

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome to Term 3 and the beginning of another term. I hope you all had a wonderful break, despite what was a pretty rain filled holiday. We started our morning with a Whakatau to welcome our new tamariki and whanau to Whau Valley School



and it is wonderful to have you all joining us this year. I am sure you will enjoy your time with us. It was a pretty frantic finish to the end of last term with some fantastic Matariki celebrations



and then a massive pack up to allow contractors into classrooms to continue upgrades to a number of rooms. The contracting team have certainly powered through the works and completed most of the refurbishments last week. A number of windows in Rooms 6 and 8



were replaced, exterior asbestos cladding was removed and junior classes had



new carpet, wall linings and cabinets installed. The rooms are looking wonderful and I am sure that staff and tamariki will be enjoying the new upgrades this term. We still have more works coming up in the near future with Room 13 and our Minder Room due for upgrades as well as a new roofing project on the senior/admin block coming up as well as upgrading of specialist toilets beside Room 12. It is fantastic to see the

improvements taking place around the school and everyone benefitting from the upgrades.

Looking ahead we have some visitors coming into school shortly with the NED Show visiting school next week. The show focuses on building resilience with NED standing for **N**ever give up, **E**ncourage others and **D**o your best. More information is included in our newsletter with the performance taking place next Tuesday, 22 July. Please check out the rest of the dates coming up for events below. Have a great first week back whanau!



Nga mihi, Steve Jenkins
Principal/Tumuaki

ATTENDANCE

Term 2 - Week 9	<u>Monday 23 June</u>	<u>Tuesday 24 June</u>	<u>Wednesday 25 June</u>	<u>Thursday 26 June</u>	<u>Friday 27 June</u>
Daily attendance rate	83%	84%	80%	79%	57%
Unexplained absences	27	19	32	31	71
Late students	24	36	59	32	36

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

At our final assembly for Term 2, two more of our tamariki were acknowledged for their efforts at school. Both have modelled our school values to their peers and demonstrated a wonderful, positive attitude at school. Connor from Room 10 and Peyton from Room 4 received a Principal's award for their great mahi. Connor was acknowledged for a big improvement in giving things a go, demonstrating perseverance in class and to take on new challenges. Peyton was acknowledged for being a role model student who has taken on new challenges, always does the right thing and is willing to give everything a go. Both tamariki enjoyed a McDonalds breakfast this morning.



YEAR 6 TAMARIKI

It is already that time of the year when our local intermediate schools are asking that our Year 6 whanau start thinking about enrolling their children ready for a smooth start to being Year 7 students next year. Please check out the information below from Te Kamo Intermediate School, Whangarei Intermediate School & Tikipunga High School and keep an eye out for more information in upcoming newsletters.



TE KAMO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Enrolments for 2026 open THIS Thursday 17 July. For more information please see their website; kamoint.school.nz

A poster for Whangarei Intermediate School. It has a dark blue background with a circular inset on the left showing a landscape with a mountain and a house. The text is in white and yellow. It says "NAU MAI HAERE MAI KOUTOU KATOA" three times in yellow boxes. Below that, it says "WHANGĀREI INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL" in red, "ACCEPTING ENROLMENTS FOR 2026" in white, and "ENROL ONLINE - WIS.AC.NZ" in yellow. At the bottom, it says "MĀ TE WHANAUNGATANGA", "KA WHAI MĀTAURANGA TE ĀKONGA", and "KA TŪ RANGATIRA" in white.

A poster for Tikipunga High School's Open Evening. It has a pink background. At the top, there is a photo of five students. Below that, it says "OPEN EVENING" in large white letters. To the right, there is a list of activities: "Tour our facilities", "Meet our passionate staff", "Hear from students and staff", and "Learn about our academic and vocational pathways". Below the list, it says "Real learning, real connection - more than just a school." and "Come see the magic of our kura - the best kept secret in town!". At the bottom, it says "THURSDAY 17 JULY 4.30 - 6.30PM" and provides the website "tikipungahigh.school.nz" and the phone number "0800 437329". There is also a QR code.

POTENTIAL NEW ENROLMENTS

Do you have a child who will be attending Whau Valley School in the future? If so, can you please let us know by filling out the information below and sending it back to the school office. This helps us with forward planning.

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