



# Ngaruawahia Primary School

"Mana te Tuatahi"

\*Manamotuhake \*Manaakitanga \*Kotahitanga \*Whakapiringatanga

26 January 2024

Kia Ora e te whaanau,

Nau mai haere mai.

Welcome back to our NPS whaanau and huge NPS welcome to our new whaanau. We hope you've had a great summer break filled with fun and laughter before we embark into a year of new learning and experiences.

The NPS team are pumped, energized and excited to be welcoming tamariki back on Tuesday 30 January. They have been working hard on getting the kura ready and preparing an exciting and enriching learning programme for Term 1. WE CAN'T WAIT TO START!!

As we begin Term 1, this panui will provide you with some important information and dates to keep you in the loop. Don't forget to keep connected with skool-loop, classdojo and our facebook which keeps you up to date on what's happening in the kura.

I would like to welcome Whaea Iriaranga Panapa and Matua Peter Nolan to the NPS team. Whaea Iri will be working across a range of classrooms releasing kaiako and Matua Peter will be at Technology for a few days each fortnight.

## Term 1 Calendar

Tuesday 30th January	Kura Starts
Monday 5th February	Teacher Only Day - Kura Closed
Tuesday 6th February	Waitangi Day - Kura Closed
Friday 1st March	NPS Swimming Sports
Friday 29th March	Good Friday - Kura Closed
Monday 1st April	Easter Monday - Kura Closed
Tuesday 2nd April	Easter Tuesday - Kura Closed
Friday 12th April	Last day of Term CYC Whaanau day
Koopapa dates are yet to be confirmed.	

## Some key information:

### **OFFICE AND SCHOOL HOURS:**

Kura starts at 9am and finishes at 3pm each day. All tamariki leave kura through the hall gate at the end of each day.

**Office hours: 8:30am - 3:30pm.**

### **STATIONERY:**

The kura provides stationery to all ākonga. There is no need to purchase any stationery items.

### **SWIMMING:**

Swimming will be happening this term. Please bring your togs and towel each day.

Senior classes will be walking down to the town pools for instruction.

### **CELL PHONES:**

Ngāruawāhia Primary has a **NO CELL PHONE** policy. These will need to be collected from the office, by whaanau, if confiscated. The office can be contacted if you need to communicate with your tamariki.

**UNIFORM:** Ngāruawāhia Primary has a uniform and it is expected and required to be worn every day, except on Wicked Wednesday where house colours are worn.

- NPS polo shirt, PLAIN black pants/shorts and any footwear.
- Non-uniform items (mufti) will need to be collected from classroom kaiako.
- If tamariki are put into the correct uniform at kura, these items will need to be returned or an invoice will be sent home.
- Please come and talk to the office team if you need any assistance with uniform items. We are here to help

### **VAN SERVICE:**

The van service has become a huge cost for the kura to continue to run under its current form. This week, we sent out a notice to our regular van users around the new areas our van will service and the small cost that will be required to use the service. Please speak to the office or Matua Murray if you have any concerns.

### **LUNCHES:**

Lunch is provided everyday. For Term 1, we are lucky enough to have Pita Pit as our provider. In Term 2 we hope to move into an internal model which means the kura will make our own lunches. The hall kitchen is currently being remodeled so we can provide this service.

We also have fruit available each day.

Again, we are looking forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday and are excited about what Term 1 has on offer. As we continue to work together for the best outcomes of our tamariki, if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact your classroom kaiako or come and have a koorero with me.

Have a great long weekend, keep safe, catch some waves, enjoy the sun and we will see you next week!

Noho ora mai

**Matua Murray and the N.P.S team**

## Ngāruawāhia Primary Staff 2024

Senior Leadership Team		Administration Hub	
Principal <i>Whanakē + Weka Leader</i>	Murray Borrows	Office Manager / Principals PA	Raewyn Tarawhiti
Associate Principal: Guidance and Learning Support <i>Puāwai + Huia Leader</i>	Kim Rangihika	Student / I.T Administrator	Hohi Moeke
Associate Principal: Operations and Pastoral Care <i>Puanga + Kiwi Leader</i>	Maggie Gillies	<u>Learning, Behaviour and Well-Being Support Hub</u>	
Associate Principal: Technology & Wellbeing <i>Hangarau + Tui Leader</i>	Pratima Achari	Learning Assistant	Ann Rota
<u>Puāwai (Years 0-3)</u> Whaea Kim - Hub Leader		Learning Assistant	Hohi Moeke
Puāwai Toru Year 2	Kim Rangihika Hinengakau Potaka-Osborne	Learning Assistant	Mazina Ponga
Puāwai Rua Year 1-2	Celeste Clark-Robinson <i>Literacy Lead</i>	Learning Assistant	Jackie Apihai
Puāwai Tahī Year 0-1	Ruki Simon <i>Te Ao Māori Lead</i>	Learning Assistant	Lisa Joyce
<u>Puanga (Years 3-6)</u> Whaea Maggie - Hub Leader		Learning Assistant	Ryan McLaren
Tautoko Akoranga (Rm 4)	Learning Support Room	Learning Assistant	TBC
Puanga Tahī Year 3	Keana Ronquillo	Social Worker (SWIS)	TBC
Puanga Rua Year 4-5	Maggie Gillies Clint Storer	Counselor	Andrea Baker
Primary Release Teacher	Iriarangi Panapa	Youth Officer	Thomas Pearce
<u>Whanakē (Year 6-8)</u> Matua Murray - Hub Leader		Nurse	Airiini Hopa
Whanake Tahī Year 5,6,7	Coby Nahu <i>DigiTech Lead</i>		
Whanake Rua Year 7-8	Tuku Huirama <i>Sports Lead</i>	<u>Property Hub</u>	
Akomanga Iwa	RTLb Office	Caretaker	Preston Maru
		Cleaner	Ann Rota
<u>Te Whare Hangarau</u> Pratima - Hub Leader		Cleaner	Mazina Ponga
Food / Textiles	Pratima Achari	<u>School Lunches</u>	
Bio-technology	Johnny Regnier	Kitchen Manager	TBC
Electronics	Scott Callis	Kitchen Assistant	TBC
Hard Materials	Clint Storer Peter Nolan		