

Whāia Te Iti Kahurangi

Term one, Week 7

22 March, 2024

Te Karere o te Tumuaki Tuarua

Thank you to all our whānau who attended our Swimming Carnival last week, we hope you enjoyed it just as much as us. It was great to see our Tamariki show off their aquatic skills & despite the cooler weather, it was an extremely enjoyable event.

Yesterday, Rooms 10 & 11 went to Aratitia Marae for the day. They learned about our local history and did some awesome activities from poi making to carving, sketching to string games. Tamariki also spent time in the gully on their hikoī back to Kura. Rooms 12 & 13 got to experience the same today! A big shout out to all our whānau helpers, without your support these fun trips would not be able to happen, we appreciate you all.

Reminder: Easter is coming up & kura will be closed Friday 29th March, Monday 1st April and Tuesday 2nd April. We will see you all Wednesday 3rd April 2024.

Uniform:

We are hopeful that our ¼ Zip Pullovers will be here by the end of Term 1.

All students have all been sized up for the ¼ Zip Pullovers and every student will be given one. An invoice will be issued for the cost of the pullover per student. These cost \$30 each. Originally these pullovers were \$60 each however, the Board of Trustees has subsidised these for whānau. The BOT will continue to subsidise the first uniform shirt. As well as these items being subsidised, our board fully funds our stationery & school bucket hat. These hats will be distributed in Term 4 to all tamariki.

Please note; If you have pre-paid for a ¼ Zip Pullover earlier this term, you have a choice of either an extra pullover, shirt or being reimbursed the subsidised amount of \$30.

Ngā mihi mahana,

Whaea Toni

Year 6 Art Project

Congratulations to Matua Anaru and his team of budding young artists on their mahi for the community art project. Look out for the awesome work on the corner of Tongariro and Hukanui Road.



Swimming Carnival 2024

Kia ora e te whānau, what a fun filled day we had last week at the Swimming Carnival! Ka pai to all those amazing tamariki who participated in the events, it was lovely to see so many smiles and happy faces! Keep posted for assembly next week where you will find out which house won...



Kapa Haka

Tēna tatou e te whānau

There has been an extreme volume of interest in Kapa Haka this term therefore, we are focusing on finding our committed core group. For now, we have only opened up spaces for our Tuakana students (Years 5-6). Please encourage your tamariki who have signed up to make sure they are turning up to practices every Friday at first break.

Ngā mihi, Whaea Gazelle, Whaea Leah & Whaea Ngahuia.



Sports news

Netball:

Do you love sports? Are you the next Maria Tutaia? Well now is your time, come join our schools netball teams! We will be taking some Netball Clinics next week for our Teina and Tuakana tamariki to go over some basic skills and drills. Netball permission slips for all year levels have been given out to the tamariki who showed interest. If you missed out, please head to the office and grab one from Whaea Melodi. Just a reminder, your tamaiti will not be placed in a team until payment or a payment plan has been set up. We are eagerly looking for coaches and managers so please let us know if this is something you are interested in.

Basketball:

Keep an eye out for Basketball permission slips going out next week for all year levels. This takes place in Term 2 and 3.

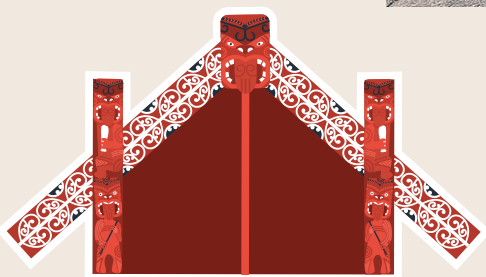
Movin' March

Health initiative:

Our school is taking part in 'Movin' March' which is run by the Hamilton City Council. It is all about moving our bodies getting to and from school - whether that is walking, scootering, biking or more! If you are moving your body to get to and from kura, come see Whaea Hannah for a little prize.

Aratitia Marae Visit

Over the last two days, our Teina classes have enjoyed an amazing visit back to Aratitia Marae and Kūkūtāruhe Gully. Our tamariki were so lucky to receive a warm welcome from a talented young group of performers comprising students from Fairfield College, with Matua Eddie Neha standing to offer a warm welcome. Our tamariki have then been privileged to hear the history behind the carvings in the marae led again by Matua Eddie. Following this, our tamariki participated in a series of workshops which included poi making, rākau skills, string games, and art inside the marae. Our final activity included a short hike back to Kura through the gully. Our tamariki enjoyed connecting with the natural world through tree, bird, and creature observations. We were even lucky enough to spot a few eels in their natural habitat. A huge thank you to our wonderful parent helpers who supported our tamariki over the two days. We couldn't have provided these experiences for our students without you. Finally, ngā mihi to our wonderful teaching staff for preparing and delivering such a fun, engaging few days of learning outside the classroom.



ICT with Whaea Zoe

Students in Teina team have been practicing their skills on the iPapa.

This student used the sketches app to draw a picture of their whānau and then import it into their Keynote.

Draw and label a picture of your whanau in sketches and add it below



You have read all about the 5 children who disappeared when Grandma was a girl. Match the correct explanation to the correct child.

Brigit
Svenson

She turned
into a large
white chicken

Solveg
Christiansen

She appeared
in the painting
of a
farmhouse.

Ranghild
Hansen

She went
away with the
tall lady in
white gloves.

Harald

He turned
into stone.

Leif

He turned
into a
porpoise.

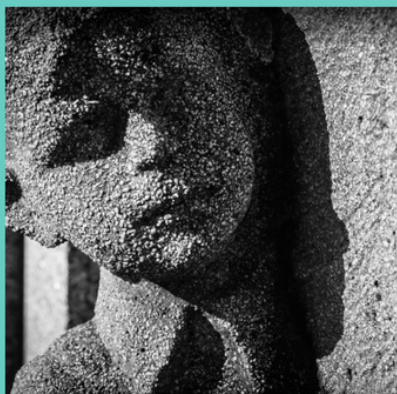


This class has been listening to the story 'The Witches' by Roald Dahl and completing activities around the text.

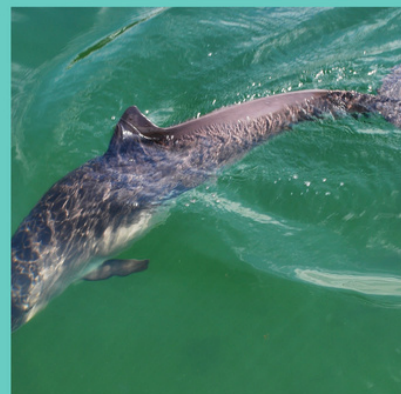
Here they had to match the correct explanations with the character's names.

Here they had to find some way to show what happened to the characters in the story.

Harald



Leif



Upcoming Events

- Fri 29 Mar - Tue 2 Apr - Easter Weekend/School closed
- Fri 12 Apr - Term 1 ends
- Mon 29 Apr - Term 2 begins
- Term 2, week 2 - School photos (more info to come)