TONGARIRO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Tumuaki Kōrero - Principal's message

Kia ora Koutou Katoa

Welcome back to term 3. Three weeks in and we have a lot going on. Our Year 3 - 6 students will be participating in fortnightly activities in and around our town as they study tourism and the effects it has on our community. Whānau, please keep up to date with what is happening and return information and consent forms promptly.

Lots of events happening in the next few weeks
Our school cross country event will be FRIDAY 16th August - more
details to come

Rippa Rugby every Tuesday for Years 5 - 8 Advanced Leaders course

Waiouru Army Museum visit Years 3 - 6

Year 9 and 10 STEM trip to Taupo Museum and Timebank Gardens
Defensive driving course for selected students
Southern Lakes Inter-school Cross Country

Whānau can view our school policies on our website or in person at the front office. It is important that whānau have the opportunity to review our school policies.

A congratulations to McKayla Furze who has been selected for the New Zealand Area Schools Team for 2024. McKayla has an upcoming tournament in Hamilton later this month. All the best McKayla.

Congratulations to those students who passed the NCEA corequisite exam in either Reading, Writing or Numeracy. There is another opportunity in September for those students who need that opportunity.





A big mihi to the Lines Company and Genesis for their generous support to our school. The funds will be used to create murals in our school and purchase STEM equipment.

Two weeks ago we said our farewells to Te Whata Chase. Te Whata joined our school as a mentor for senior students as they returned to school from covid. He then moved into the role as the Alternative Education Facilitator. We will miss him and wish him well on his next journey.

With that, we say welcome back to Matua Witakerei returning to take on the role of Alternative Education Facilitator. Staff and students are grateful to have you back Matua.

We also say goodbye to another staff member who has been with us for nearly 20 years! Whaea Jean Jensen in the front office has worked tirelessly around attendance and will be sorely missed. We wish her all the best in her retirement.

Ngā manaakitanga Whaea Sharlyn

Recipient Awards for our Year 1-2







A huge congratulations to the following students who have passed the first round of the Literacy and Numeracy NCEA Co-requisites for 2024. Kei runga noa atu koutou!!

Numeracy:

Camerynne De Paris Martin Guila Jesse-Lee Houia-Ashwell Fergus Whitmore Sandy Harris Felisha McKenzie Max Whitmore



Writing:

Te Akiri Nolan
Josephine Murray
Martin Guila
Marama Beauchamp
Kianie George-Toko
Chris Mathews
Felisha McKenzie
Arana Puru-Hardie
David Turanga
Lily Wallace

Reading:

Lily Wallace
Max Whitmore
David Turanga
Camerynne De Paris
Martin Guila
Te Akiri Nolan
Fergus Whitmore
Harrison Murdoch
Haydin Hallett
Chris Matthews



TONGARIRO RIVER WALK

AS PART OF OUR EOTC PREPARATION WE WILL BE TAKING OUR YEAR 5-6 STUDENTS ON A WEEKLY RIVERWALK AROUND THE TONGARIRO RIVER. THE DAY WILL BE DECIDED ACCORDING TO WEATHER CONDITIONS EACH WEEK.

A GROUP OF YEAR 6 STUDENTS HAVE WALKED THE TRACK IN PREPARATION FOR THE WHOLE OF YEAR 5-6 COHORT'S WALK.







LAST TERM WE HAD A SPECIAL MATARIKI PLANTING DAY AT TONGARIRO SCHOOL.

WE CELEBRATED MATARIKI BY PLANTING NATIVE TREES AND PLANTS AROUND OUR SCHOOL GROUNDS.

WE LEARNED THAT PLANTING NATIVE TREES AND PLANTS TO ENHANCES OUR SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT AND CREATES A LASTING LEGACY FOR OUR TAMARIKI.

WE ARE ALSO LEARNING ABOUT THE SIGNIFICANCE OF MATARIKI AND THE IMPORTANCE OF KAITIAKITANGA (GUARDIANSHIP) IN MĀORI CULTURE.

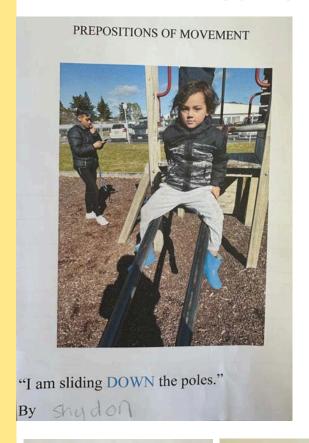




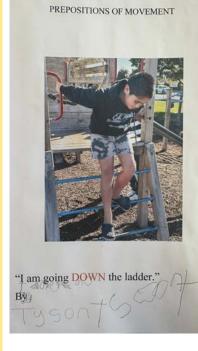




THE MAURI TAU ORAL LANGUAGE CLASS HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT PREPOSITIONS OF MOVEMENT











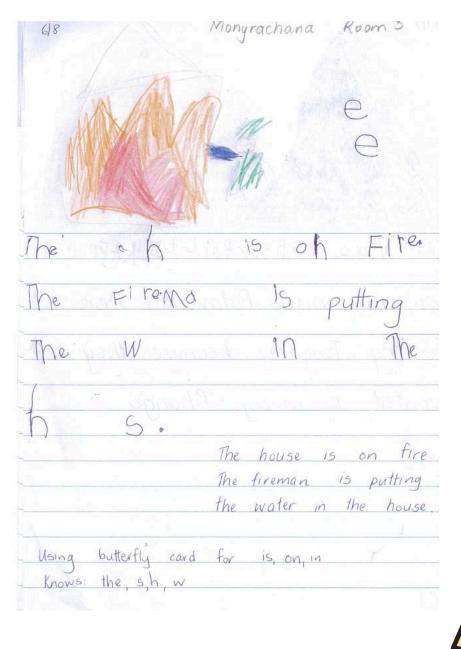
Get Firewise

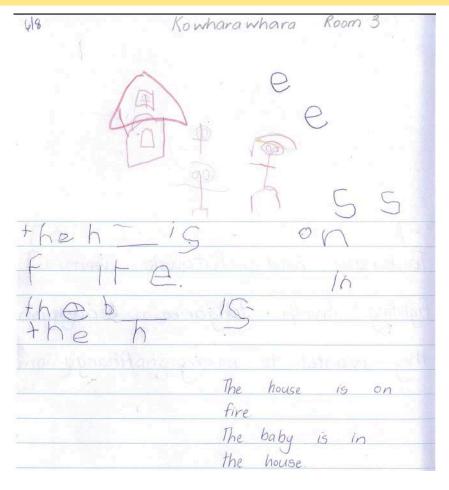
The year 1 & 2 team are learning to be firewise.

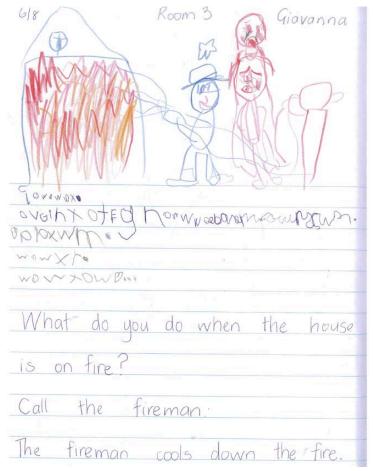
We are learning how fire can be dangerous.

We are learning that lighters and matches are tools to be used by adults.

Here are some of the children's stories that they have written about what may happen if there is a fire at home







Trade Academy students on Moerangi Station



























Waiouru Army Museum Trip Year 3 - 6 Thursday 15th August 2024

Our Learning Objectives:

- Understand the historical significance of Waiouru and its military heritage.
- Explore the role of the National Army Museum in preserving New Zealand's military history.

In Week Four, on Thursday, 15th August, all Year 3-6 students and teachers will visit the Waiouru Army Museum as part of our tourism study. On Thursday 15th August, we will participate in a guided tour of the Waiouru Army Museum.

We will be leaving school on Thursday at 9.00 am and will arrive back at approximately 3.00 pm. Students will need to bring their own snacks on Thursday and a drink. Ka Pai caterers will be providing a cut lunch for us.

Students will be expected to follow the rules of our school while on the trip. We have budgeted for this activity which means we have covered all costs. Students will not need to bring any money with them. Students are not permitted to bring devices. If necessary, any contact can be made through the classroom teacher or the school office on the day.

We will have an adult student ratio for this trip of 1:6 therefore we will need approximately 10 parent-helpers for this trip to happen.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Year 3-6 teachers.

Nga mihi Year 3-6 Teachers

Cross Country



We have set a date for our annual School Cross Country.

This event will be held on our school field shortly after 11.30am on Friday 16th August.



Children will run in their year groups. If the weather is unkind to us we will hold this event on the following Monday, 19 August.

If children achieve a placing of 1st, 2nd, or 3rd they will have the opportunity to represent Tongariro School at the Southern Lakes Inter-School Cross Country event at Kuratau School on Friday 23rd August 12 pm - 2.30pm latest.

We extend an invitation to all for this event.

Thank you for your continued support towards our school. Year 1-8 Team

RAINBOW GROUP

SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS TO GROW INTO THE PEOPLE THAT THEY WANT TO BE IS A PART OF THE PASTORAL ROLE AT TONGARIRO SCHOOL.

WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME TILLY MARSH AND NATHANIEL, PART OF THE TEAM AT ANAMATA CAFE THAT WILL BE COMING INTO THE SCHOOL ON MONDAYS TO SUPPORT OUR RAINBOW COMMUNITY IN THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY.

FROM MONDAY 12TH AUGUST TILLY AND NATHANIEL WILL BE IN SCHOOL TO MEET AND TELL YOU A LITTLE MORE ABOUT ANAMATA CAFE, AND HOW THEY CAN SUPPORT THE RAINBOW COMMUNITY IN OUR SCHOOL.

ENQUIRIES TO
RON TAIPARI (SCHOOL COUNSELLOR)
STEVE HOLLIS (PASTORAL CARE)

Touch World Cup 2024. What a ride!! "with Lisa Ellis"

During the school holidays I travelled to Nottingham, England to play in the Touch World Cup representing the NZ 40 Women's team. This goal was 4 years of consistency and determination.

I left Turangi at 7am on Wednesday 10th July and arrived at my accommodation in Nottingham at 6am NZT on Friday 12th July. I had one day to recover before we were officially in camp to compete to be the best in the world, but with the sun rising at 4am and setting at 10:30pm, a good night sleep was hard to come by.

We had mixed results for the Round Robin games. Unfortunately, Papua New Guinea withdrew from the tournament due to unforeseen circumstances so we didn't get the opportunity to play them. However, we were successful in defeating Scotland twice, and had a draw and loss against England. Australia proved to be our toughest opponent beating us twice convincingly.

Our semi final was against England. It was a do or die match for a spot in the final. We knew we had mahi to do as both individuals and a team if we wanted to make it to the big dance, knowing that to win this match would give us another shot at Australia. We pulled it together with a final score of 4-2 to New Zealand.

It was finals day and an early start for the "Aunties" as we were the first Gold Medal match of the day with an 8am tap off. Both teams came out strong and we managed to hold Australia scoreless for the first 18 minutes of the game.

Half time score 1-0 to Australia.

The second half showcased the skill, speed and discipline of the Australian team.

We managed to break their defense and score a try, but let in another 3 for a full-time score of 4-1 to Australia.

We didn't quite get the chocolates, but travelling the world to play a sport I love was epic! I'll take 2nd best in the world, this time, but the goal has been set for the next World Cup in 2028 which New Zealand will be hosting.

Words can't express how grateful I am to everyone who supported me on this journey. The constant flow of aroha, tautoko and manaaki throughout the entire campaign has been amazing! Your encouragement and belief mean so much.

My circle may be small, but my corner, that's next level.

Aku mihi maioha to these superstars:

Faddy & Paraki Davis

Mum & Benno

Dylan & Delany

Sharon Jensen

Irena Wanikau

Tina Porou @Poipoia

Binky Ellis @Wild Cherry Logging

Turangi Turtle Pools Team

Korohe Marae Commitee

Richard Mariu Transport

Turangi-Tongariro Sports Foundation

Turangi Junior Triathlon

Marilyn Kingi

Tongariro School

Patricia Kubik (Aunty Pat)

Ellis Silviculture Ltd (Uncle Hiki)

Te Āti Hau- Whanganui Trust

Lake Taupo District Sports Advisory Council

Ngāporo Waimārino Forest Trust

Shihan Mark Willis

Ngāti Tuwharetoa Mercury Development Group

Ngāti Tuwharetoa Genesis Energy Committee

Flight Logging Ltd

Genesis Energy Tokaanu

Johnette Callaghan

Joe Hoko Snr

You are the real MVP!























Auckland's Big Day Out

Rainbows End Valentines Manukau Kelly Tarltons LeapNZ Hamilton

When: Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th September

60 places available for 10 – 14 years olds

FIRST TIMERS until Friday 30th August

Then the list will be open to everyone years 10 - 14 year olds

Applications close Thursday 5th September at 12pm

Cost - \$60 all inclusive
Kids get \$20 back for lunch at Chartwell Mall on Sunday

Pickup forms from your school or Turangi Police Station





We Are HIRING JOIN OUR TEAM



JOB TITLE: ATTENDANCE/OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR
POSITION: PART TIME - 20 HOURS PER WEEK, MONDAY TO FRIDAY

About us:

Tongariro School is dedicated to providing a nurturing and dynamic environment for students, staff, and the community. We are looking for a dedicated and enthusiastic Attendance/Office Administrator to join our team and help support our mission of excellence in education.

Job Summary:

The Attendance/Office Administrator will play a vital role in the daily operations of the school office. This position requires a friendly, organised, and proactive individual who can handle a variety of tasks with efficiency and professionalism. The ideal candidate will be comfortable working in a fast-paced environment and possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

Key Responsibilities:

Monitor and maintain accurate student attendance records.

Process daily attendance, including late arrivals and early departures.

Communicate with parents/guardians regarding student absences and attendance policies.

Generate attendance reports for school administration and staff.

Coordinate with teachers and staff to ensure accurate attendance tracking.

Manage and update attendance databases and systems.

Handle attendance-related inquiries and issues in a professional manner.

Support the school administration with additional administration duties as needed.

Qualifications:

Previous experience in an administrative or clerical role, preferably in an educational setting.

Proficient in Microsoft and Google Suite and experience with database management.

Strong organisational and time-management skills.

Excellent written and verbal communication skills.

Ability to work independently and as part of a team.

Attention to detail and accuracy.

Discretion and ability to handle sensitive information confidentially.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates should submit a resume, cover letter and references to: administration@tongariro.school.nz. Application close Friday 16th August 2024 at 5pm