

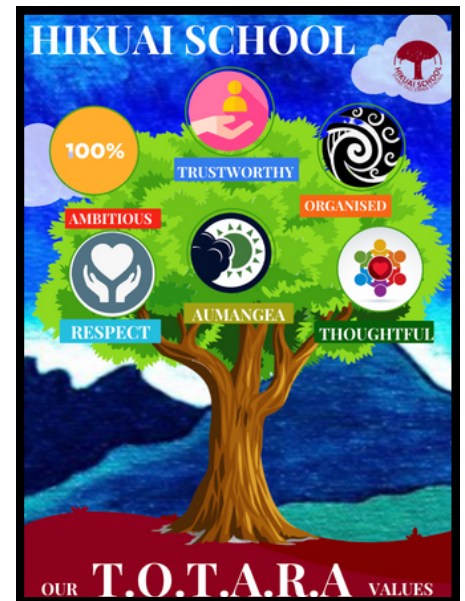


NEWSLETTER

Kia ora everyone.

Well, the weather has changed and we have had a wave of sickness impacting both students and staff. Thank you to our amazing relieving teachers who have stepped in to keep our classroom learning going. Denise Ball and Erin McMurray along with some new faces, Jacqui van der Beek and Sharlene Ryan have been wonderful. We have staff away at present and are very grateful once more for the extra support. Also, a huge thanks to Kylie Fraser for running our food technology sessions. The team have really loved their learning. We really value our community and the help they give.

Ngā mihi, Rachell



Just Dance Sessions have started on wet days. Students can learn dance routines and perform them together.

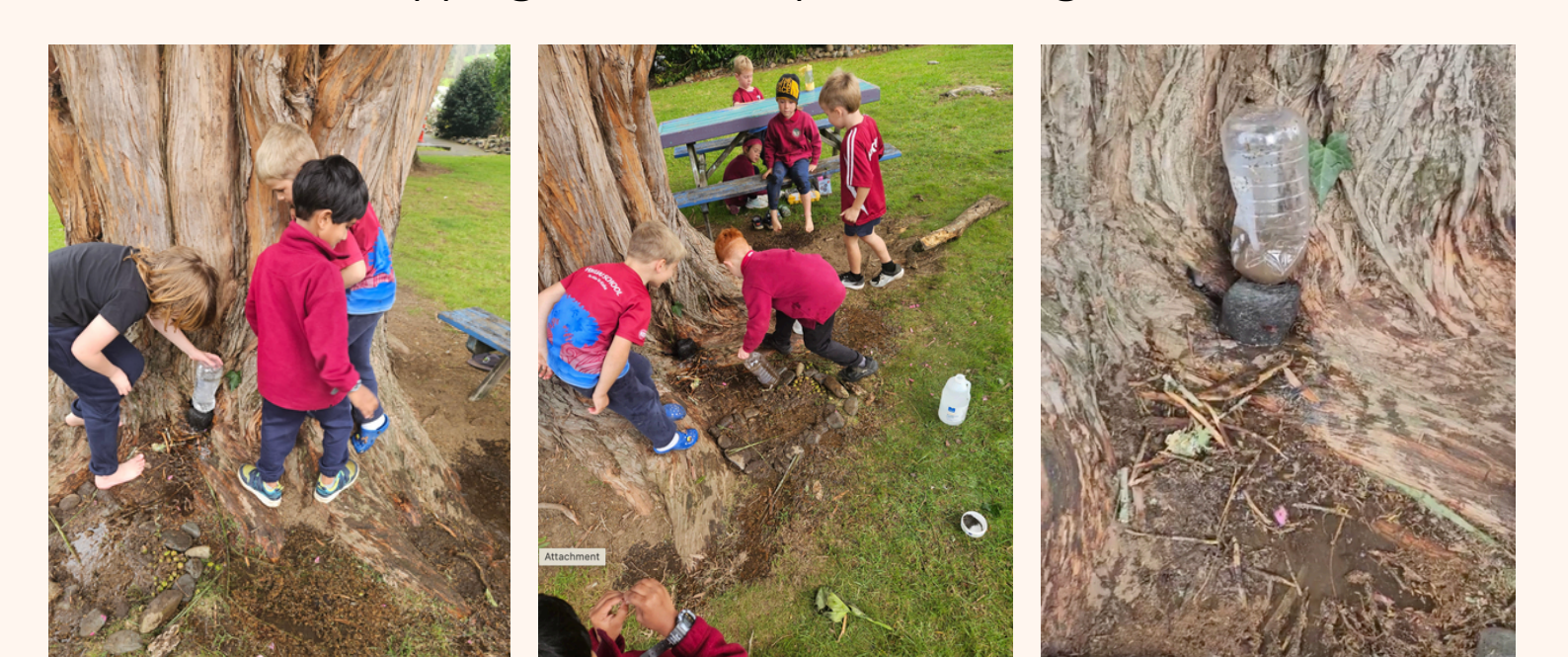
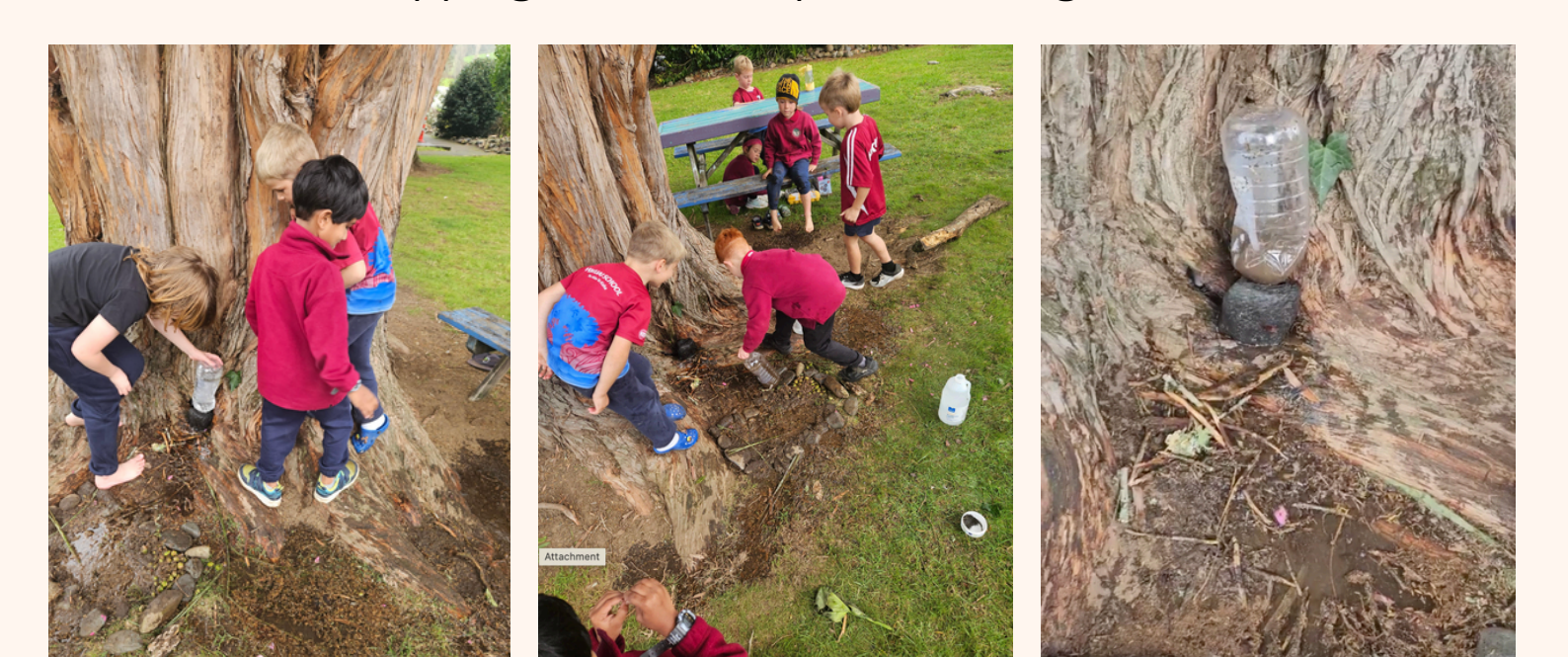
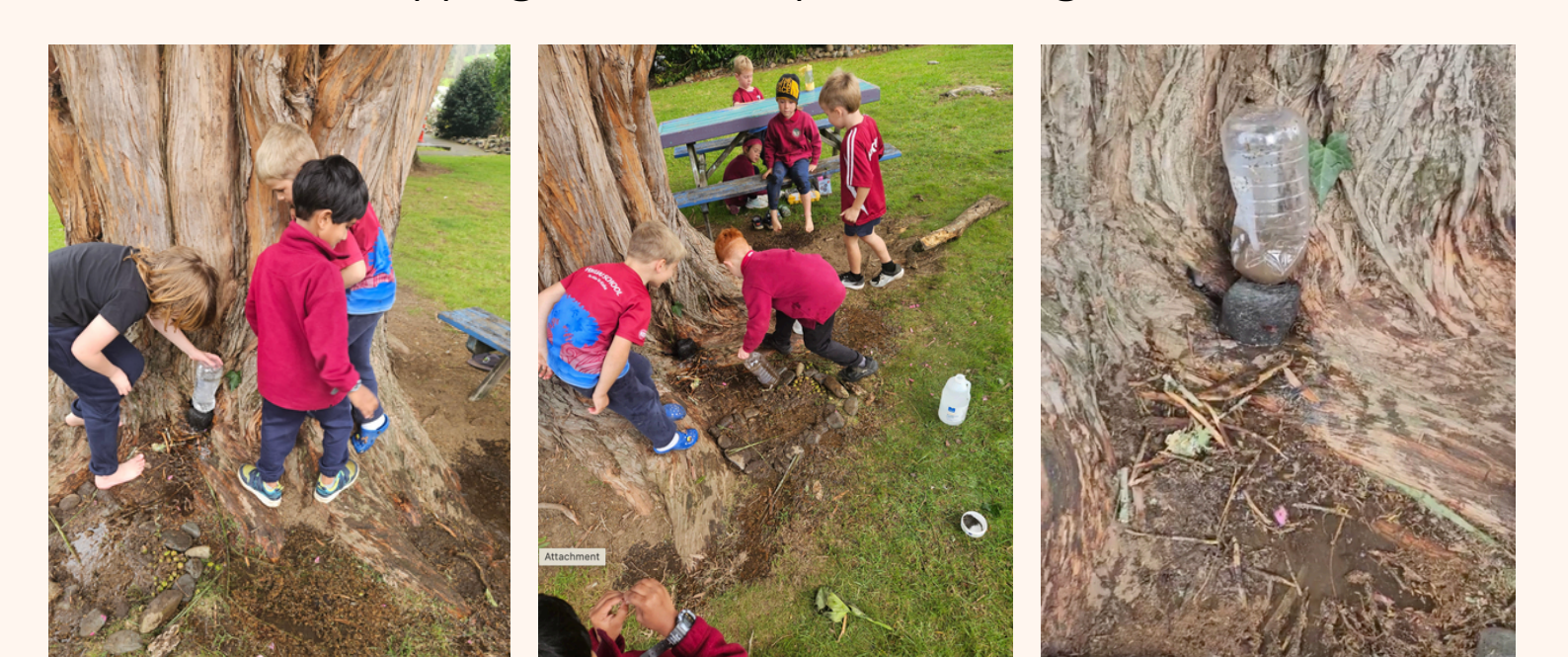
Thanks to Ms Russell for the suggestion. Wet lunchtimes just got better!



KIA ORA FROM TE WAHAPŪ



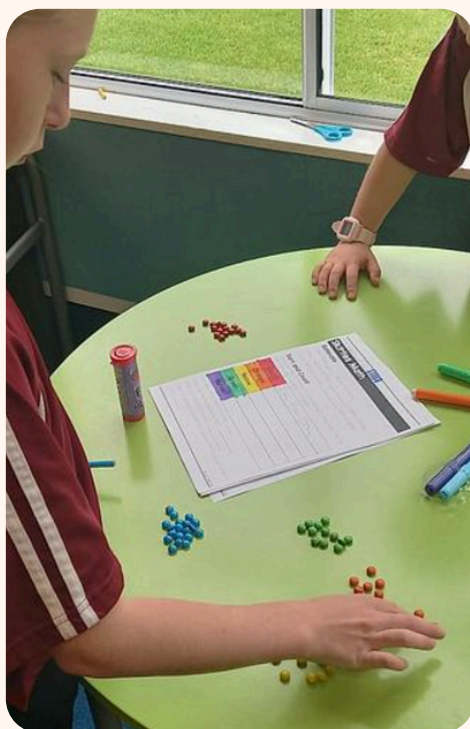
Podcast pictures! Today, we met DiggerRex! Drawing what we heard as we built our listening skills while listening to the podcast. Then, bringing in oral language development as we retold what we'd drawn. It's awesome to see so many dinosaurs, lapping waves, and palaeontologists!



Te Wahapū has a new water feature! Some clever cookies worked out how to balance water bottles on top of a hollow piece of wood.



TENA KOUTOU FROM TE AWA

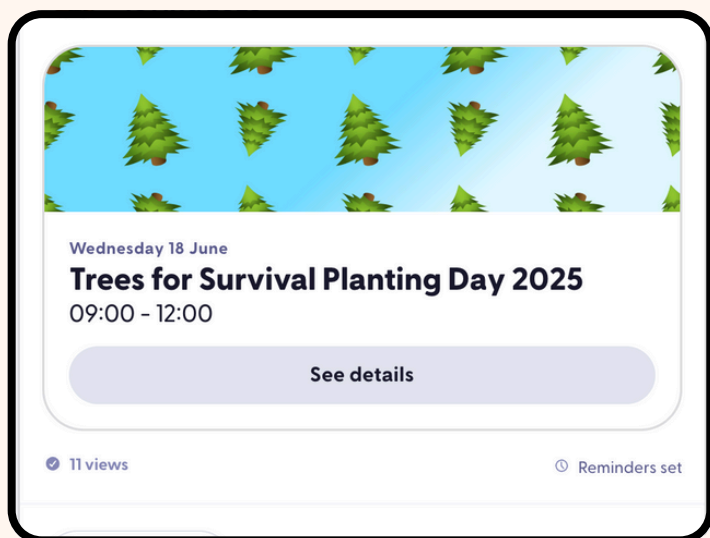


Practical Maths!

Who doesn't love chocolate?

Today in Te Awa, maths is all being driven by M&Ms. Estimating, sorting, graphing, predicting, fractions and percentages. It's amazing what you can tease out with the promise of sweets!

Trees For Survival



Te Awa and Te Maunga are getting ready to plant out the next generation of seedlings as part of the Trees for Survival programme. This will be Hikuai School's third planting with Trees for Survival, and we are hoping to get a break in the weather to allow the area being planted to dry out.

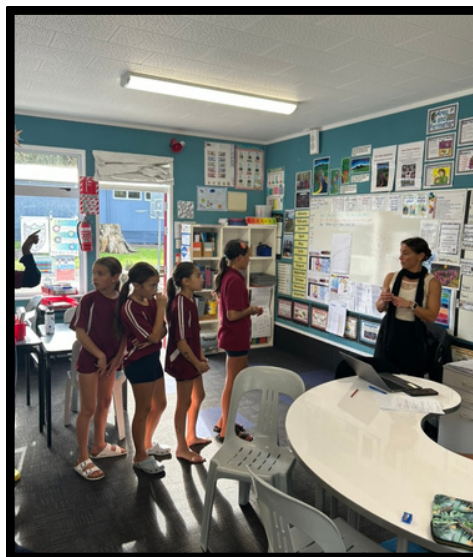
We know that the students will do a great job getting many plants in the ground with the help of our adult volunteers.

This year we are working with our other neighbours, the Clarke family farm. It will be a great day and the mahi will fly by!

KIA ORA FROM TE MAUNGA

Term 2 Week 6 2025

Last Friday, Te Maunga was able to get some fresh air while doing land art. The children really seemed to enjoy the process of collecting natural materials and creating the art work. The finished pieces were photographed to immortalise the creations... there were some really beautiful and creative masterpieces.



A new maths game that Ms Cassie plays with Te Maunga is the basic facts circle challenge. We play with two groups, who all take a turn filling in the answers on the game board. Strategies include leaving the easy ones for someone else if you know that harder ones.



What's on Top, from the BOT



Kia ora whanau and our wonderful school community!

We thought it was time for a Board of Trustees mid year update to let you know what has been going on behind the scenes for us so far this year.

- Building works - Te Wahapū will be undergoing significant work in the next few months - we are still waiting on a start date as they will be lifting the classroom and much planning is required. Projects will also be undertaken with regard to exterior cladding and flooring.
- We are currently reviewing our Transport Policy and Procedures, our Volunteer Policy and our Administration Policy. We have allocated a sub-committee to do this.
- At the start of 2025, we welcomed Nicola Russell in Te Wahapu learning space. Nicola was appointed as maternity cover for Laura van Leuween and has quickly become part of the Hikuai family.
- At the start of Term 2, we welcomed Cassie Elowe to the Te Maunga space, Cassie is on site Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
- School Pool - The board has prioritised the planning and funding for relining the pool and tidying up the surrounding area. Sarah Waters has been working closely with a grants application consultant, gathering quotes which has taken an immense amount of work. All grant applications are now in and we await the outcome. It is the Board's hope that this will be done in time for summer.
- We said goodbye to Brett Rhind who has been a co-opted member on our Board for the last two years. We wish Brett and his family all the best as they move on to their next chapter.
- Board of Trustee elections are coming up in September. More information will be coming out about this in the coming weeks. Now is the time to start thinking about putting your name forward if you wish too.
- Emily Ratcliffe has been working hard to get our school signs erected. Sign 1 is positioned on Hikuai Settlement Road, on the way into Pauanui. Sign 2 will be positioned on the corner of SH25 and Morrisons Road in the Clarke's paddock. A big thanks to Storms Contracting for donating the poles and putting them in for us. Emily Ratcliffe's father, Craig who is a professional photographer, did the photography for us and donated his time and editing, Jessie Macaw kindly provided her skills and put the images and writing together and Devan Rowe from Sharp Signs printed the signs for us free of charge. A big thanks also to Sam Macaw for getting our sign up. Thank you to everyone who has aided in getting this project completed.
- Our priority learner profiles have been well established. Teachers are providing extra support and resources guided by their professional development. Great acceleration and results are being seen.
- Staff and Principal appraisal continues this term.
- Brett Coleman from Stix IT Solutions has been working on protective programmes across our internet so that we continue to keep our kids safe online. This is a top priority for the BOT.
- We are continuing to explore the idea of establishing a Hikuai School Trust.
- The PTA has been established and has hit the ground running with the Summer Raffle and upcoming Hunting Competition. They have done an amazing job at getting this set up as it is no easy feat!

The Board would like to extend a huge thank you to our volunteers that come into school and help, those that offer their knowledge and expertise and those that continue to support. You are very much appreciated.

Signing off for now! See you all at the Hunting Comp!
Poroporoaki mo naiane!

Stacey



What's Happening?

Here is what we know about so far:



June 2025

2nd	King's Birthday - school closed
11th	National Young Leaders Day - Yr 7/8
13th to 15th	Hikuai School Pig Hunting Competition
17th	Learning Conferences - 1.00pm
18th	Matariki Dinner
20th	Matariki - school closed
26th	Totara Assembly - 2.00pm - MPR



Hikuai School Flood Protocol

Hikuai School operates our flood list procedures well in advance of any potential flood. We use the regional council river levels website to monitor the Tairua River level at both Morrisons Bridge and Broken Hills.

We keep in touch with our local community of river watchers and the ministry bus provider to ensure that pupils are able to attend school and get home safely.

In the event of a possible flood the school will contact you via phone as part of our flood list procedure.

It rains a lot in Hikuai.

Please send your child to school unless we contact you via the flood list.



COMMUNITY



HIKUIAI SCHOOL HUNTING COMPETITION 13-15 JUNE 2025

ADULTS - \$50
KIDS - \$15

**OVER \$10,000 PRIZE POOL INCLUDING CASH
AND PRIZES. MAJOR SPOT PRIZES.**

ADULT CATEGORIES - SNAPPER, PIG, MOST
POSSUMS
KIDS CATEGORIES - SNAPPER, POSSUM, MAGPIE
HARE AND RABBIT

SIGN UP THROUGH HUMANTIX BARCODE HERE OR LINK ON
SOCIALS.



HIKUIAI SCHOOL HUNTING COMP 13-15TH JUNE, 2025



ADULTS - \$50

- BOAR 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
- BEST HOOKS 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
- AVERAGE WEIGHT
- MYSTERY WEIGHT
- MOST POSSUMS
- SNAPPER 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
- SNAPPER MYSTERY WEIGHT

KIDS (12 & UNDER) - \$15

- RABBIT 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
- MAGPIE 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
- POSSUM 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
- HARE 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
- SNAPPER 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
- SNAPPER MYSTERY WEIGHT

BBQ & BURGERS

- FOR ALL ENTRANTS

RAFFLES & MERCH

- RAFFLES TO PURCHASE ON THE DAY
- MERCH AVAILABLE FOR PRE-ORDERS AND ON THE DAY

ALL SPECTATORS WELCOME

- SUNDAY 15 JUNE FROM 12PM
- ENTERTAINMENT, GAMES, KIDS CORNER ETC
- FUN FOR EVERYONE!

LADIES

- BOAR 1ST, 2ND, 3RD
- HEAVIEST SNAPPER

ENTRIES CLOSE: MIDNIGHT 11TH JUNE





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AUCKLAND PICK-UP
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Young Explorers Camp

NGATUHOA LODGE

BOOK NOW

7th-11th JULY, 2025

We have an amazing week lined up with bush walks, archery, air rifle, fire building and cooking, hut building, high abseiling, swimming, kayaking, tubing, mountain biking, night activities and much more!

- Pick-up/Drop off available from Hamilton, Tauranga & NOW Auckland
- Suitable for 7-13 years old
- OSCAR Subsidy available
- Ngatuhua Lodge is set in the Kaimai Ranges behind Omanawa Falls in the beautiful Bay of Plenty



PRICE
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5 days
Mon-Fri

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