

TONGARIRO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

26th June 2025

Tumuaki Kōrero - Term 2 Wrap-Up

Kia ora e te whānau,

As we close the door on Term 2, I want to take a moment to reflect and mihi to the collective mahi, resilience and wairua that continues to define us as a kura.

Our ākonga have shown determination, growth and care for one another - guided by kaiako and supported by you, our whānau.

Ngā mihi nui.

A special mihi and heartfelt farewell to Kerrian Duff and Derek Downes, who finish their journey with us this term. Your presence and contribution have woven into the fabric of our kura – through your relationships, mahi, and commitment to supporting our ākonga and whānau. You've helped strengthen the whānau feel of our school, and we are grateful for all you've given. Ngā manaakitanga as you take your next steps.

Looking ahead, kura resumes on Monday 14 July, we will begin the day at 8:45am with a whakatau in the hall.

Please also mark Wednesday 23 July, our Whānau Progress Report Day, where kaiako and whānau come together to kōrero about learning journeys and next steps.

School will finish at 12pm that day, with whānau kōrero sessions running from 1pm-6pm. More detail in the newsletter.

Until then, I hope the winter break gives you time to rest, reconnect and restore – a time to wānanga, to honour those who've gone before, and to set intentions as we welcome Matariki mā puanga. Kia noho haumaruru - stay safe, stay well, and we'll see you back in Term 3.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Sharlyn Holt

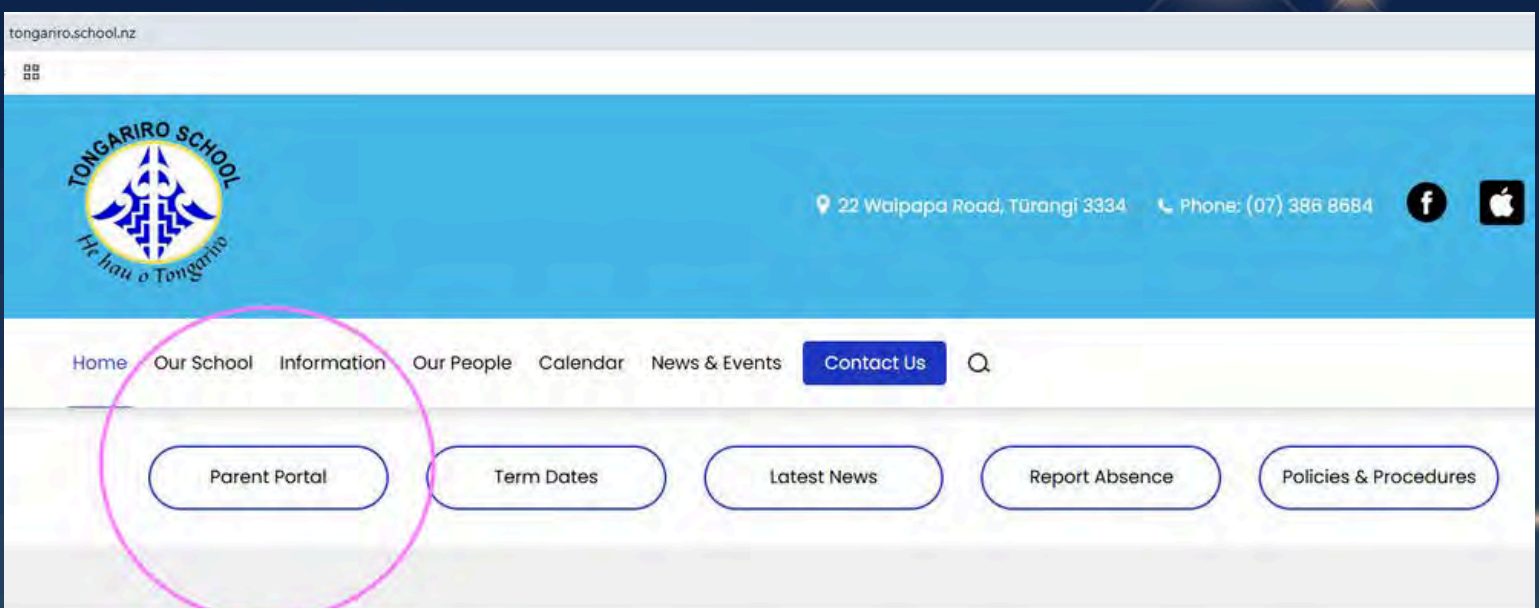
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1. Mid year reports are coming out this Friday – these will be sent by email. If you have changed your email please contact the office asap so we can update this. If you would like a printed copy please contact the office on 07-386-8684 for use at the whanau interviews next term.

2. Be on the lookout for an email all about the Parent Portal – this is a tab on our website <https://www.tongariro.school.nz>. the portal allows you to see personal details about your child, your child's timetable and attendance information, respond to any surveys, see a range of results and read your child's reports.



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Tongariro School School Board Elections

Parent Election Notice

Nominations are open for the election of
5 parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form.
Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community.

You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for
nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board
member is provided with this notice, and the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 23rd July 2025.
You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with
your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during
normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names
kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at 4pm on Wednesday 27th August 2025

Kerry Gallagher
Returning Officer
kerry.gallagher@tongariro.school.nz

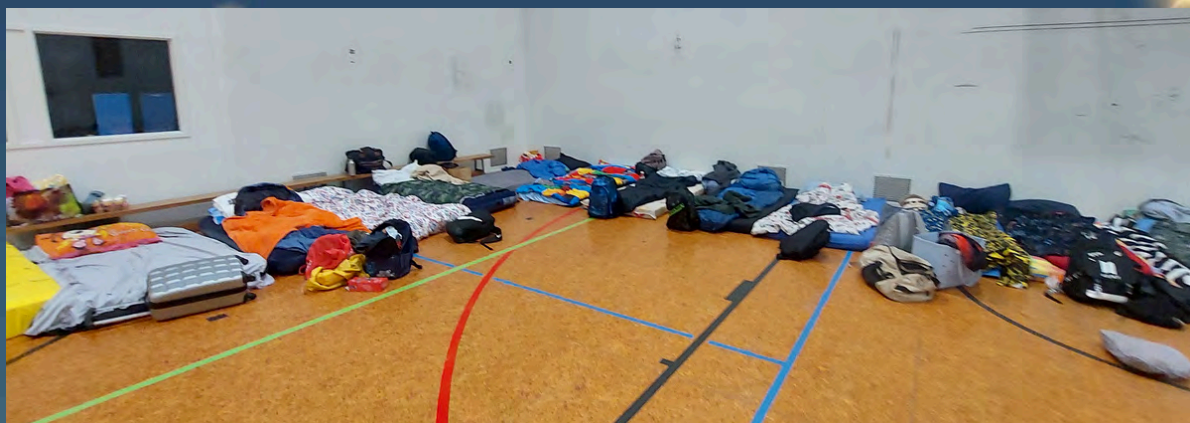
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Year 4 – 6 Overnight Noho



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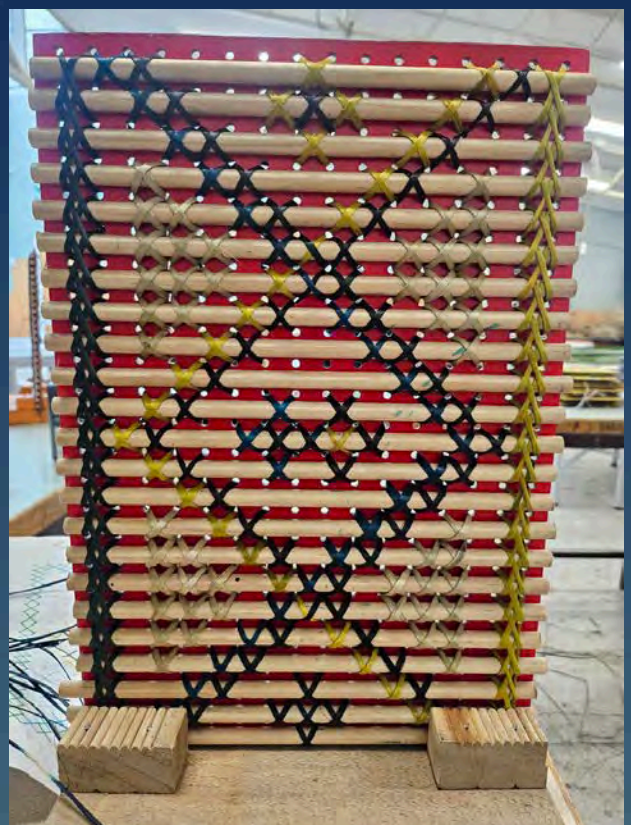
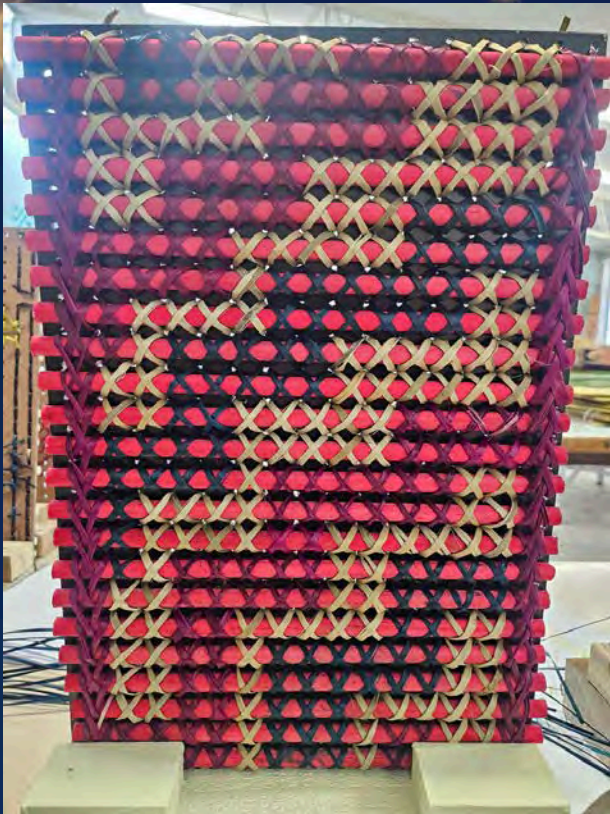
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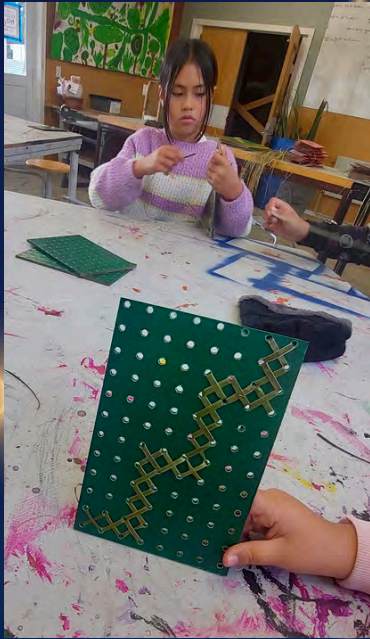


A group of our Year 11, 12 and 13 students have been working with Matua Rawiri and Whaea Deb to Create a Tukutuku Panel for the Exhibition in November

This has involved harvesting, preparing and dying the harakeke and then creating a design to stitch the harakeke into their panel. Here are some photos of their work (some are a work in progress) We are very proud of their work.



Mai Toi with Room 9





Matariki Glow Show & Taupō Art Gallery Trip

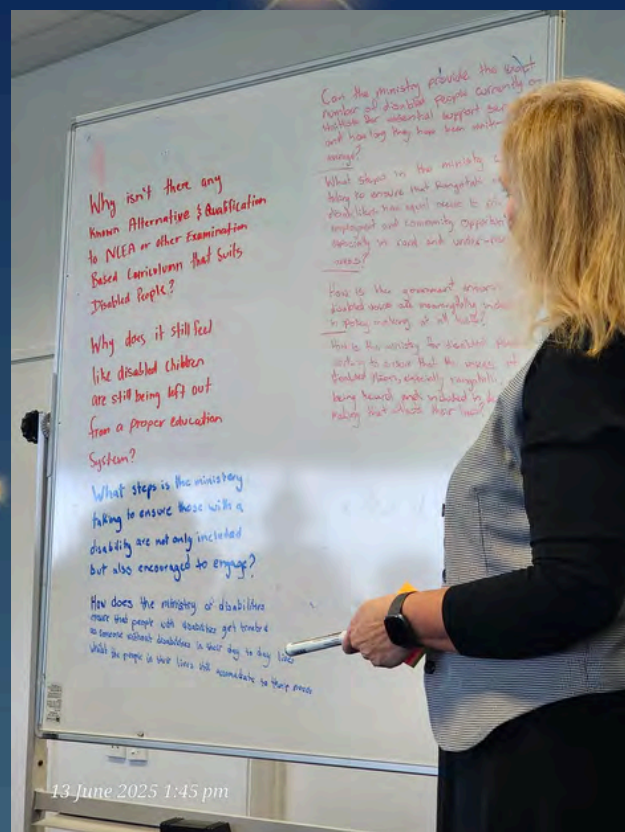
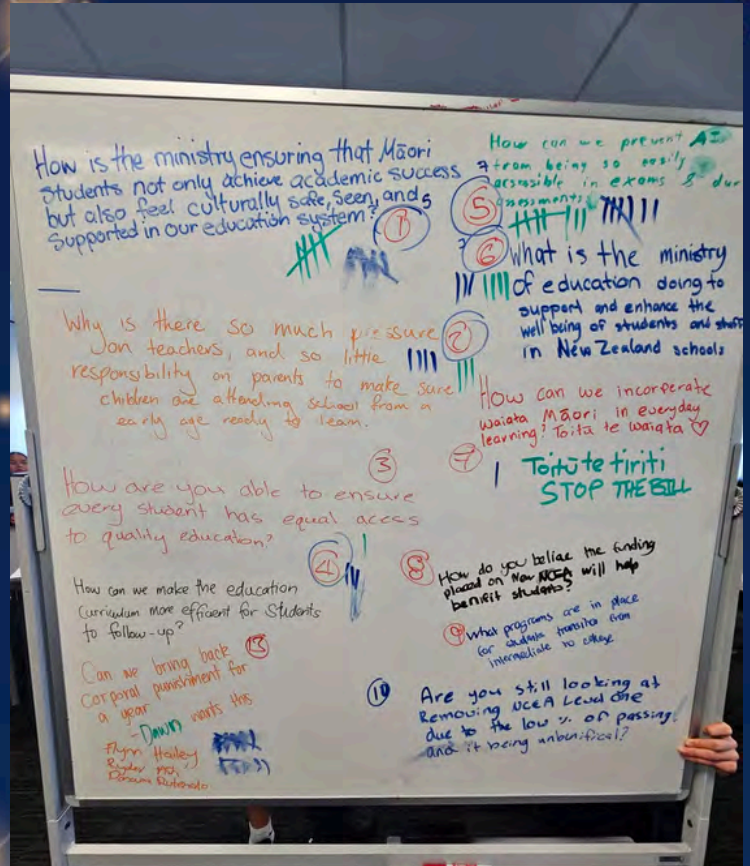
A huge thank you to all the wonderful parents and whānau who helped make our recent trip such a success! The Matariki Glow Show was a magical experience—full of lights, storytelling, and celebration of our Māori New Year. Our tamariki had a fantastic time, and their excitement was contagious!

A special highlight of the day was our visit to the Taupō Art Gallery. The students were captivated by the creativity on display and inspired by the beautiful artwork. Your support and presence helped create lasting memories for our ākonga—ngā mihi nui!



Youth Advisory Hui with Louisa Upston

Parliamentary Working Group with Students



Tackle 5 - Rotorua

Whanau. A huge mihi out to you for how unbelievably proud our boys did today. For themselves, their kura, their community and their whanau. We had some highs and lows. Some good learnings and lots to reflect on. They learned what RESILIENCE is and they supported each other. Players who haven't played this type of game, but still had a go. Also thanks to Weti and Trina, your mahi is greatly appreciated. We have so many talented kids out there!!! My heart is so full all I can say is POHO KERERU!!!! Whaea Lea Anne



Congratulations!

**to the following students who
passed the CAA Reading test**

Cressida-Lyn Cameron-Biddle

Manaaki Church

Keasyn Marshall

Shaunee Reweti

Callan Stewart

Brendan Topp

Te Hoka o-te-rangi Wanikau

Jacob Carter

Ryshire Downs

Rougan Mclaughlin

Dayzhia Reynolds-Hall

Promise Thompson

McKenzie Wihongi

Aaliyah Lacey-Reid

Congratulations!

Akonga o Te Wiki End of Term Winners

Harlynn Paranihi
Belinda-Lee Higgins
Raven-Rau Monaghan
Zaedyn-Ray albert
tayla Huia-Ripia
Skylah Marshall-Matene
Abbie Sibley-Ireland
Rafael Lopez
Lucy Kereama
Ruby Pohatu
Scarlett-Anne Tamapo
RJ Caldwell]
Tamakopiri Higgins
Ngarangi-Kamaea Te Rangi
Ruby Curry
Autumn Solomon-Allen
Lilly Wallace
Te Whiti Hopa

When we went to Thailand we made a donation to the Save Elephant Foundation. They have sent us a certificate of appreciation

Certificate of Appreciation

This is to certify that a donation has been received in the amount of

7,000.00

on behalf of Tongariro School in New Zealand

As requested, this gift will be used to support the
General Donation



Save Elephant Foundation
Dedicated to Protecting Asian Elephant

Saengduean "Lek" Chailert
Founder, Save Elephant Foundation

WHĀNAU CONFERENCES

Wednesday 23rd July 2025
1pm - 6pm

Please note school will finish at
12pm on this day.

Come along and discuss your child's learning with
their teacher. You can book a time using the skool
loop app or by ringing Kerry at the front office.



Whānau Uniform Consultation



At Tongariro School, we're reviewing our current school uniform and would love to hear your thoughts.

Your voice matters – whether you're a parent, caregiver or whānau member, your input will help shape any potential changes.

Please head to our school website or facebook page to complete the survey. If you would like a paper copy please phone or come into the front office.

