# Te Kamo School

**Term 3 - Panui 9th September 2026**

**Pānui - Term 3 - Week 8, 2026**
Kia ora koutou, Guten tag, Bula, Nǐ hǎo, Mingalaba, Namaste, Greetings, Sàwàtdee, Hallo, As-salām 'alaykum, Ní hǎo, Néih hóu, Konnichiwa, Chôm rab suôr, Tālofa, Hola!, Kumusta, Mālō e lelei, and Kia orana.
Welcome to Te Kamo School!

**Thank you for supporting our Teacher Only Day**
Thank you for your support with our Teacher Only Day last Friday. We do realise it puts pressure on you, however we have made some great gains of resources and information we need to use to support your child. Please know you can always ask your child's teacher about our Teacher Only Days.

**Thank you for supporting our trips to the Museum**
A huge and sincere thank you for supporting our trips to the Museum over the past few weeks. They were really successful and we could not have done the trip without your help and support.

**Our Ngā Akomanga Hāpai Classes**
This year, and the previous years, we have had two Māori elevation classes at Year 5 and Year 6. Expression of Interest for Year 5, 2027 have been sent to whānau. In 2027 we will have two classes at Year 3 and Year 4 that will focus more on developing te reo Māori in preparation for Years 5 and 6. Our Year 3 and 4 classes will not have the exact same focus as our Year 5 and 6 classes, however they are aiming to grow further te reo Māori and a greater understanding of tikanga. If you wish to discuss this, please contact Sally Wilson.

**Attendance**
Illness presently seems to be never ending, but in some cases students tell us they were allowed to stay home. We are saddened to hear this and we always offer our support if you need to talk things through; please make contact.

**Property Work Around School**
Work has begun on our swimming pool area. We are having the changing rooms and toilets refurbished, as well as a new fence put in place. We also have a learning area being revamped as well. It is a small room where a teacher supports learners. This is paid for through our property grant and we have to invest in the constant maintenance of the school.

**In the School Grounds After Hours and on Weekends**
Our school gates are kept unlocked after hours and on weekends. The public freely comes through, plays on the turf, playgrounds and fields. But this is coming at a cost of vandalism and wear and tear on the school. This is a shame as most schools around Whangarei cannot be accessed on weekends. The cameras show us quite clearly that public foot traffic is high. I am sure our school whānau are careful with the grounds, it is a shame that we have to clean up after others.

**Term Dates**
Term 3 is fast coming to an end with the last day being on Friday 26 September with a 3:00pm finish, the normal time. Term 4 starts on Monday 12 October at the normal time of 8:55am.

**Remember, if you are wanting to visit your child's teacher - you can!**
While we aim to operate an open door policy to connect with your child/ren's teacher, an appointment is preferred so that you can guarantee you will connect with them. The preferred times are between 8:00am and 8:30am, during the lunch break (1:00pm - 1:40pm) or after school from 3:10pm onwards. As a staff, our practice is… questions need an answer, concerns need to be heard and actioned, and progress forward must be planned and progressed.

**Key Emails**
If you have any questions and you feel you do not want to disturb the classroom teacher, please try any of the following emails…

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| Maureen Darrow | Office | mdarrow@kamoprimary.school.nz |
| Denise Batten | Admin, office | finance@kamoprimary.school.nz |
| Gemma Cooper | Learning Support Coordinator (LSC) | gcooper@kamoprimary.school.nz |
| Brenda Lewis | Senior Management Team, SENCo, Curriculum and Assessment | blewis@kamoprimary.school.nz |
| Ben Soole | Senior Management Team | bsoole@kamoprimary.school.nz |
| Sally Wilson | Principal | principal@kamoprimary.school.nz |

If you ever have any wonderings or ideas for our school, please do not hesitate to contact the principal.

Thank you for being such a great community!

Ngā mihi nui,
The Team at Te Kamo School.

| Term | Dates | Public Holidays |
|---|---|---|
| 1<br>Up to 10 weeks | • Starts between Monday 26 January and Monday 9 February, and ends Thursday 2 April 2026 (78-96 half days).<br>• Teacher Only Day 1 (offsite) – Staff start on Tuesday 27 January<br>• Teacher Only Day 2 (at school) – Wednesday 28 January<br>• New Entrant Days – Thursday 29 and Friday 30 January<br>• SCHOOL STARTS – Monday2 February | • Waitangi Day – Friday 6 February. |
| 2<br>11 weeks | • Monday 20 April to Friday 3 July 2026 (106 half days). | • Anzac Day – Saturday 25 April (observed on Monday 27 April).<br>• King's Birthday – Monday 1 June.<br>• Matariki – Friday 10 July |
| 3<br>10 weeks | • Monday 20 July to Friday 25 September 2026 (100 half days). | Teacher only day Friday 4th September |
| 4<br>Up to 10 weeks | • Monday 12 October to no later than Friday 18 December 2026 (up to 98 half days). | • Labour Day – Monday 26 October. |

Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori
Join the community at
Ngaratunua Marae for activites, waiata and kai on Thursday 17th September
5.00pm-7.00pm
2 Church Road, Ngaratunua

# BASE BODY

## Boxing & Conditiong classes

AGES
6-10 & 11-14

WHEN
MON . WED.
3:30PM & 4:15

COST
$15/CLASS

BOOK
PH 0220387113
hellobasebody@gmail.com

CONFIDENCE
COORDINATION
STRENGTH

*Learn in a fun, supportive environment*

# HOLIDAY NETBALL COACHING CLINIC

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS THE WGHS NETBALL DEVELOPMENT TOUR TO THE GOLD COAST



Year 5/6 - Tuesday 6th October
Year 7/8 - Wednesday 7th October
9am - 3pm
Whangarei Girls High School
$40 per player
BYO food and water

Coach Hayley Taylor, along with a support crew, will be running this clinic
It will include development of Fundamental skills, Attack and Defence skills and specific positional sessions - Shooting, Mid-Court and Defence
Finishing with consolidation games

For more info or to register, please contact our manager:
mel2gardner@gmail.com or phone 022 690 3603

# PLAYBALL AT KAMO PRIMARY!

MULTI-SPORT CLASSES KIDS LOVE!

LEARN PLAY PRACTICE



MONDAYS
3:10 – 3:50PM

KAMO PRIMARY
SCHOOL HALL / PLAYGROUND

5–9 YEAR OLDS

GET ACTIVE. LEARN. PLAY. HAVE FUN!

ACTIVE & FUN | BUILD SKILLS & CONFIDENCE | MAKE FRIENDS & HAVE FUN | ALL SPORTS, ALL ABILITIES

ADDITIONAL CLASSES
SATURDAYS
2-9 YEAR OLDS
MULTI-SPORT CLASSES
FULL OF FUN & VARIETY!



BOOK NOW!
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- Qualified coaches
- Safe, supportive environment
- Build skills & confidence
- Fun for all abilities

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# HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Active. Fun. Unforgettable!



At our instructor-led holiday programme, children are kept busy in an interactive learning environment. Activities and games are designed to teach fundamental skills of sports – tennis, hockey, football, basketball and just about any other sport you can imagine!

AGES 4–10 YEARS

| TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER | WEDNESDAY 7TH OCTOBER | THURSDAY 8TH OCTOBER |
|---|---|---|
| SPECIAL TRIP | SPECIAL TRIP | SPECIAL TRIP |
| BOULDER HOUSE | EVENT CINEMAS | LASER TAG ACTION ZONE |

TIME
9:00am – 2:30pm

LOCATION
Northland Badminton Centre (Porowini Ave)

PRICING

| | 1 DAY | 2 DAYS | 3 DAYS |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 x CHILD | $54 | $98 | $138 |
| 2 x CHILDREN | $98 | $176 | $254 |

Additional days: $42 per child, per day
3 or more children: $42 per child, per day

BRING YOUR OWN
Morning tea, lunch and drink bottle



ENROL NOW!
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LEARN • PRACTICE • PLAY

We take care of the rest!

**Daffodil day**

Thank you to those who donated to this worthy cause.
$96 was raised