

Frasertown School

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From the Principals Desk



Kia Ora koutou,

As we move into the third month of the year, we are pleased to share some wonderful updates and developments within our school and community. From new sports programs, to professional development opportunities, the opening of a new community hub, and the retirement of a beloved staff member, there is so much happening at Frasertown School!

Teacher Professional Development: Maths Curriculum Focus

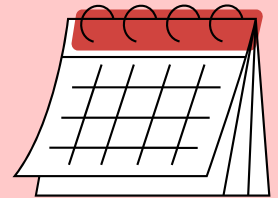
At Frasertown School, we are committed to continually improving the quality of education we offer our students. As part of this commitment, our teachers have been engaging in professional development focused on strengthening their teaching strategies within the Maths curriculum. This training will help our educators deliver even more effective lessons, empowering our students to build strong problem-solving skills and confidence in mathematics based on the new math curriculum. We believe this initiative will support our students in achieving their full potential and preparing them for the future.

New Fundamental Sports Program Launch

We are thrilled to announce the introduction of a new fundamental sports program aimed at enhancing our students' physical education experience. These programs will focus on building foundational skills in a variety of small skill focused games, providing our students with the tools to develop their physical literacy in a fun and engaging way. Our goal is to help students gain confidence, improve teamwork, and foster a love of movement. We look forward to seeing our students grow and enjoy these new opportunities throughout the year!



Key Dates



District Swimming
Sports
March 18th, Tuesday

Wairoa Recovery
Obstacle Course
March 20th, Thursday

Mitre10 Mega Tough Kid
April 3rd, Thursday

Last Day of Term 1
April 11th, Friday

Term 2 starts
April 28th, Monday



Ngā Tokorima A Hinemanuhiri Trust: Opening of the New Office Hub in Frasertown

We were excited to be part of the Ngā Tokorima A Hinemanuhiri Trust's opening of their new office hub in Frasertown! The event was a fantastic occasion, bringing together community members to celebrate the Trust's growth and future opportunities for Frasertown. The new office hub will play a key role in fostering community partnerships, supporting local initiatives, and offering valuable resources to the Frasertown area. We are proud to be part of this milestone and look forward to the positive impact it will have on our community.

Sonia Howard: Celebrating 31 Years of Service

It was with mixed emotions that we announced the retirement of Sonia Howard, our dedicated Office Administrator, after an incredible 31 years of service to Frasertown School. Sonia has been the heart and soul of our school office, always with a warm smile and a kind word. Her professionalism, and commitment to our school have made a lasting impact on our entire community. We will miss Sonia dearly but wish her all the best as she enters this well-deserved new chapter in her life.

Looking Ahead

We are excited for the upcoming months as we continue to grow and develop as a school community. Our focus remains on providing high-quality education, fostering meaningful connections, and supporting our students in all aspects of their development. Thank you to our amazing staff, students, and whanau for your continued support and dedication.

Nga Mihi,
Mrs Megan Marshall

**DON'T
FORGET!**

Stay Connected

Keep an eye out for upcoming events and updates through our newsletter and school website. We encourage you to stay engaged with all the exciting things happening at Frasertown School!

Student Awards



Room 5

Lochie Mutton - effort in printing

Jesse Dickson - great effort in printing

Milan Hooper - Great improvement in forming letters correctly

Mason Spence-Gill - Great effort in class learning

Room 4

Spencer MacDonald - always ready for learning

Poppy Wichers - trying hard with her hand writing

Ruby Middleton - Improvement in forming letters

Lazarus Westcott - Improvement in letter writing

Room 3

Zane Nahona - Creative writing

Kalani Cooper - Fulfilling Writing expectation

Jack Doran - Displaying high level of resilience with Literacy learning

Noah Powdrell - positive attitude

Room 2

Thomas Donovan - Focused and determined

Athena Fulford - Positive and cheerful attitude

Atlas Buchanan - positive attitude and approaching everything with a smile

Tilly Bullock - outstanding work ethic

Room 1

Timoti Cooper - for improvements in writing

Saiyah-Blue Tahuri-Edmonds - For being a great Frasertown kid

Sadi Whyte - being responsible

Kiritea Tahuri-Edmonds - For showing respect

Young Leaders blossoming at Frasertown School



Sport Hawkes Bay initiated the PALs (Physical Activity Leaders) program recently, in Primary Schools in our wider area.

Students in Year 6 wrote letters of application and these students were selected: **Jack Doran, Asha Hikawai, Zane Nahoria, Kalani Cooper, Ryker Black, Jess Nicholls, Louis Jones, and Jayden Te Amo Karauria.**

These students attended a one day workshop, where they interacted with, and participated in leadership development activities. The workshops aim to increase the confidence of student leaders and focus on the following:

- Leadership - What makes a good leader
- Problem Solving
- Communication
- Practical Teaching

Now they have completed the workshop, these students work in pairs to create games at lunchtimes, and work with the junior children creating a fun and organized environment!



PALs is aimed at empowering and supporting students with the development of their leadership skills

Wairoa District Swimming Sports

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to attend the Wairoa District Swimming Sports!

Staff have spent considerable time selecting those that are competitive in the disciplines they are entered into.

We wish them the best of luck representing Frasertown School on Friday 18th March!!



Introducing Teaching Staff



Judy Johnston, and Lynne Cox

We have been supporting students and staff at Frasertown School over the last few years. Our roles vary from working 1to1 with students or with small groups.

Literacy is our preferred curriculum area that we enjoy seeing the students make progress. We have learnt over the years how children learn and make progress by having a solid alphabet and sound knowledge.

Parents can support their children by sharing picture books and maybe novels as they grow older at home



Raiha Hapi-Smith Allen

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa
Ko Rimurimu toku Maunga
Ko Waipiata toku Awa
Ko Takitimu toku Waka
Ko Ruawharo toku Marae
Ko Ngati Kahungunu Te Iwi
Ko Rongomaiwahine toku Hapu
Ko Opoutama te Rohe
Ko Raiha Hapi-Smith Allen Ahau

From the Classroom.....

Welcome to Room 2!

PANGARAU - MATHS

We have had a busy start to math in Rm 2.

There are three main things we are focusing on this term:

Number – place value, reading and writing numbers, learning basic facts.

Statistics – collecting, using and understanding data.

Geometry – shapes and their properties.



Place Value Houses
Issie, Amelia, Maddy



Tiniroto Sprints -
Rhyland & Tommy



2D Shape sorting challenge
Atlas, Jahnesta, Daisy, Te Arawhiti



2D Shape sorting challenge
Titan, Cole, Athena, Sabar,
Elliot



2D Shape sorting challenge
Amelia, Rhyland, Milla,
Tommy, Tilly

We use “Tiniroto Sprints” to challenge ourselves to learn our addition and subtraction basic facts.

The children have up to 2 minutes to answer 20 basic fact questions which are done in levels.

If they get 20/20 twice, they can move up to the next level.

The children mark and record their own results. It is up to them to be **honest**, **challenge themselves** and **try to do better each day**. If they get a better time or a better score than the previous day, their name goes in the treasure box to celebrate improvement.

Every Monday in their homework books, a Whānau of facts will come home for them to learn. This is one of the facts they didn't know, or had to work out, in their Tiniroto sprints.

WRITING



Room 2 have been learning about similes and metaphors.
Here are some great examples the kids came up with.

As slow as a snail in the garden.
Eligh

I ran as fast as Sonic.
Titan

He swam like a swordfish
swimming away from the
fisherman.

The eel was a scary nightmare at
night.
Isabelle

The dragon was as fast as a train.
Ryland

You are a rainbow on a sunny day.
Elliot

His room was a rubbish dump.
Milla

As fast as a cheetah chasing a
galloping horse.
Sabar

As cold as a swimming pool.
Manawa

The snow was as fluffy as a new
feathered blanket.
Daisy

The sun is as hot as a desert.
Paige

The ocean is a rollercoaster.
Amelia

My feet were as cold as snow.
Atlas

As evil as a snow bear eating a
person.
Cyrus

The world spun fast like a puma
chasing its tail.
Tilly

As fast as a plane zooming over a
mountain.
Cole

The turtle was as slow as a slimy
worm.
Jahnesta

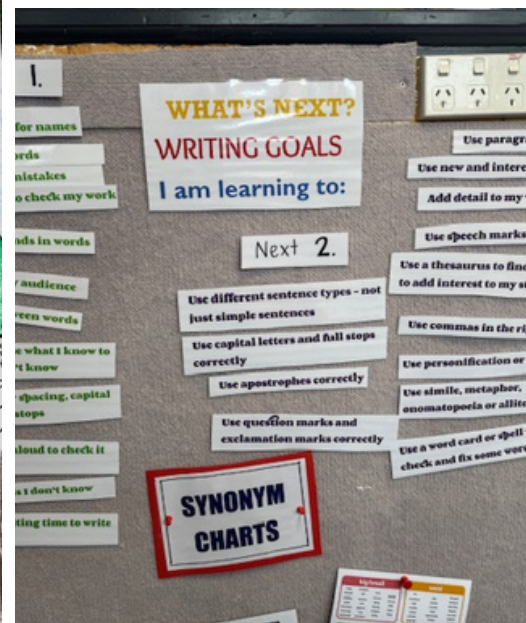
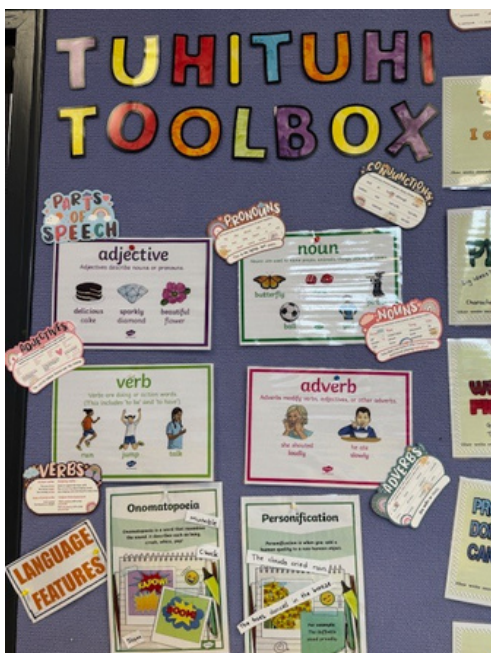
The night was as dark as a shadow.
Aila-Rose

Clouds as fluffy as my hair in the
morning.
Maddy

As fast as a frog hopping.
Te Arawhiti

I am as fast as a racing car
zooming around a track.
On Monday at assembly, I was a
statue.
Tommy

The sun was hot like a volcano.
Thomas



Artwork by some of the Room 2 students -
creating a cartoon character of themselves



Farewell and Thank You, Sonia Howard

After an incredible 31 years of dedicated service to Frasertown School, we say a heartfelt farewell to our wonderful Office Administrator, Sonia Howard, as she embarks on a well-earned retirement.

Sonia has been more than just the person who kept our school running smoothly—she has been the heart of Frasertown School. With her warm smile, unwavering commitment, and deep love for our tamariki, she has touched the lives of countless students, staff, and whānau over the years.

Not only has Sonia been a valued staff member, but she has also been a parent and grandparent at Frasertown School, making her contribution even more special. Her dedication has gone beyond administration—she has been a friendly face at the front desk, a caring first aider, a listening ear, and a pillar of support for everyone who walked through our doors.

As we say goodbye, we do so with immense gratitude. Thank you, Sonia, for your years of kindness, hard work, and love for our school community. You leave behind a legacy that will not be forgotten.

We wish her all the joy, relaxation, and adventure that retirement brings—you have truly earned it!

With aroha,
The Frasertown School Community



2025 Netball Season

If your child is interested in playing Netball, please ask them to collect a notice from the school office to bring home.

The Netball season will kick off in Term 2, starting Saturday 10th May.

Netball fees are \$15 dollars

If you are able to assist with Coaching please let the office know ASAP.

Playing Schedule

Saturday 10th May - OPENING CEREMONY/ GRADING GAMES
Saturday 17th May - All grades
Saturday 24th May - All grades
Saturday 31st May - KINGS BIRTHDAY/ NO NETBALL
Saturday 7th June - All grades
Saturday 14th June - All grades
Saturday 21st June - MATARIKI/ NO NETBALL
Saturday 28th June - All grades
Saturday 5th July - SCHOOL HOLIDAYS/ NO NETBALL
Saturday 12th July - SCHOOL HOLIDAYS/ NO NETBALL
Saturday 19th July - All grades
Saturday 26th July - All grades
Saturday 2nd August - FINALS/ PRIZEGIVING

Please see attached notice (community notices) from Tahuri Mai - offering coaching support for players and coaches

Staff Contact Details

Your child's teacher will be the main point of contact for any learning, social or emotional concerns, and questions you may have. Please feel free to reach out to them via email below



Principal:

Megan Marshall
principal@frasertown.school.nz

Room 3:

Hemish Chandra
hemish@frasertown.school.nz

Room 1:

Charles Hall
charlesh@frasertown.school.nz

Room 4:

Sue Smith
suesmi@frasertown.school.nz

Room 2:

Jo Gray & Nicky Bailey
jo@frasertown.school.nz
nicky@frasertown.school.nz

Room 5:

Mike Spooner
mikes@frasertown.school.nz

Keep up to date

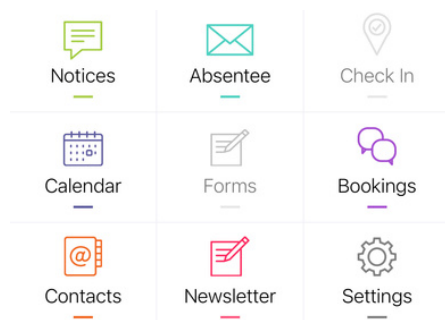


To keep up to date with what's happening at school please make sure you have downloaded the "Skool Loop App"

Apple users - head to the App Store and search skool loop, then download

Android users - google play store app and search skool loop

If you have any trouble downloading the app please pop into school and we can help you out



HOW TO SUBSCRIBE TO NOTICE GROUPS



TO JOIN YOUR SKOOL LOOP APP NOTICE GROUPS, SIMPLY FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW:

- > Go to the 'Settings' tile in the bottom right hand corner of the Home Screen
- > Go to 'Subscribe to groups'
- > Tap to select the group/s you would like to receive notifications from
- > You're good to go - you will now receive all notices sent to the groups you have subscribed to

NEED MORE INFO?

Call Skool Loop Aus on 1800 203 493



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Community Notices

JUNIOR RUGBY

Muster 2025

Saturday 5th April at 10.30am

BAYLEYS

Athletic Park

Join us for a fun game and a sausage sizzle to get the new season started!

RIPPA, PRIMARY & JUNIOR GRADES WELCOME



Contact Annabel for more information

wathleticrhc@gmail.com



021 231 0095



TAHURI MAI

PRESEASON NETBALL DEVELOPMENT

Dates:
Monday 3 Mar, 10 Mar, 17 Mar,
24 Mar, 31 Mar & 7 April

Cost:
\$40per person for 6 sessions
and a TAHURI MAI crew neck

Venue:
Wairoa Netball Courts

CONTACT US
FB: Tahuri Mai
tahurimaimovement@gmail.com
027 8923779

WHAT'S THE PLAN?

For players, every session will be broken into 3 parts...

1. Fitness
2. Ball skill
3. Court work

Coaches will walk away with...

1. Appropriate team ball drills
2. Individual ball drills for players
3. Coaching plan for the season
4. Netball language

WHO ARE THE COACHES?

Michelle	Pauline
Grace	Avon
Hope	Wreyon
Ricky	Rupene

WHEN AM I TRAINING?

3.45pm - 4.25pm Year 1 & 2
3.45pm - 4.25pm Year 3 & 4
4.30pm - 5.20pm Year 5 & 6
4.30pm - 5.20pm Year 7 & 8
5.45pm - 6.30pm Coaches
5.45pm - 6.30pm Rangatahi
5.45pm - 6.30pm Women/ Men

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE COMPLETE THE DETAILS BELOW
AND PM THEM TO THE TAHURI MAI
FACEBOOK PAGE ALTERNATIVELY PRINT
AND FILL IT OUT.

PLAYER/ COACH #1 DETAILS

NAME

EMAIL ADDRESS

CONTACT NUMBER

JERSEY SIZE

PLAYER/ COACH #2 DETAILS

NAME

EMAIL ADDRESS

CONTACT NUMBER

JERSEY SIZE

If you would like to feature in our community notices, please email through your flyer to: newsletters@frasertown.school.nz