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Thursday 4 April 2024

This week's PB4L Focus:

This week learners have continued to discuss emotions and different strategies we can use to help manage our emotions. Children have been focussing on understanding the differences between an accident, being unkind or bullying. It is important for children to distinguish bullying from other unkind, mean and harmful behaviour, so appropriate action can take place. Please continue to help your child with strategies to manage feelings responsibly and understand these differences.



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



Changes Ahead in Schools

Yesterday I attended an all day education meeting at Auckland University along with representatives from around the country, from the Ministry of Education and from the university. Among the many topics of discussion were some changes that schools are facing.

- No cellphones in schools for students during school hours.
- A focus on the basics in primary education with one hour per day of reading, of writing and of
 mathematics, along with a focus on structured literacy and structured numeracy (teachers
 following a set plan of teaching and using a Common Practice Model of teaching).
- Soon to be introduced new mandatory assessments (tests) in primary schools.
- More non contact time for all primary teachers meaning teachers will be out of their classrooms more often.
- Making it easier for schools to employ overseas teachers due to the shortage of local teachers.
- Widespread concern about low rates of student attendance at school and greater emphasis on parent's responsibility to ensure their children attend school regularly.
- Widespread concern about disruptive behavior by some students in all schools, and strategies to
 address this. There have recently been articles in the media expressing concern about increasingly
 poor and disruptive behaviour by some students.

Our school is planning for how we will address these issues. In most areas we are already well underway. I will share some thoughts about these issues at the Parent Evening next Tuesday, 9th April.

Ngā mihi Peter Kaiser Principal

Ki o rahi Festival



Two teams of dedicated and talented students travelled to Rutherford College for the annual Ki o Rahi Festival. Up against some tough competition and despite the determined opposition team Tiri, under the expert coaching of Whaea Kura, won the competition - Wēhi nā!

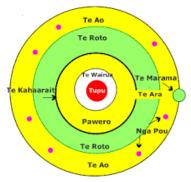




Team Moana, with expert guidance from Miss Weiss, worked hard and developed a lot throughout the day and placed 8th overall.

Ki o Rahi is a traditional Maori game Based on the Purakau (legend) of Rahitutakahina and the rescue of his wife Tiarakurapakewa. 2 teams, one Taniwha and the other Kīoma compete against each other.

Kīoma score by touching Pou/s with the Kī (ball) for potential points then running the Kī through Te Roto and placing it down in Pawero to convert pou touches into points. Kīoma stop the other team, Taniwha. Taniwha score by hitting the Tupu (the large barrel in the very middle of the field) from Te Roto with the Kī.



Parent Information Evening: Tuesday 9th April starting at 7.00pm



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We will share with you information on the schools response to Government education initiatives, our school 2024 strategic goals, the new Tirimoana Graduate Profile and much more!

Our Kapa Haka group will be opening the evening



There will be a disco under the canopy for the children. Bring money for a sausage sizzle, ice cream van and coffee cart.

It would be great to see all our Tirimoana families.

See you there!

Attendance Matters: Sharing Term 1 Attendance Data with Whānau

Our aim for 2024 is for all students to attend school for at least 90% of the school year.

Term 1 has shown us that 72% of students (450 students) had **regular attendance** of 90% or more - this means less than 5 days absent this term.

Ka pai to the 121 students who had 100% attendance!

23 % of students (143 students) had Irregular or Moderate attendance between 70-89%

5 % of our students (30 students)had **Chronic Attendance** and attended school less than 70 % of the time.

There may have been several factors that could contribute to Term 1's attendance:

- Many families have spent time overseas visiting family that they have not seen for over 3 years
- Many students had more than 5 consecutive days sick

With your support we are aiming for better attendance rates in Term 2.

Is your child leaving Tirimoana School? Please - let us know



If your child is moving school at the end of the term, please let the school office know.

This will help us with your child's transition to their new school



Kia ora and Welcome to Tirimoana School



Year 1

Clyde Hakaraia

Elara Heesch



Found

Found in the school playground. Please see Jenny in the office if this is yours.



The Easter Raffle raised \$3,700 for the school. Thank you for your support.





Second Hand Uniform Sale:

Wednesday 10th April 2.00pm- Outside School hall



Notices are coming home today.

Please suggest a time for your photo appointment between 8.15am-6.00pm.

Your photo time will be confirmed on money paid.

Daylight Savings - clocks change on Sunday



A handy tip is to change your clocks the night before daylight saving ends:

• In autumn — back 1 hour, for example, from 10pm to 9pm.

Some clocks and devices will adjust the time automatically, while others will need you to manually change the time.

History of daylight saving in NZ

New Zealand first introduced daylight saving time in 1927. The current times have been fixed since 2007.



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Swimsation has enjoyed having your child's school at our pool learning key swimming and water safety skills this term. Often, we see swimming as a summer activity, but our facilities allow it to be year-round.

- Indoors
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Please feel free to contact us to find out more information and/or book a free trial.

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Week 10	Sunday 7 April	Daylight savings ends: Clocks go back 1 hour
Week 11	Tuesday 9 April (new date)	Parent Information Evening:
	Wednesday 10th April	Second Hand Uniform Sale 2.00pm outside school hall
	Thursday 11 April Friday 12 April	Year 1 and 2 Swimming Last day of Term 1
	Term 2 start	ts on Monday 29 April
Week 1	Wednesday 1 May Saturday 4 May	Mobile Library Bus at school Photolife Family Portraits at School
Week 2	Wed/Thurs/Fri Wed/Thurs Wednesday 8 May	Year 3 trip to Corbans Art Centre Year 6 Trip to Chelsea Bay Year 6 Parent Camp Meeting

	Sunday 12 May	Mothers Day
Week 3	Tuesday 14 May Wednesday 15 May	Y5 & 6 Students to Writers Festival Future Leaders Day Board Meeting
Week 5	Tuesday 28 May Wednesday 29 May Friday 31 May	Year 1 trip to Zoo Mobile Library Bus at school Ministry of Education Teacher Only day (school is closed)
Week 6	Monday 3 June Tues/Wed	King's Birthday (school is closed) Year 4 Trip to Auckland Art Gallery

















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