



Thursday 7 March 2024

This week's PB4L Focus: Showing Compassion, Strengthening Connections

This week learners have been encouraged to share their likes and interests with their peers. They have focussed on listening carefully and building friendships with others who have similar interests. When learners share more with their peers, including how they are feeling it builds supportive relationships. Encourage your child to share these conversations with you at home too.



He aha te tupu i Tirimoana! What's happening at Tirimoana!

Seasonal Change - Uniform items

Everyone will have noticed the change in temperatures and rain this week! We have plenty of light and warm jackets for sale in the office, and plenty of shirts, shorts and trousers. If your children need extra uniform items then pop into the office.



It is a good idea to invest in a rain jacket or raincoat for your child. School does not supply these as uniform items so parents will need to shop around for suitable rainwear.

Good quality black shoes are recommended for Autumn and Winter. Crocs, multi coloured sports shoes and slip ons are not recommended for school wear.



Ramadan

The festival of Ramadan starts next week on Monday for Muslim followers all over the world. We wish our muslim families a happy and peaceful Ramadan. We know that many Muslim families, including their children, will be fasting during daylight hours for the month of Ramadan.



No cell phones at school during the school day

The government has ruled that students may not use cell phones during the school day. We are in the process of updating our procedures for this, and we welcome your views.

We propose that if your child needs a cell phone as part of the family plan for getting home after school, then children must hand in the cell phone into the school office before they start school. They may collect it from the office at hometime. We prefer that children do not bring a cell phone to school. Teachers will not be responsible for cell phones, and children are not allowed to keep them in their school bag.

We also propose that children may not take cell phones on school trips. Our teachers will have cell phones when they take children on trips, so in any emergency, parents may contact the teacher to get a message to children, or to check on their wellbeing.

The no cell phones in school policy applies to all primary, intermediate and secondary schools in New Zealand.

[We welcome your questions and feedback via the google form link below.](#)

Link: [Share your questions or views on 'Phones away for the day'](#)



PTA Meeting Parent Teacher Association

The Tirimoana School Parent and Teacher Association held its Annual General Meeting on Wednesday night. Thank you to the parents who attended. There was a discussion about fundraising ideas across the school year.

Election of officers:

Congratulations to Suzi Mattingley who was elected Chairperson, Kylie Kiss who was elected Secretary. Jenny Atkins stayed on as Secretary and Shirley Wensor as Treasurer.

We would like to thank our outgoing Chairperson, Deb Muff, and Secretary, Leeza Kendall for their service on the PTA.

What is the PTA?



PTA stands for Parent Teacher Association. Parent-Teacher Associations (PTAs) are a key part of the New Zealand education system.

PTAs are:

- a great way for you to be involved with your school
- a valuable support to our schools, students and families.

As a parent of the school you are already a member of the Tirimoana School PTA. If you would like to help with fundraising events please contact Jenny in the office.

NZ Opera performing at school tomorrow



Tomorrow our Year 3-6 learners will have the opportunity to enjoy a 40 minute adaption of the well known opera 'Elixir of Love'.

Opera in Schools productions are created to ensure that students will experience the delight and fun that opera has to offer.

After the performance, students have the opportunity to meet the artists, getting an up-close look at the performers who bring these captivating stories to life.

Junior School Athletics morning



Thank you to all the whānau who came to support the Junior School Athletics this morning. The students had a fun morning. Thank you also to the junior school teachers and support staff for a well run event.

Walking School Bus

Well done to everyone who has joined the walking school bus in the morning. The walking bus leaves the coffee shop on the corner of McLeod Rd and Te Atatu Rd at 8.30am and walks down McLeod, crossing over at Finlow Ave and continuing on to Divich Road. We then cross at the school crossing and enter Tirimoana School on Metric Place.

Please join if you live along this route and enjoy walking to school.

We walk in all weather conditions!



Kia ora and Welcome to
Tirimoana School



Year 1	Issac	Connor
Year 5	Rohan	



Friday 15th March: St Patrick's Day

Bring out your green!

St. Patrick's Day is observed in many countries and is packed with parades, good luck charms, and all things green. The event started as a religious holiday, but over time it's become a celebration of Irish culture.



Wear green accessories with your school uniform next Friday!

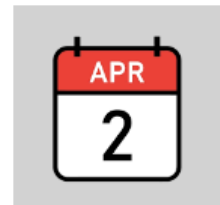


Gold coin donation please.



School is closed on Tuesday 2 April

This year Easter falls outside of the school holidays. Schools are closed on this day as a mandatory holiday as instructed by the Ministry of Education.



Please make suitable arrangements for your child to stay home on this day.

Fruit

Our learners have been enjoying the fruit bowl in the office. Thank you to Lunch with Crunch and the Te Atatu Fruit and Vege Shop who regularly support this initiative.



We would love more donations of fruit to keep this initiative going. If you have excess fruit from fruit trees at home or would like to donate a bag of fruit, please see Mrs Matthews.

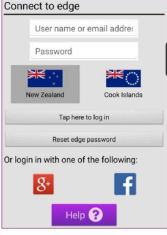
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edge Mobile App

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Once installed you will be asked to make up a 4 digit pin then enter your edge email and password. If you haven't already created an edge password you can enter your email then tap the 'Reset edge password' button to be emailed a link to do this. Once set you can enter this password in the app then tap 'Tap here to log in'.




To sign in, use the email address you have already given the school.

Need an email address added?

email dale.hammond@tirimoana.school.nz to add additional email addresses.

Features of the Edge Mobile App:

- Notify the school about your child's absence.
- Receive school announcements and notifications.



Year 1 and Year 2 'Learn to Swim' lessons

Year 1 and 2 students will take part in a 'Learn to Swim/Water Confidence' programme. This is part of our school-wide Physical Education curriculum.

The 5 x 45 minute sessions teach children the skills and knowledge they need to assess risk and make responsible decisions around water.


Lessons are held at Peninsula Primary School indoor pool facility by Swimsation Swim School instructors. Children will travel by bus to and from the pool. There is no cost to parents.

Session Times:
Every Thursday from 14 March to 11 April

Support from home:

- ❖ Name all togs, towels, goggles
- ❖ Plastic bag or swim bag for wet togs
- ❖ Tips on getting dried and dressed quickly (talk with your child)

Ngā mihi maia,
Tirimoana School



Year 1 and 2 Swimming starts next week

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 6	Friday 8th March	NZ Opera in school: Elixir of Love Y3-6
Week 7	Wednesday 13 March Thursday 14 March Friday 15 March	Zonal Athletics Year 1 and 2 Swimming St Patricks day at school - wear something green Gold coin donation please
Week 8	Monday 18th Wednesday 20 March Thursday 21 March Sunday 24 March	Senior School athletics morning Class Photos Mobile Library Bus at School Board Meeting Year 1 and 2 Swimming Tough Kid Challenge Y5 / 6 Krypton Factor @ Laingholm School: POSTPONED till AUG/SEPT
Week 9	Tuesday 26 March Wednesday 27 March Thursday 28 March Friday 29 March	Russell French (Whole School) Music workshops Russell French (Whole School) Music workshops Year 1 and 2 Swimming Good Friday: School is closed
Week 10	Monday 1 April Tuesday 2 April Thursday 4 April	Easter Monday: School is closed Easter Tuesday: School is closed Year 1 and 2 Swimming
Week 11	Thursday 11 April Friday 12 April	Year 1 and 2 Swimming Last day of Term 1



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