Te Kura Tuatahi o Ngaaruawaahia

Ngaaruawaahia Primary

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Kia ora e te whaanau,

Welcome back to Term 2. It has been fantastic to see our aakonga returning ready to get stuck into all that the term has to offer. There has been a real buzz around the kura, and it's been especially pleasing to see so many of our tamariki proudly wearing the new school uniform. A reminder that uniforms can be purchased via our website, which includes a range of payment options. All Year 1–7 tamariki will need to be in the new uniform by the start of Term 3. Hoodies for our Year 7–8 students are also available to order through the office.

Nau mai, haere mai to the new students and whaanau who have joined us over the past few weeks—it's great to have you journeying alongside us. We are also excited to be celebrating our 170th enrolment next week, a significant milestone for our kura.

You may have noticed that work has begun on the Hamilton North Satellite Unit on our field. This marks an exciting step forward as we continue to grow our capacity to meet the diverse needs of all learners in our community.

Property Update

Over the past five years, our kura has seen significant upgrades and improvements. This includes a full school repaint, installation of LED lighting across all spaces, new carpet in every classroom, new water fountains, and the refurbishment of Puaawai Hub with added decking and a specialist toilet/shower. Our library has been converted into an additional classroom, a brand-new kitchen has been installed in the hall to support our school lunch programme, Whanakee Hub has been refurbished, and the hall has been reroofed—just to name a few.

Looking ahead, the next two years will bring further exciting developments, including a complete refit of the Technology Centre, new senior toilets, a senior playground, and a covered court.

There is always something happening around our kura as we continue to create a welcoming and high-quality learning environment. As always, great things take time—and investment.

Have a great week, and we look forward to seeing you around the kura soon.

Ngaa manaakitanga
Matua Murray and the NPS team

TAKIWAATANGA

Our takiwaatanga students have been getting involved in soccer and hockey practise







PUAAWAI



Our 1st week back saw some new faces joining our hub.
We all acknowldeged ANZAC Day with each class making, eating and writing about our delicicous ANZAC biscuits.









PUANGA

Puanga Hub students have been hitting the turf and the field with incredible energy this week! From perfecting their footwork in soccer to sharpening their stick skills in hockey, everyone is working hard to be in top form. All this practice is leading up to the Inter-School competition next Wednesday. We are so proud of the teamwork and sportsmanship on display









WHANAKE

Our class has been exploring abstract art, using bold lines, shapes, and vibrant colours to create eye-catching designs. Students followed a step-by-step visual arts process, showing great attention to detail as they worked through each stage



SPORTS UPDATES

Kia ora e te kura whaanui,
Our sports programmes for Term 2 are well underway, and it has been awesome to see the energy and skill across all year levels. Over the past few weeks, our aakonga have been actively building their soccer and hockey skills in preparation for our upcoming interschool competitions this Wednesday 06 May.
Our Puaananga and Whanake hub teams will represent our kura in Hockey at St Paul's School and in Soccer at Centennial Park this Wednesday.
Whaanau, if you are free, we would love your support on the sidelines as our tamariki showcase their learning and represent our kura with pride.
Games will begin shortly after 9:45am following karakia. If you are unsure which sport or venue your tamaiti is attending, please contact the kura and we will help guide you to the right place so you don't miss the action.

Alongside this, our netball teams are well and truly underway in their 13-week season at the Eastern Waikato Netball Centre. We have been really impressed with the level of skill, teamwork, and commitment shown across all teams. A reminder to whaanau: our Taonga and Bronze teams usually play in the earlier rounds, so please aim to be at the courts by 3:30pm. Our Silver and Gold teams, our senior groups, typically play later, so we recommend arriving by 4:10pm. If you are ever unsure about game times, please contact the kura for support.

We are also proud to celebrate the strong character being shown across our teams. Each team had the opportunity to acknowledge a player who demonstrates values both on and off the court. This week, we recognise Maatatira Tamati (Whanake Tahi). In her first week, our coaches showed her maanakitanga to help lift her spirit, and in return, she showed courage and care by getting back on with it and continuing to give her best.
Ka mau te wehi to all of our aakonga who continue to represent our kura with pride.
Ngaa mihi

Hockey **Venue:** **St Paul's Catholic School** **Staff:** **Wirihana** **April** **(Sharon - Storm)**	Jaraiyah Tyty Wiki Honey Amelia Jayde Cali-Jo De'Vinci Max Te Ariki Liam (11)	Anthony Arahina Lisa Ben Raniera Madison Irie Stormy-Reign Jaheem Jahliveon (10)	N/A	Tangiaitua Kameta Awatea Stoney Ixi Maatatira Baylee Storm Tumatauenga Kortez (10)	
Soccer **Venue:** **Centennial Park** **Staff:** **Hinengakau** **Heramahina** **Keana** **Kim** **Hukarere** **(Lill - Iraia)**	Leeanne Raevyn-Jae Ngapuhi Bryzla Noah Kasariah Mannix Ataahua Antonio Mesmerize (10)	Italiyah Lee-Arie Maria Romeo Conrad Tuakana Yohaan Preston Saffron Liam Harley Rocki (12)	Simran Pia Delaney Cayden Orpheus Manawa Ljay Hikurangi Mohi Flower Lyric Mika Leone 13	Kawiti Harris Ata Mana Alexus Ataahua Kashis Iraia 8	Dallas Terence Legend Manuwhati Tj Dee'Jae Neo Ethan Te Maia Kiri Harper Sarai Awhi Jiraiya Jaisika Ataamia 16

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