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Thursday 15 August 2024

This week's PB4L Focus: Respect

This week's PB4L focus has been about how we show Respect. Our classes have been exploring the many ways we can show respect and act responsibly within our school community. Simple actions like opening doors for others, using polite manners, and walking—not running—inside our school buildings help create a safe and welcoming environment for everyone. Whether we're interacting with our peers, school staff, or visitors, these small acts of kindness and responsibility make a big difference. Let's continue to work together to make our school a place where everyone feels respected and valued.

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

Staff Absences due to Sickness

This term we are continuing to experience very high levels of staff illness and absences. This has an impact on classes and on children's learning at school. All our local schools are experiencing the same issue, and across Auckland there is a chronic shortage of relief teachers.

When we cannot get a day relief teacher, we have the following options:

- re-allocate another teacher from elsewhere in the school to take over a class (usually teachers who teach support Mathematics, English Second Language, Reading Recovery)
- ask deputy and assistant principals to take a class, and to catch up on their other work after school
- use multiple staff over a day, sharing out the teaching load
- dispersing children to other classes
- cancel regular Class Release Time (CRT) which we are obliged to provide to all teachers under their Employment Agreement.

Every school uses similar approaches, and every school is stretched to provide teaching cover. On some days we have had over 7 teachers away. The same applies to our teacher aide team, who are also experiencing high levels of sickness.

Please be aware, children often feel anxious when the regular teachers are absent. We are doing our best in a difficult situation. We currently have just 4 relief teachers that we can call upon, but they all also work in other local schools.



Kia ora and Welcome to Tirimoana School

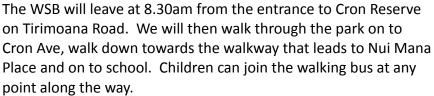


Year 0 Azalea



Walking School Bus (WSB) new route - Mornings

We are trialling a new morning Walking School Bus from Monday August 19th.





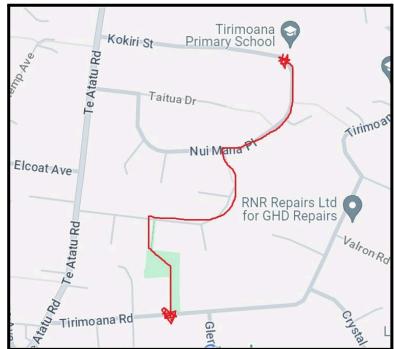
If you live in the surrounding area, we encourage you to join Mr Kaiser and Chevonne on Monday morning to see if the walking school bus is an option for your family. Please wait with your child until they have been 'picked up' from the WSB to ensure their safety.





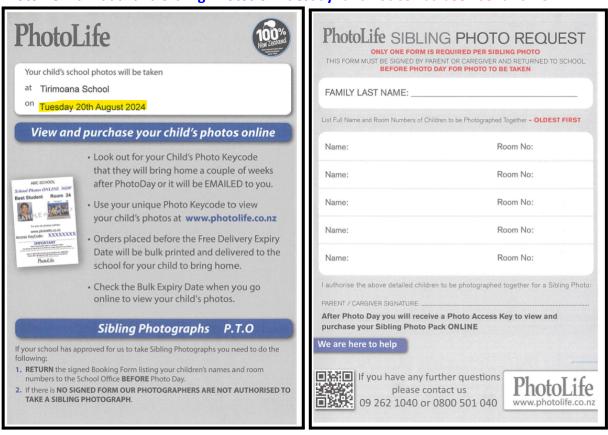






If you think this could be something you could support, please contact Mrs Matthews on <u>julie.matthews@tirimoana.school.nz</u>

Photolife Individual and Sibling Photos on Tuesday- this notice has been sent home



DO you have a preschooler that you would like included in the photo?

Photolife will take preschooler photos (with your school aged children) from 8.15am on Tuesday

Please go to the hall

	Monday	Tirimoana Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5 19-23 August	Book Week in school Performance (Whole school)	Photolife Portrait and Sibling Photos	Netball Zonal Board Meeting Y6 Volunteer Camp Meeting		
Week 6 26-30 August				Year 5 Marae Trip Parent meeting 6.30pm	Daffodl Day (Wear Yellow) Men's Morning
Week 7 2-6 September		Year 3 trip to Te Uru	Year 3 trip to Te Uru Mobile Library Bus	Year 3 trip to Te Uru	Year 1 and 2 Disco at lunchtime (Gold coin donation)
Week 8 9-13 Sept			Year 0/1 trip to MuSeum		Year 3 and 4 Disco at lunchtime (Gold coin donation)
Week 9 16-20 Sept					Year 5 and 6 Disco at lunchtime (Gold coin donation)
Week 10 23-27 Sept	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori	Ye Wiki o te Reo Māori	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori
		Art Expo Opening evening			Last day of term 3

Before School Care - Places available

Fun After Three has places available for before school care. **Mornings:** 7 am- 8.30 am. Breakfast provided. Contact Tracey Simonsen on 027 249 2428 or email funafter3@gmail.com





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