



Te Kura o Hau Karetu

He waka eke noa: *We're all in this waka together*
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Kia ora, Talofa Lava,

Winter clothing - We are well and truly in the midst of winter, aren't we? While snow looks beautiful on the mountains, it sure is cold. I think 4 degrees is freezing, but I was reminded last night that in other countries in the world, winter temperatures can get down to minus 20 degrees – now **that's** freezing! It reminds me to please ask everyone to make sure their children are dressed appropriately for winter temperatures please. Also, if you have young children who tend to like to play on the grass or in the mud, please provide a change of clothes for them. We have plenty of clothing here but never seem to have the right sizes.

Whānau Hui – Wednesday 11th June 6-7pm. This hui is for Te Mataahae whānau – we would appreciate it if you would all attend, as we have some very important messaging for you. Thank you.



Kaupapa mō te wiki/Value of the week – this week is Akohia/Learning – Helping each other out during learning time. Last week was Whakaute/Respect – letting others through the door before you. We still need practice. 😊



Matariki – The Matariki Holiday is Friday 20th June, and we all get to have a holiday. **You are all invited to our Matariki Breakfast on Thursday 19th June from 8am**, then at 9am, you will see our Kapa Haka performance group as well as our whole school kapa haka show their stuff. Come and see our Matariki artwork that will be on display, and please bring shared kai if you're able.

Whānau hui for parents of children who are neurodiverse – this will be held in the staffroom on Thursday 19th June at 9.30am. Come along to hear about who can support you in your journey with your child with very special gifts.



We are loving right now – this four leaf clover that Trinity found. Clover are generally found to have only 3 leaves, and it is according to Irish folklore, good luck to find a 4 leaf clover The Irish four-leaf clover is a rare variation of the common three-leaf clover and is widely associated with good luck and fortune. It's believed that finding one is a sign of good fortune and can bring positive vibes. Go and buy a lotto ticket right now Trinity!

Attendance: We're pretty much staying at 87% attendance year to date. Considering it is the beginning of winter, I think we're doing really well. Thank you to those of you who are getting your children to school on time every day



Congratulations to Jason, Hunter P, Shem, Lincoln, Riley, Daniel, Gabrielle, Kyzar, Winter, Sylus, Christian, TE Morehu, Gaara, Logan, Nicholas, Indi, Janeiro, Leo Peck, Leo Panes, and hiding-behind-the group-person for receiving a Principal's Award last Friday 6th June at assembly. We think you're amazing, and I know how hard you have worked to receive this award.

Well done Te Whanganui who made these amazing waka. Our whole school have been studying about how the Māori ancestors travelled to Aotearoa and what their vessels might have looked like and how they might have been built. The ancestors brought all kinds of foods and seeds on their vessels, as well as traversing the largest ocean in the world using stars at night time. They were incredible people: strong, resilient, brave, adventurous, and talented – they would have been the best and brightest of their people. These ākonga/learners created their waka and received awards for the most creative, and most authentic waka. Congratulations and well done on your hard work to Charlie, Harper and Xanthea.



Ngā mihi nui
Karen Wellington
Tumuaki/Principal

Heads Up:

- **Covid and influenza A** are still with us. We ask if your child is unwell that you keep them at home please and contact us to let us know.
- **Nits** – they're still around. Please keep an eye on your child's head and treat them as soon as you notice them. We have treatments here – if you need any, please let Roseanne or Rachel know. Thank you.
- **Pride Month:** It is Pride month throughout June. Pride month is about celebrating diversity, inclusion, and acceptance of the Rainbow Community and we are happy to support this.
- **Volunteers** – We are definitely still after more Breakfast Club helpers. Please let Roseanne or Rachel at the office know if you're able to support. Thank you.



Events Term T1 & 2 2025

Week 7 9-13 June	Māori Whanau Hui Wednesday 10 th June 6pm in Te Mataahae.
Week 8 16-20 June	MIS Sports day – Year 6 students Tuesday 17 th June Matariki Breakfast Thursday 19 th June 8am – all welcome Hui for parents of children who are Neurodiverse Hui 19 th May – 9.15am in staffroom Matariki Holiday – Friday 20 th June
Week 9 23-27 June	Mid Term Reports go out this week Last day for the term Friday 27 th June 3pm