

# NEWSLETTER

**“WHAIA TE ITI KAHRANGI”**  
*to be the best that I can be*

## HE KŌRERO TĀ MR PHILLIPS

### Board of Trustees Farewell

I want to acknowledge the contributions of our out-going BOT members whose time and effort has gone a long way to supporting where we are as a kura today. This Thursdays hui will be the last for **Charlotte Burt, Alisha Paynter, Shanai Kelsey, Deirdre Henderson and Justin Hawkes.**

Whilst nearly all of their work takes place behind the scenes, the impact of their contribution is widespread. The way we function as an organisation today is in part due to their ongoing commitment to providing all the necessary resourcing, evaluation feedback and forward thinking perspectives. They have all been brave governors of our school, ‘swinging for the fences’ if it might result in the best possible outcomes for all of our taura!

A special personal mention to both Deirdre and Justin who have been mainstays on our Board for over 6 years. As Board members these two have literally seen a whole generation of students pass through our school with me. Your optimism, no B.S questioning and challenging of me as a tumuaki, as well as your unrelenting drive to see us grow as a kura to ‘Be the best that we can be’ has been outstanding. Its been an absolute pleasure to work alongside you both!

### Nau mai, Haere Mai - 2022/2025 Elected Board of Trustee Members

*“Iti noa he pito mata” - From the weathered tree, a flower blooms.*

The loss of so much experience and knowledge from our Board of Trustees will most definitely be felt. This however creates an awesome opportunity to welcome new members with fresh perspectives and diverse skill sets. Congratulations to you all! I can’t wait to start working with you all in the near future:



Cowboy Dysart, Bridget Meares, Aasta Tippet, Kaylea Choat, Tui Akuhata-Green



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The one app to replace your current communication tools - newsletters, permission forms, calendar and event notices!

**NO MORE LAST MINUTE TRIP SURPRISES OR MISSING NOTICES!**

#### Google Classroom



# TURANGAWAEWAE

*our place to stand, our place in the world*

## Introducing Whaea Tash

Kia Ora

My name is Natasha Smith (Tash). I am a Year three student studying Teaching and have been enjoying the past three weeks with your beautiful tamariki. I am looking forward to the next seven weeks and getting to know you all. In the meantime I thought I would share some information about myself. I love spending time outdoors in nature, with my favorite activity being long bush walks. I am a mum to two children aged 11 and 15. One passion I have is providing opportunities for children to be proud of who they are and where they come from while they learn and share their kete of knowledge.



## Education outside of the classroom

Starting up our fortnightly hikoi, we have been out to Waihi Beach trig track to see the difference in vegetation since our last hikoi as there has been milling of the pine trees and native bush. Lots of korero, stair counting and a frog sighting later we made it to the top.

The Year three teina explored a misty Pukewa as they biked around the Martha Mine track for their fortnightly bike ride. Focusing on strengthening our tinana and overall hauora, kaiako were impressed with the determination and courage shown by tamariki on the steep hills.



## Module learning

As a part of our current Tangata Rongonui - Famous People module we have been researching and talking to Nicki Gordan, a past Waimata School student who is an amazing artist with a unique style of 'scribble art'. We had many questions for her about her art ideas and technique, how we could get better at visual arts and also her personal experience of being a student at Waimata School. She can be found at "Organised Mess" on facebook and instagram.

We gave our own scribble self portraits a go!



**TURANGAWAEWAE IN ACTION**

We have had a very busy term so far. Check us out!!



**Twinkle Twinkle Little Star (English and Maori versions)** 

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star  
*Tirama tirama nga whetu*

How I wonder what you are  
*Kei te pehea ra koutou*

Up above the World so high  
*Kei runga ake ra*

Like a diamond in the sky  
*He taimana to rite*

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star  
*Tirama tirama nga whetu*

How I wonder what you are  
*Kei te pehea ra koutou*

**Waiata**

We are currently learning the “Tirama Tirama” waiata and the teina in Tūrangawaewae performed to Te Mauri O Te Wai.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**AUGUST- AKUHATA**

11th - BOT Meeting

**SEPTEMBER - HEPETEMA**

6th-9th- Te Mauri o Te Wai - Snow Camp

15th - BOT Meeting

20th - Hockey Big Day Out

25th - Daylight Savings Time

30th - **Last Day of Term 3**



**SICKNESS**

With Covid still in the community, the super flu still doing the rounds and the overall general cold, we have

noticed an increase in students arriving at school with flu like symptoms, runny noses & coughs. This has resulted in students needing to return home.

This is a reminder **that if your child is sick, we ask that you please keep them at home.**

Lets help each other to remain as healthy as possible and to keep each other safe.

**Enrol Now!**



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Swim School  
Katikati  
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17 Oct - 18 Dec

**Term 4 Swimming Lessons**

9 Week program  
\$126 per child +pool entry

30 minute, weekly sessions  
Children aged 1 (must be walking) and up  
All abilities welcome

Visit our facebook page or the Dave Hume Pool website to enrol now





# TE MAURI O TE WAI

*the deep connection between water, the environment and us as people*

Welcome back to all our whānau. Tamariki have settled back into class routines well and are eagly getting stuck into their learning straight away.

## Hybrid Learning:

We continue to lead learning through our hybrid model. This is where students who are at home can keep up to date with the current learning that is happening at school. Therefore students have access to this anytime anywhere. All they need is their kura email address and password.

| Hybrid Learning for Te Mauri o te Wai |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| TERM 3                                |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| WEEK 1                                | WEEK 2           | WEEK 3           | WEEK 4           | WEEK 5           |
| Literacy                              | Literacy         | Literacy         | Literacy         | Literacy         |
| Maths                                 | Maths            | Maths            | Maths            | Maths            |
| Kaupapa                               | Kaupapa          | Kaupapa          | Kaupapa          | Kaupapa          |
| Extra Curricular                      | Extra Curricular | Extra Curricular | Extra Curricular | Extra Curricular |

## Kaupapa - Topic

We are looking at Tangata Rongonui - Famous People especially those within our families and how they contribute to our society/whānau. We are tying this in with Our Significant Places - places that are special to us.

We are focussing on our 'oral' language this term. The class is working on plays, podcasts and how to express their thoughts. We are also focussing on interviewing techniques and asking 'open ended' questions. Please do not be surprised if a member of your whānau is 'invited' to be interviewed.



## Friday Hikoi - Trips

This term our hikoi days will be every 2nd Friday. We will visit places significant to our kura and us as a class. Please make sure your child/ren bring their walking shoes, drink bottles and jackets with them on these days.

We recently visited the Smeaton farm where Whaea Kate grew up and now lives. She showed us places on the farm that are special to her and why. We enjoyed playing in such special places just as she did when she was younger. We look forward to making connections to other wāhi.

## Hākinakina - Sport

This term we have Year 3 & 4 Basketball being played every Thursday at the Waihi Event Center. We have entered one team into this competition and they are being coached by their tuakana Jayce and Rico under the guidance of Whaea Tui. They played their first game last week and all showed some really great skill out on the court. Well done team Grizzlies. The draw can be found on the Waihi Basketball Association Facebook page.



We have Year 5 & 6 Friday night Football happening this term as well. Games start at 3.40pm every week and often there are 2 games. We will endeavor to post the draw to our media sites when it comes out. They too played their first game last week coming away with draws in both games. Whaea Kate has worked hard with our team and tamariki are looking forward to the season ahead.

## NETBALL WRAP UP!

The 2022 Netball season has come to an end and what a fantastic season it was for our tamariki. We are proud of the give it a go attitude, commitment, dedication, determination, and resilience you all showed out there on the court every week.

A huge THANK YOU to our Coaches, Managers & Umpires Whaea LeShana, Whaea Bridget, Whaea Lisa, Whaea Kate, Whaea Tracey, Mr Phillips, Whaea Tui, Whaea Polly Whaea Kookie Whaea Char and Manaia who guided and supported our tamariki throughout the season. We truly appreciate the time and effort you gave up to help.

Congratulations to Whaea Lisa & our Year 4 Magicians Team who were awarded the '*Extreme Sportsmanship Award*' for 2022. This little team were placed in the Year 5&6 grade this year to help build their knowledge and skills of the game. Although they were challenged every week playing tamariki often twice their height, they all now have a better understanding of Netball and their skill level has grown. This will be the team to look out for in the future. Well done!

Congratulations also to our Waimata Stingers team who came away with a clean sweep this year. They are winners in the following categories: *Overall Pool B, Most Goals Scored, Least Goals Scored Against, Promotion Relegation round and Overall A Grade Championship Round.*

This team also started in the Year 5&6 grade when they were Year 4's as well. They too faced all the challenges that our Magicians went through this year, but they took their learning and came back stronger and skilful in 2021 and were *runners up* in their grade. This year they reaped the rewards of their past years efforts and took the clean sweep with them. We are super proud of you all for taking the lessons from 2020 and instilling them into your game play in 2022.

