

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

Wedn 4th GOLF lessons
Monday 9th BOT meeting 5.15pm
Wedn 11th **TE Miro whole school**
Thurs 12th GOLF lessons
Friday 6th Year 8 visit to DHS
Wedn 18th School prize giving
Thurs 19th Last day of school

2025

Monday 3rd Feb—start of 2025 school year

REMINDERS

- ⇒ Return slips for GOLF to be back by FRIDAY please
- ⇒ Sunhats to be worn this term
- ⇒ Please send your child to school with a drink bottle.
- ⇒ Please look at home for library and reading books.

ABSENTEES

Please notify the office of your child's absence, either by phoning the office on 3740870, texting 021 0885 9015 or use the "absence" function on Skool Loop.

Principal Chat

Welcome / Welkommen / Kia Ora Koutou

It's lovely to have the sunshine while we enjoy our beautiful kura. We are so lucky to have such an inviting space for our kids and community.

Our Prizegiving is on **Wednesday 18th December**. Please mark this date on your calendar. Prizegiving starts at 5.30pm and will be followed by a BBQ. Please bring a plate to share with either a salad or dessert. Our Board of Trustees will supply the meat.

Welcome Gary Duley onto our BOT. It is GREAT to have parents willing to learn how our kura runs and join the team at the Governance level.

Please remember if you are **picking up your children**, to let the office know. This also applies at the end of the day. This way we know all of our tamariki are safe.

It is that time of year when we ask for all parents and whanau to look for any library books or reading books that have come home from school. We will be doing a **library stocktake** over the next couple of weeks, so you may get a notice home regarding outstanding books..

The building work on Rata has finally started. It is quite exciting to see the progress already being made.

The whole school is doing **Golf lessons** starting next Wednesday. If you are able to help with transport for either day, can you please let us know. The cost for a bus was too high so we will be going by car. All permission slips need to be back at school by this Friday. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students and a real treat for the end of the year.

.Ka Kite Anō
Angela McQuarrie

"Caught being good cards"

Levi Bailey for being a respectful speaker using his manners with a polite tone to his learning partner — this week's Duffy Book winner

Alexander Brown for consistently striving to learn new information, strategies, skills and language.

Eadon Ranui for exceptional detail and excellence to strive and attain the highest standard and effort with his Armistice Day picture.

Alexander Duley for listening well on the mat and following instructions.



JUNIOR TABLOIDS SPORTS DAY

On behalf of Norsewood & Districts School, we would like to sincerely thank The principals of Dannevirke South, St Josephs and Huia Range Schools as well as Matua Murray for their time, effort, support, service and organisation of our Tamaki Nui a Rua Junior Tabloid Sports day held on the 8th November 2024. It was an exceptional day of physical activity, collaboration and connection as a community. *Koka Hiraina*

The Junior Tabloid Sports were held at Huia Range School. I was given a number and that was my team. It was amazing. I really liked the parachute. Each activity had a PAL who helped us learn and do the activity. **Warren**



My favourite activity at the Junior Tabloid Sports was all of the throwing games. I was in a team with kids I didn't know except for Dylan. I had a great time meeting new people. **Joseph**



The Junior Tabloid sports was an amazing place to meet and make new friends. The sports activities got my body moving and my heart beating. It was a beautiful day. I saw many people and we were like a great big whanau. We helped each other. We cheered for each other. We made each other feel joyful together as a team.

**Nga mihi maioha,
Evie**

I was running at the activity with the big mat. I smashed into another boy. It was an unfortunate accident. My head ached and I bit the inside of my mouth. I was really sad and confused. Koka Hiraina rang my mum. My mum picked me up and gave me a cuddle. I had an absolute blast until I got hurt. It was a sensational day with lots of smiling children. **Elijah**



Last Wednesday I went to the Interschool Athletics with my Dad. I entered the high jump, long jump, long distance, sprints and throwing activity. It was a great experience to compete against other boys from different schools. I did my best in every event. I want to do it again next year. My favourite event was the sprints. My heart was racing as fast as my feet. **Dexter**