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18 June 2025

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School Hours

8.30am: Gates Open 8.55am: **School Starts** 11.00am: First Break 1.15pm: Second Break 2.45pm: **School Finishes**

PUANGA -MATARIKI



The Māori New Year starts with the new moon of the first month of the cold season, Pipiri. Pipiri being the month when people started to come together or to piri back at the main settlement after living in the various food gathering sites during summer and autumn in preparation for the cold months ahead. Most iwi would call this celebration Matariki though throughout the Whanganui and Taranaki region it is called Puanga.

Ka titiro ki muri, ka haere ki mua - Look to the past to move into the future

It is a time to reflect on the past, acknowledging those who have passed on whilst looking towards the future and the upcoming new season.

Ka ngaro tātou i te hunga mate

(Joseph Twomey, Miss you my Dad)



















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Waipunarangi Zeporah Wipaki



Wai Māori Brooklyn Luke-Stevenson Potaka-Osborne



Wai Marino Isla



Zahria Waimotu-Dingle



Waitā Nico Walker



Wai Mārie Kyra Wedd



Wai Toiora Sophie Moase



STAR STUDENTS

Spotted by their Kaiako for something stand out this week



Waipunarangi Levi **Jones**

Wai Māori Chey-Dee Ponga

Wai Marino Ariella Karipa-Rio

Waitī Jacob Waitā

Wai Mārie Connor

Wai Toiora Hine

Vilimoni Caucau Bulivou Smith Rota

READING EXPERT



Maddison Baker

Maddison brings ngākaunui to her reading mahi, and reads with expression. It is a pleasure to hear her read.

Kei reira!, Right on! Maddison



1st Place - Whanganui 25 pts 2nd Place - Tamaupoko 21 pts

3rd Place - Tupoho 18 pts 4th Place - Hinengākau 14 pts

Ka pai anō Whanganui :-)

Pita Pit

Rāhina - Monday	Rātū - Tuesday	Rāapa - Wednesday	Rāpare - Thursday	Rāmere - Friday	
Beef meatballs on Potato	Roast Chicken with	Savoury Mince with	BBQ Meatball Sub	Beef Lasagne	
mash	Potato & Gravy	Nacho Chips			

Side order is either a Muffin, Biscuit, Slice, Cheese Stick, Brownie, Corn Chips, Mini Pancakes, Yoghurt, Popcorn, Bliss balls, Grainwaves, Vege crisps or a fruit bar.



2025 Term Dates

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MANA RIBBONS

Consistently Demonstrating Our School MANA Values over the year



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MANAAKITANGA	АКО	NGĀKAUNUI	AROHA	STUDENT LIBRARIAN
Zeporah Wipaki Devang Duddi Frankie Teaurima Justin Maxwell	Leo Moeke Devang Duddi Penitiko Yauvoli Frankie Teaurima Sodata Jones	Zeporah Wipaki Alizaey Wipaki Anare Rakala	Zeporah Wipaki Frankie Teaurima Florence Morrison	Patience Henderson Storm Ponga Anthony Davis

TERM 3 LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

We are holding Learning Conversations with whānau in Week 2 next term.

2pm to 5pm - Tuesday 22 July 2025 2pm to 5pm - Thursday 24 July 2025

School will finish at 1.15pm on both days to give kaiako a chance to clean up and get ready for interviews.

We are using a new booking system via our **Parent App**. Woohoo to those who have already booked! Apologies if you received multiple emails over the past two days!

If you are unable to book via the parent app, please contact the office and we'll book an appointment for you.

TERM 3 TEACHER ONLY DAYS

We advised at the start of the year that we would be holding two teacher only days on the 15th of August and 24th of October. Due to the timing of our teacher's professional development, we have to shift these to...

Thursday 28 August 2025 - school closed for instruction Friday 29 August 2025 - school closed for instruction

We understand that this is a big ask for you as whānau, but this is important training for our staff and these are the only days our provider can fit us in.

This is Week 7 of next Term, so we are giving you ten week's notice to please organise childcare for your tamariki. These are the only teacher-only days we will have this year.

PUANGA KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL



Kia ora mō tō tautoko i te kapa haka. Mīharo tamariki! Kei te tino poho kererū au kia koe. Thank you to our whānau who supported our babies at the Puanga Festival. Our babies SMASHED IT!! We, the whole staff were very proud of each student who showed dedication by using their break times to perform.



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