



## Te Kura o Hau Karetu

He waka eke noa: *We're all in this waka together*  
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### Pānui/Newsletter 15 August/Here o Piripi 2023

Kia ora, Kia orana, Malo e lele, Faka lola lahi atu,

**Kauapa mo te Wiki/Value for the week:** Atawhai/Kindness: This week our focus is on being kind to ourselves. We are making self affirmations to ourselves which means we are saying kind things that strengthen us. The more we say positive things to ourselves, the more it comes true! An example might be: I am proud of myself. I am brave. I am strong.



**Golden Children** – Merissa and Otis are on fire for their reading! Their learning in reading is taking off like a rocket! We are so proud of you both. We know how important reading is – it's the gateway to all the other curriculum areas. Miharo!

**New Nit Clinic:** Whaea Tish is starting with the nit clinic this Wednesday. Any time you would like her to treat their hair, you will need to complete a permission form which has been shared last week on Skool Loop, or you can find a hard copy at the office.

If Tish doesn't get around to treating your child's head due to demand, she will be in contact.

### Painters:

Our painters are painting our admin block – hooray! Please take care around any ladders, cones, or drop cloths – thank you.

**Cluster Kapa Haka Group:** Our kotiro/girls were rehearsing in Te Kahui o nga hau e wha/Upper Hutt Cluster Kapa Haka performance group. We are so proud of the girls who give it their all and are shaping up to be champion performers.



**Goal setting:** We still have some spare slots for goal setting interviews on Thursday. Please go to Skool Loop to book a time. Remember that school finishes early on Thursday – at 2pm, so we can fit more people in for goal setting. We expect every child to attend with their whanau and there are lots who haven't yet booked a timeslot – we have got loads of great things to share with you! Thank you.

**Elections are coming up on 14<sup>th</sup> October.** Make sure you're registered to vote and have your say as is your right as a citizen of Aotearoa/NZ. Go to: <https://vote.nz/2023-general-election/resources/resources>



### Head's up:

- Skool Loop App:** We would encourage you to all install the Skool Loop app onto your phones. It is a great way for us to communicate to you. Thank you.
- Gates are closed each day from 9am to 3.10pm.** We would encourage you to drop your child outside the school in the mornings. We will bring your child to the gates in the afternoons and cross them over the road at Hillside Drive, and walk them from the back gate to Norana Road. **Please don't park on the yellow lines or park on footpaths.**
- School Policies and Procedures:** Policies for review this term are: Inclusive Education, Māori Education, Learning Support, Learning Support Coordination, Identifying Learning Support, and Gifted Learners. These are all important policies. We'd encourage you to go online to have your say: Go to: [schooldocs.co.nz](http://schooldocs.co.nz) – input our school name, user: māoribank and password: waka
- School Website:** We have changed our school website. The address is: <http://tekuraohaukaretu.weebly.com>
- Illness:** Please keep children home if they are unwell. We would appreciate it if you would also advise us each day that they are going to be absent.
- Goal Setting interviews:** This term, we are holding goal setting at school on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August from 2pm – we will finish school early on this day.** Booking times are from 2.15-5pm, and 5.30-7.15pm. To book your goal setting interviews go to the Skool Loop app. **We expect all whanau to attend these interviews.** Thank you.
- Mud:** We are encouraging children to stay off the grass due to the muddiness of it. It is a good idea for caregivers of younger children to pop a change of clothes into their bags, and maybe get them to wear gumboots for this time of the year. Thank you.

### Riddle me this:

*Well done to Tierra who won last week's riddle. The answer of course was "your name".*

*This week's riddle What gets bigger, the more you take away?*

Nga mihi nui, Karen Wellington, Kaihau/Timekeeper on the Waka

### Significant items for the Term 3 calendar:

<b>Week 5</b> <b>14-18 Aug</b>	Marae Visit Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug Thursday – Goal setting from 2pm here at School Please book your times on Skool Loop – thank you.
<b>Week 7</b> <b>28Aug-1Sept</b>	Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> August – Parent Support Group - Neurodiverse students – 9am in staffroom
<b>Week 8</b> <b>4-8 Sept</b>	Wig Wednesday – Raising money for child cancer
<b>Week 10</b> <b>18-22 Sept</b>	Last day of term Friday 22 Sept. Return to school for term 4 on Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October.

My whanau and I have read the newsletter for 15<sup>th</sup> August/Here o Piripi 2023. Please tear off and put into the draw for a prize at assembly on Friday.

Signed (name): \_\_\_\_\_