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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Kia ora koutou

Welcome to Term 3 everyone!

A special warm welcome to two new members of our school community. Firstly to our New Entrant Hudson Scott who has had a wonderful first week in school. Also we welcome our new Teacher Aide, Laura Terure, who will be working with students in both classes who need extra support for two days a week over the next two terms. Laura's role is due to additional Literacy and Numeracy funding from Te Nehenehenui (Waihikurangi Trust). This funding is also covering staff professional development, and a range of literacy and numeracy resources for our learners. A huge thanks to the trust for supporting student learning.

In fact, we have a great term of learning ahead - check out the class blurbs in this newsletter on what is happening in each room. Teachers are looking forward to meeting up with parents next Thursday to discuss student learning successes and goals going forward. The first SMART assessment results for Reading and Mathematics have also now been provided to our school although the Writing assessment is still undergoing MoE moderation and amendment so results have not been provided for mid-year. SMART data for all three key learning areas should be available for the end of the year ready for widespread implementation in schools next year.

We are also looking forward to the school participating in four Pua Rito sessions with other local schools at the Les Munro Centre from Weeks 3-6. This is a great opportunity for our students to collaboratively learn kapa haka, waiata and stories from our local area shared by experienced and knowledgeable tutors.

Also a big thank you to Culswick Construction who spent the holidays working at the school building our new deck extension. This will be such a useful additional undercover area for the school for lunch eating, summer assemblies, as a breakout learning space for the seniors, and a place for doing activities that might be too messy for classrooms.

The BoT should shortly have a time line for the appointment of your new Principal for next year. We will let you know once this is available to be shared with the school community.

Pua Rito Sessions (organised by Te Nehenehenui Trust)

The whole school will be attending sessions to be held at Les Munro Centre from 10.00am-12.00pm on the following Tuesdays:

- Tuesday 4 August
- Tuesday 11 August
- Tuesday 18 August
- Tuesday 25 August

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This programme is designed for all participating local kura to come together as one collective, providing an opportunity to build relationships and strengthen a shared Maniapoto identity. It is specifically for our tamariki and rangatahi designed to strengthen cultural identity, confidence, performance capability, and connection through waiata, haka, kōrero tuku iho, tikanga, and mātauranga māori. There will be no age group splits, as the learning is intended to be shared collectively across all tauira. Each week will be led by different kapa haka tutors, bringing their own expertise and teaching style. The sessions have been intentionally planned to build on one another across the four weeks, so regular attendance is encouraged to ensure tamariki experience the full learning journey. Sustainability is a key objective of PUA RITO. The intention is to develop a model that can continue to grow through strong partnerships between kura, whānau, iwi, and education providers, creating lasting benefits for future generations. A transport notice will be sent out next week. Parents are welcome to attend the sessions.

Nga mihi nui
Heather Dallas
Principal
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JUNIOR CLASS NEWS

Thank you everyone for making the end of last term so wonderful, especially with our Matariki Festival and sleepover. We were so impressed with the amazing turnout and loved seeing everyone come together. Here are some pictures from the Junior Rooms' planet song production.



Juniors are starting this term off strong with persuasive writing to prepare us for speeches and oral language presentations later this term. In maths, we will be learning about telling time with Whaea Mikki, then fractions and decimals with Miss Byrne. Spelling will continue as usual following the iDeal structured literacy approach. In science, Juniors will be exploring Organism Diversity and learning more about the living world around us.

It is going to be a fantastic term!



SENIOR CLASS NEWS

Welcome to Term 3!

Our senior students have a term full of exciting learning ahead of them.



Reading

Our reading focus this term will be on four key strategies:

- Activating prior knowledge
- Predicting
- Questioning
- Self-monitoring and self-correcting

Students will practise these strategies throughout the term during group reading sessions and through our whole-class chapter book.



Writing

This term, students will be exploring persuasive writing in a variety of ways. Persuasion can be found in letters, advertisements, reviews, speeches, discussions, and arguments. Throughout the term, we will explore persuasion through several of these text types, while giving students opportunities to share and support their opinions on topical issues that are relevant to them.



Maths

Our maths focus this term will be on fractions, decimals, and percentages. The learning will differ across year levels and increase in complexity to meet the needs of each student.

Students will work through their textbooks with a partner before completing an independent task under test-like conditions at the end of each lesson. This will give them an opportunity to show their own understanding and help us identify any areas that may need further teaching or practice.



Homework

Homework will begin in Week 2 and will continue to come home every Wednesday. Each week, homework will focus on either reading, writing, or maths, depending on what students are learning in class.

Students will need to have their book bag at school so their homework can be sent home safely. If they do not have their book bag, they will need to wait until it has been returned before receiving their homework.



Parent-Teacher Interviews

We also have parent-teacher interviews in Week 2. It would be wonderful to catch up with you to discuss your child, their learning, and any questions or concerns you may have about classroom or school life.



Thanks so much for your ongoing support.
We are looking forward to an awesome term ahead!



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 3 - Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	20/7	21/7 RTLBB in Senior Room	22/7 S - Miss Mcphee J - Mikki	23/7 Duder farm visit	24/7 S - Mrs Dallas
Week 2	27/7	28/7	29/7 J - Mikki	30/7 Parent Teacher Interviews	31/7 S - Mrs Dallas
Week 3	3/8 S - Mrs Dallas	4/8 10-12 Pua Rito (Les Munro)	5/8 J - Mikki	6/8 North king country rugby training	7/8 S - Miss Price
Week 4	10/8	11/8 10-12 Pua Rito (Les Munro)	12/8 S - Miss Mcphee J - Mikki	13/8 North king country rugby training	14/8 S - Mrs Dallas
Week 5 	17/8 S - Miss Mcphee BoT Meeting 6pm	18/8 10-12 Pua Rito (Les Munro)	19/8 J - Mikki	20/8 Aria Primary Production	21/8 S - Mrs Dallas
Week 6	24/8	25/8 10-12 Pua Rito (Les Munro) North King Country Rippa Carnival - Yr 5/6	26/8 North King Country Rippa Carnival - Yr 7/8 J - Mikki	27/8	28/8 S - Mrs Dallas
Week 7	31/8	1/9	2/9 J - Mikki	3/9	4/9 Ski Trip
Week 8	7/9	8/9	9/9 Lines Company Visit	10/9 Hunting Competition opens	11/9 S - Mrs Dallas
Week 9	14/9	15/9	16/9 J - Mikki	17/9 Class Speeches	18/9 S - Mrs Dallas
Week 10	21/9 BoT Meeting 6pm	22/9	23/9 J - Mikki	24/9 Speech Finals	25/9 S - Mrs Dallas

DUDER FARM VISIT

Whole School Farm Visit – Thank You Sam & Diana

A huge thank you to Sam & Diana for welcoming our whole school onto their farm and giving our students such an unforgettable learning experience. From our youngest learners to our senior students, everyone was buzzing with excitement and curiosity throughout the morning.

We were able to feed calves, explore tractor use and silage, learn how technology supports farm management, and discover how collars help guide and monitor cattle. Students were fascinated by the care systems farmers use to keep cows healthy, happy, and supported when they're unwell. Watching the milking process up close was a highlight, and many students (and a few staff!) walked away with a deeper appreciation for the incredible work that happens every day on a farm.

We are so grateful to Sam & Diana for taking time out of their busy day to show us around their wonderful farm. Our whole school learned so much, and the experience will be remembered for a long time.



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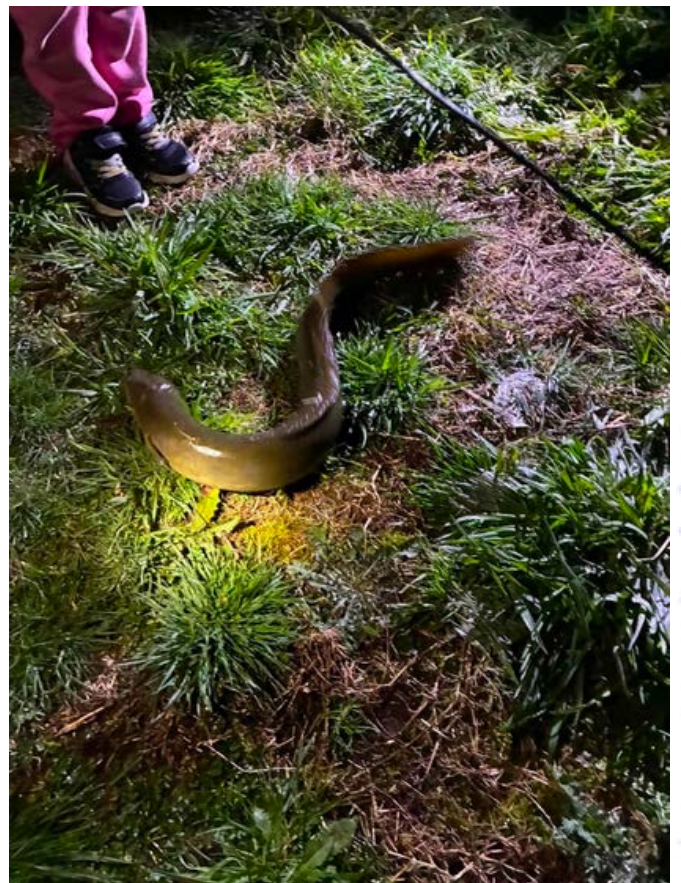
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For achieving 90% attendance and above.



MIDWINTER MATARIKI



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RANGITOTO SCHOOL

FATHERS DAY HUNTING COMPETITION



HUNTING OPEN
THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER



**SAUSAGE
SIZZLE
AND BAKING
FOR SALE**



WEIGH IN
SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER
10AM – 1PM
at Rangitoto School, Te Kuiti

**HEAPS OF ★
SPOT PRIZES!**



PRIZE GIVING
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HAVE FUN &
BE IN TO
WIN!**

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PIG**



**HEAVIEST
DEER**



**BIGGEST
GOAT
HEAD**



**HEAVIEST
HARE/
RABBIT**



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