

Te Kamo Primary

Term 2 - Panui 18th June 2025

Pānui: 18th June 2025 - Week 8 of a 9 week term

Term 2 Dates: Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June 2025 (86 half days).

Public holidays: King's Birthday – Monday 2 June and Matariki Friday – 20 June.

Teacher Only Days in the future: Term 3 – 25th July and 12th September.

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

Term 2 being a week shorter, with two four day weeks, certainly seemed action packed. As mentioned previously, for teachers this is time to assess and prepare a report for you, your child/ren and the teacher as well.

Term 2 Reports

Next Tuesday 24th June, prior to the reports coming out, we will post some information about our new reporting format to help you make sense of what the report tells you. Along with this, we will also share some ways that you can help your child's learning at home which have come from the Ministry of Education's Parent Portal. Please be sure to read these.

Teachers will post student's Mid-Year Reports on Seesaw next Wednesday 25th June. In early Term 3, we will put a "Meet the teacher Schedule" on Seesaw where you are invited to come in and discuss your children's report.

Attendance

We continue to be hit by illness and that includes the teaching and support staff as well. We keep our focus on students returning to school as soon as they are well. We extend an invitation to contact your child/ren's classroom teacher if you are having trouble getting them back to school. Please, if you want support from the Senior Leadership Team, (SLT) just make contact and we are more than willing to support where we can. Our goal is 95% attendance, our dream is 100%!

Boiler Room Convert

At the end of the main block, closest to Three Mile Bush Road, you may have noticed fencing and work going on. We have been fortunate to have received funding from the Ministry of Education for a conversion of our old Boiler Room which heated the school for many years and is soon to become a teachers' hub. I am thrilled the teachers will finally have somewhere to work. During their Classroom Release Time (CRT), teachers have never had a quiet space to work. Finally, I am honoured to dedicate them a clear working space that is just for them. It will also be used as a meeting room from time to time. Our Board of Trustees supported this project and on behalf of the teaching team, we extend a sincere thank you to them. This truly is special.

As in our last Panui ... Matariki is on its way

The Matariki theme for 2025 is "Matariki ki te Wai" (Matariki and Water). The theme celebrates the spiritual and life-giving connection between people and water, drawing inspiration from three stars in the Matariki cluster: Waitī (freshwater), Waitā (saltwater) and Waipunarangi (rain). Matariki is also known as the Māori New Year and is time for reflection, reconnection and celebration with whānau. The "Matariki ki te Wai" theme encourages people to honour their bond with the natural world, particularly the role of water in te ao Māori (the Māori world view). It is a time to plant, look at local waterways, weave kites and learn about ancestral waterways.

The Matariki Public Holiday arrives this week on Friday 20th June.

"Mānawatia a Matariki"

Wishing you all a great break at the end of this term.

Sally Wilson, Principal.

School Cross Country will be on Friday 1st August. More details to follow.

School Notices

Updated addresses and email - If you have changed address, email or phone number recently please let the office know.

We have an upcoming Board of Trustees Election and we require up to date information.

Wanted for the art room, egg trays and newspaper

Lost Property is on display outside the school office. This is mounting up.

Please make sure you check this before the end of the term.

Kia ora from the Home & School team,

To celebrate another awesome term at Te Kamo Primary School, we are excited to announce that next **FRIDAY 27th June** (last day of term) will be a Book Character Dress Up Day for our students. We ask that, if you are able, your child bring along a Gold Coin donation - all funds raised will be put toward new wet weather games for our students.

We will be running this day alongside our amazing school librarian, Kimberley, who will be hosting quizzes during the week and will have a ton of spot prizes to giveaway thanks to Bethany Gardens! We want to emphasise that this day is OPTIONAL and we encourage you to use whatever you have at home... even a hat or a scarf counts as dressing up.

Wishing everybody a safe and happy Matariki - Mānawatia a Matariki!

Your Home and School Team





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, such as tennis, hockey, football, basketball—and just about any other sport you can imagine!

A special trip is included at the end of each day.

AGE GROUP 4-10

LOCATION

1 day 2 days 3 days Northland Badminton Centre (Porowini Ave) Child \$94 2 Children \$242 \$94 \$168 8th, 9th, 10th July 3+ Children

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

\$38/child, per day Additional days \$38/child, per day

TIME 9:00am-2:30pm

WHAT TO BRING Morning tea, lunch and drink bottle







ENROL AT PLAYBALLKIDS.COM/FRANCHISE/NORTHLAM



WHAT IS PLAYBALL?

Playball is an international multi-sport and movement programme, teaching skills from a variety of sports in a fun, positive environment from professional coaches.



As well as our holiday programme, we also offerweekly classes during term time for 2-9 year olds. (Afterschool and Saturdays + more) For more information, visit playballkids.com Email: dean@playball.co.nz