

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEST END TE  
KURA Ō MŌRERE



## WEEK 1 TERM 4 2023

Tena koutou katoa,  
Welcome to Term 4 and our last term for 2023. This year seems to have gone really fast and our students have accomplished a lot of amazing learning. We had a whirlwind finish to term 3 with many amazing events that our students took part in. Check them out in this newsletter.

This term marks a change in seasons and the need for our students and staff to be aware of the increasing intensity of our sun. We require all students and staff to wear a wide brimmed hat and to apply sunscreen before coming to school. Baseball caps are not acceptable as they do not provide enough protection. If students do not have a hat during play times they will be expected to play in the shade.



## PRODUCTION 2023

Nga Haerenga o Taranaki (The journeys of Taranaki) showcased the schools learning for term 3. Our production was held at the end of last term at New Plymouth Girls High School. It was wonderful to see so many of our whanau enjoy an action packed event. The learning achieved from each class was immense. All classes researched a 'journey' that could take place in Taranaki. They created costumes and a story/dance to reflect their journey.

You would agree that each individual class created something unique. We travelled from surf highway 45 through to Stratford and many places in between.

Thank you to all the staff for your efforts last term and especially to our students who performed and led with mana and pride.

## TARANAKI MUSIC FESTIVAL

West End Te Kura Ō Mōrere took part in the Taranaki Music Festival at the end of term 3. Our choir performed with many Taranaki schools and entertained a huge audience at the TSB Stadium. Thank you Catherine Cooper and Rachel MacAvoy for making this possible for our students.



# WELCOME TO LOIS RUSHTON

We would like to welcome Lois to the staff this term. Lois comes to us from Merrilands school and she will be teaching in room 7 while Anitra Thwaites is on maternity leave. I am sure our school community will make her feel welcome.

## JUNIOR SWIMMING

Junior school swimming starts next week. All classes are swimming every Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday until the 3rd of November. A newsletter has gone home with the information for whanau.

## TARANAKI CROSS COUNTRY

A team of runners competed in the Taranaki Cross Country at the end of last term. It was a great effort from our runners who competed against the best runners from around our mountain. All students did our school proud and we were thrilled that Beau achieved a top 20 result. Thank you to Jane for your help with this event.



## DATES AND EVENTS

Term 4	
9 Oct	Start of term 4
17 Oct	Board Meeting
23 Oct	Labour Day (School closed)
9 Nov	Book Fair starts
13 Nov	Teacher Only Day
14 Nov	Book Fair ends
21 Nov	Board Meeting
20 Dec	Last day of the year

## TEACHER ONLY DAY

All of our teaching staff will be involved with professional learning on **Monday 13th November**. School will not be open for students. Thank you for your understanding.

## BOOK FAIR 2023

Our school book fair is coming again this term. It will begin on the 9th of November and finish on the 14th of November. More information will be shared soon.

## TATARAKIHI KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL

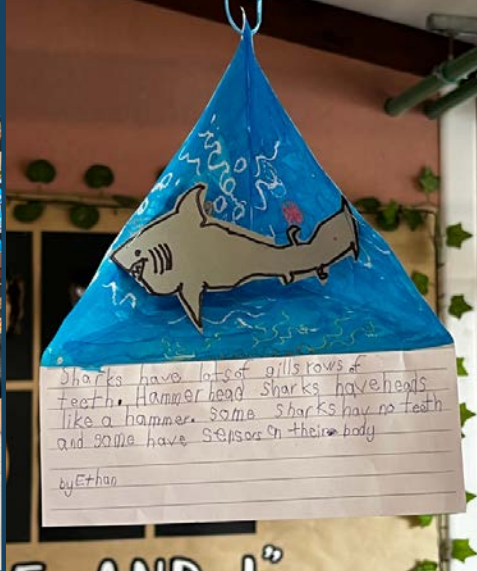
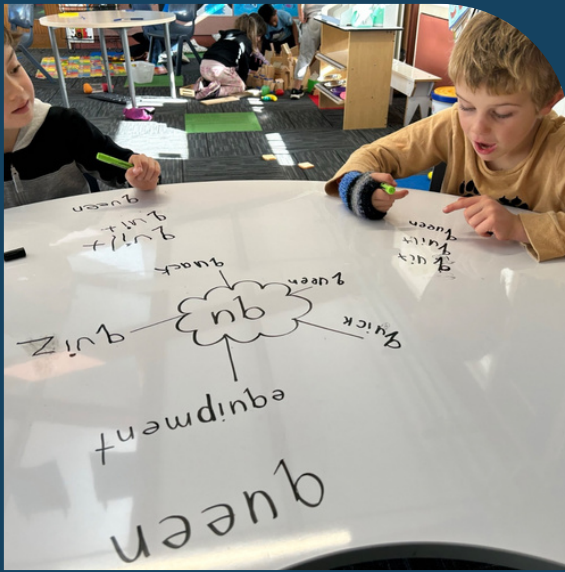


At the end of last term our Kapahaka ropu "Te puna waikoropupu o Tarawhata" took part in the Tatarakihi kapa haka festival in Hawera. The team went down together with Matua Warren, Carri Anne Stone and Matua Pete. They watched some of the other kura perform and then had the chance to wow the crowds with a wonderful performance. Thank you to the whanau who travelled down to support our kura. We were incredibly proud of their efforts and hard work.



# CELEBRATING RUMA WARU- ROOM 8

Chanelle Prentis is the teacher in Ruma Waru- Room 8. She teaches year 1 and 2 students. Their class is full of examples of their learning, especially their wonderful writing. They enjoy their play based learning and working together with room 7.



## AUTUMN

I found a leaf.  
It was green and yellow like an army tank.  
By Douglas



## AUTUMN

I found an orange leaf.  
It is a little oval shaped leaf,  
like an egg.  
It is smooth like the top of the table.  
By James



## AUTUMN

I have a leaf, it is wobbly and green.  
It is long like a feather.  
By Emerald

