have been participating in Cross Country, and Athletics with KiwiCan. We have been learning how to run fast in sprints, and how to correctly throw a shot put by Matua Terry. Also, we have been helping to prepare for our school ngahere and outdoor learning space.

We have done this by spreading mulch in the ngahere area.



Participating Hangarau(Technology) While our senior students were off enjoying Sports Camp, some lucky Year 5 and 6 students got a special treat – a day in the Technology room! They spent the session learning new skills as they designed and built their own Jacob's Ladder, a traditional wooden toy. Students measured, cut, sanded, and decorated wooden blocks before assembling them with ribbon and a staple gun. Along the way, they practised maths (accurate measuring), science (movement and tension), creativity (personal decoration), and teamwork, all while learning to work safely with tools. Best of all, they each took home a working toy they'd made themselves!



Ngāaruawāahia Primary's First-Ever Colour Run!
What an incredible day we had at our school cross country event last week! With bright skies and even brighter colours, we held our very first Colour Run, and it was an absolute blast! Our tamariki ran, laughed, and were absolutely covered in colour by the end of it. It was fantastic to see the smiles, determination, and house spirit throughout the day. A huge congratulations to all our students for giving it their best and embracing the challenge.







## Interschool Cross Country Results

We're also incredibly proud of the students who represented our kura at the Interschool Cross Country this week. They showed awesome grit, sportsmanship, and mana out on the course. You made NPS proud!



**NPS Individual Interschool Results** 

8 year old girls Maria letaake -Teatao 3rd Place

10 year old girls Ataahua Emery - 2nd Place

10 year old boys Mohi Maru-Crosby - 2nd Place

12 year old boys Jahlun Davidson - 1st Place

13 year old girls Waitaororangi Gerrald - 3rd Place

13 year old boys Wiremu Cooper - 3rd Place



This year's overall winners on points:

1st - Waipa
2nd - Ngaaruawaahia Primary
3rd - St Paul's
4th - Bernard Fergusson



- \*B.O.T Hui
- \*Newly elected B.O.T
- \*Cultural day
- \*Learning Conferences
- \*NO SCHOOL FRIDAY 19th
- \*SCHOOL RESTARTS 06 OCTOBER - TERM 4!!!!!!

### COMMUNICATION LINES

















Current school roll =161