

Wāhi Kura/Address



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September 2024

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Kia Ora whanau,

Would you believe there's only 2 weeks left of the term! We still have a couple of events left for the term, this week we have Kereru away on camp, EBOP Volleyball Thursday, on Friday a group of tamariki are heading down to Rangitihi marae for the day in celebration of Te wiki o Te Reo Maori. And Wednesday 25th we have our annual Ag Day.

Last weekend we had a team of tamariki head over to compete in 3x3 Basketball in the NZAims tournament.

They achieved an impressive 10th place overall, a huge accomplishment for our kura! Competing at the national level, our tamariki showed courage and resilience, securing great wins against schools from Havelock North and Huntly, while also learning from tough matches against strong teams from Cambridge and Tauranga.

We are incredibly proud of their hard work, leadership, and perseverance. A special thank you to our kaiako – Whaea Ashlee, Matua Simon and Whaea Jade – for their unwavering support on and off the court. This experience has strengthened our tamariki, preparing them to face future challenges with confidence. Well done team!



KOTAHI VALUES

OUR KOTAHI VALUES FOCUS FOR THIS TERM IS "KO"

K = KIA MANA MOTUHAKE — BEING MOTIVATED

ACHIEVERS

O = OWNING OUR LEARNING AND ACTIONS — POWERFUL LEARNERS

KO TE MANU E KAI ANA TE MIRO NONA TE NGAHERE, KO TE MANU E KAI ANA TE MATAURANGA NONA TE AO! THE FOREST BELONGS TO THE BIRD THAT FEASTS ON THE BERRIES,

THE WORLD BELONGS TO THE BIRD THAT FEASTS ON KNOWLEDGE!

Just a reminder regarding school uniform, Uniform tops are available in the office, or at Postie plus. Postie plus have increased their prices, so we have had to increase ours to \$7.00. We understand that it is difficult to source plain black sweatshirts, so ones with motifs are fine until you can source plain.

We do have a few different sizes of plain black crew necks available in the office for \$8 each. Also, If your child has not been issued a school black jacket these are available at the office.

Please ensure you like us on Facebook and sign up to the Skool Loop App to keep in touch with what is happening here at school.

If you are not in your child's class "Messenger Group" please see their teacher and become part of the class chat as teachers are using this for reminders and as a way of contacting parents/caregivers. We do try and keep you informed on events taking place at school and the electronic way seems to be the best way to reach you all. If you do not use Facebook, Messenger or Skool Loop then please ensure you keep in touch with the school so we can get information to you on events concerning your child/ren.

Tania Raynes – Principal

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And a very special thank you to Whakatane Electrical Contractors and Dianne Clark for the koha toward our senior camp.

Upcoming Events/Activities

Weds 18th & Thurs 19th Sept. – Kereru Camp

Thurs 19th Sept. - EBOP Volleyball

Friday 20th Sept.-Group haerenga to Rangitihi

Marae

Wednesday 25th Sept. - Ag Day

Friday 27th Sept. – Last day of Term

School Uniform:

Uniform tops can be purchased from the School Office for \$7.00 each (sizes 4-14).

Larger sizes we have purchased from another supplier are \$25.00

Matata Public School Bank Account:

12 3253-0080452-00

Please use student name and a description as a reference when depositing.

eg: Jack - uniform.

Absentees:

If your child is absent please send a message via skool loop or phone or email the school to advise or text your child's teacher – remember to give a reason for an absence. Our absentee records go to the Ministry of Education now so we would rather put a genuine reason than an unknown absence.

