KURANUI PRIMARY NEWS

16 NOVEMBER 2026

Kia ora ē te Whānau,
As the school year winds down, everything seems to wind up for teachers and principals! I am forever grateful for our amazing staff, who adapt to changing plans and keep Kuranui running smoothly. Thank you to Kim, Jemma, Amy, Shauna, Mish, Raylene, Sharmain and Ashlee for your flexibility, teamwork and willingness to make the small adjustments that help keep our ship heading in the right direction.

Last week, our Year 4, 5 and 6 students attended camp. Camp is a fantastic opportunity for our tamariki to strengthen friendships, support one another, try new things and step outside their comfort zones. I was incredibly proud to watch them work together, encourage each other and embrace new challenges. These shared experiences create memories that will stay with them for a lifetime.

A heartfelt thank you to Shauna, Lizzy, Louise, Andrew, Amy, Kim, Stacey, Michael, Pete, Jack, Jaime-Lee, Dani, Ben and Liv. Whether you helped organise things behind the scenes, attended camp or took time away from work to support our students, your contribution made this experience possible.

URGENT UPDATE – Production Date Change #2

Please take note of our latest production dates at the Putāruru Plaza. With changes needed around the Putāruru Christmas Parade, please use the following dates when planning:

- Monday 30 November: Dress rehearsal day.
- Thursday 3 December: Matinee and evening performances.

Thank you for your flexibility as we work through these changes. Our students are looking forward to sharing their hard work with you!

Finally, I have some exciting staffing news. We have officially appointed Amy van der Heyden and Erin Van Heuven, who will share the teaching role in Te Māhuri in 2027.
Amy has been part of our school for some time, and we are delighted to welcome her to our permanent teaching team. We are also excited to welcome Erin to the Kuranui community. Erin is an experienced teacher who has relieved for us over the past couple of weeks and has already proved very popular with students and staff. We look forward to having them both on board in 2027.

Ngā mihi,
Mike
Principal

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KURANUI PRIMARY SCHOOL
TERM 4 EVENTS

WEEK 1

~~Monday 12th Oct - Term 4 Starts~~
~~Thursday 15th Oct - Ag Day~~

WEEK 2

~~Monday 19th Oct - Board Hui 6pm~~
~~Friday 23rd Oct - Sausage Sizzle~~
~~- Assembly 2:10pm~~

WEEK 3

~~Monday 26th Oct - Labour Day - No School~~

WEEK 4

~~Friday 6th Nov - Sausage Sizzle~~
~~- Assembly 2:10pm~~

WEEK 5

~~Tuesday 10th - Friday 13th Nov - Yr4-6 Camp~~

WEEK 6

Tuesday 17th Nov - Ki o Rahi Yr 5/6
Thursday 19th Nov - School Athletics

WEEK 7

Monday 23rd Nov - Board Hui 6pm
Wednesday 25th Nov - Interschool Athletics

WEEK 8

Thursday 3rd Dec - Putaruru Plaza Dress Rehearsal (all day)
Friday4thDec - Matinee and Evening Show

WEEK 9

Thursday 10th Dec - End of Year Prizegiving and End of 2026

KURANUI PRIMARY SCHOOL

2027 TERM DATES

TERM 1

Tuesday 2 February
to Friday 9 April

TERM 2

Tuesday 27 April
to Friday 2 July

TERM 3

Monday 19 July
to Friday 24 September

TERM 4

Monday 11 October
to Tuesday 14 December

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