

NEWSLETTER NO. 10 - 26th June 2024

Nau mai haere mai, Greetings | Tena Koutou | Konnichiwa | Groete | Namaste | Talofa Lava | Malo e Lelei | Ni sa bula | Fakalofa lahi atu | Kia Orana | Asalam Alykum | Ni Hao |

Once again, we have raced through another term of busy and rewarding school life. As we approach the July holidays, it is only fitting that we all pause to give thanks for all that has been achieved as a school community.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou (huge gratitude) to our staff and the dedication they show in working with each of our learners as they grow in their learning and personal development. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou (huge gratitude) to our tamariki who take on the opportunities and challenges of school life with a positive attitude. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou (huge gratitude) to our families/whānau who continue to support their child / children and school in the many activities and events that take place at school. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou (huge gratitude) to our board who lead and support our school through governance.



THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR NURTURING AND GROWING THIS SPECIAL SCHOOL COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SMILES, YOUR TIME AND ENERGY, YOUR LOVE FOR OUR SCHOOL, AND MOST OF ALL JUST FOR BEING YOU! 😊

North Rugby 5's Qualifying Tournament

A huge success for our tackle rugby team (Jake, Byron, Chad, Kingston, Teama and Sammy) on Wednesday 12th June - 4th place across the tournament. I thoroughly enjoyed being on the sideline for the quarter finals, semi finals and finals. Throughout these games, I witnessed our team displaying the Olympic value of excellence.

They had set a goal. They tried their best, and were there best. They showed perseverance, grit, and determination and they never gave up. Through training and practice (thank you Nick), they developed a strong mind and will . Our team should feel pride in their efforts. Their school is proud of their efforts.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koe Matua Nick - thank you for giving up your time to coach our team. You coached them for the 2023 tournament, and again for the 2024 tournament. Through your coaching, the team was well prepared. Through your coaching the team went into the tournament with a clear goal. Through your coaching the team had undeniably grown and achieved a result to be proud of.



A huge shout out to the team's manager, Sharlene, and to parents and whānau that supported the journey of the 2024 Tackle 5's Rugby Tournament.



Photos taken by: Kylie Morrissey, Photography

Thank you Kylie for capturing the event with photos that definitely told the story of our team's efforts. Thank you for preparing a video to share with others at our assembly.

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Whakamārama School PTA - Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou

Our PTA is run by an enthusiastic group of parents and has become an integral part of our school. Through some great initiatives, they are building a sense of community and connection within the families at our kura, our school. Through their fundraising, they are contributing to the purchase of items that are making a difference for our school.

The PTA gifted \$500 to each classroom budget for teachers to purchase games and construction equipment. The staff have enjoyed purchasing items to meet the needs of their learners and the needs of their classrooms. From the photos below, I can tell that our learners have enjoyed some extra additions to their classroom 😊



With a successful grant application from the PTA, the install of new drinking water fountains is now underway. Our outdoor environment will soon have 2 drinking fountains with bottle fillers and one drinking fountain with no water bottle filler. The installation of these outdoor fountains will not only benefit our learners but everyone that uses our facilities - whether this be for school events, or just for enjoying our school as the local green space that it provides to our community.

School Sustainability and Resilience Fund

We had a huge congratulations from the BOP Regional Council on being one of Toi Moana's School Sustainability and Resilience Fund successful applicants! Contract is signed, paper work is completed and we can now move forward with the development of a Uru Huarākau - Whakamārama School Orchard 😊 We look forward to your support when it comes time for planting!

Zero Waste: 17th - 19th June

Last week our learners were involved in the Zero Waste Education (ZWE) programme delivered by Vicki.

Different units each focussing on a specific solution to our waste problem were delivered across the school.



This Zero Waste programme enables our tamariki to investigate the link between the earth's natural resources, the products they use and see around them, and the resulting waste that pollutes our environment. Each year, the units build on the knowledge of 'being sustainable' - if we deplete the resources of the Earth, future generations will be depleted.

Matariki Rotation

Matariki is the Māori name for a cluster of stars which is visible in our night sky at a specific time of the year. Matariki is celebrated from late May to early July, with specific dates varying by tribe and region. This year Matariki falls on Friday, June 28. Matariki is a time to celebrate new life, to remember those who've

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passed and to plan for the future. And it's a time to spend with whānau and friends – to enjoy kai (food), waiata (song), tākaro (games) and haka.

To end the term, Friday 5th July hosts a rotation of Matariki activities. Our learners will move around 5 activities in Tuakana-Teina groups (older students and younger students). Each activity is for 30 minutes, with our first rotation starting at 9:30 am. **Mark your calendar and JOIN US!**



Pyjama Day - Join the Pyjama Day Fun on Friday 5th July

We are raising funds to support families with a child in hospital (Ronald McDonald House Charities). Support our learners by getting involved, wearing their pyjamas (Oodie, dressing gown) and donating a gold coin. Let's get silly Whakamārama and enjoy the comfiest day of the year while we undertake some learning about Matariki. We can't wait to see everyone in their comfiest attire.

Junior Tough Guy & Gal Challenge

For parents interested in an extra-curricular event, there are 3 possible Junior Tough Guy & Gal Challenge events coming up that you could choose to take part in this year. The decision to enter an event will be up to the parent. Arrangements for payment and transport will be up to any families that choose to attend.

Feedback from attendees at the Rotorua event last year was extremely positive; a course that far outweighs the Tauranga course.

Event information can be found here: <https://eventpromotions.co.nz/junior-tough-guy-and-gal-challenge/>

ICAS Assessment

A reminder that you have until the 15th July 2024 to consider whether you would like your child to participate in the 2024 ICAS competitions.

Yummy Apple Stickers

We have until September to collect. The more stickers we collect, the more FREE sports gear. Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores. There are more sticker sheets in the office if you need them.

Korean Fried Chicken Food Truck

Thursdays, Dylan will be parked up between Gull and Whakamārama Auto from 4.30pm - 7.30pm - mention Whakamārama School and your child's class number and our school will receive a donation of \$2 per portion of k-fried chicken and \$3 per portion of yum yum chicken - a very tasty way to raise funds for our school!

CONGRATULATIONS to students who received a class, sport or principal award at our whole school assembly on Friday 21st June. Mīharo! Awesome!



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ROOM 3 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES

Week 8 21st June	Louie	Super effort during writing this week - Some great spelling - He can sound out words. Fabulous!
	Lacey	Super duper effort with reading - yay! Lacey knows she can sound out a new word. Fabulous!
	Oscar	Great reading Oscar! Oscar thinks about what he is reading. He can sound out new words. Great work! Fabulous.
	Jack	Jack is making a super effort during writing - He is keen to sound words out and spell words correctly. Fabulous!

ROOM 2 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES

Week 8 21st June	Isla	For showing Manawa-roa in Maths by trying out new learning independently
	Eben	For listening carefully to instructions so you always know what to do - ka pai Eben!
	Zac	For showing Manawa-ū by actively engaging in discussions. You ask questions & share thoughtful ideas

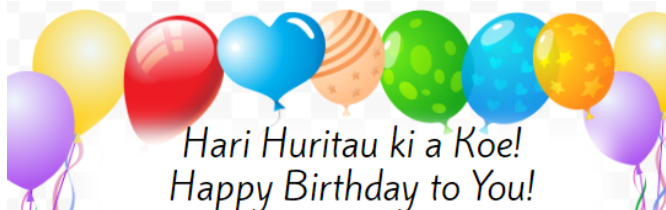
ROOM 4 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES

Week 8 21st June	Maxwell	For researching and writing an informative and detailed information report on the sand dunes. Mahi pai - great work, Maxwell!
	Sam	For writing an interesting, detailed and informative information report on the sand dunes. Ka rawe - great work, Sam!
	Max	For displaying Manawa-ū. You are curious, a problem solver and a thinker. You ask interesting and thoughtful questions about your learning. Tino pai rawa atu - excellent, Max!

ROOM 1 RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES

Week 8 21st June	Natarlya	Ka pai tō mahi -Actively engaging in STEM challenges during technology. Natarlya, you are a thinker. You are a problem solver.
	Jorja	Ka rawe - Valuing manawa-nui through respect; manawa-roa through positivity; manawa-ū through your hard work and manawa-tīnā through your contributions. Keep it up
	Harry	He Whetū koe - Actively involving yourself in our 'Keeping Ourselves Safe' lessons. You are a thinker. You are a problem solver.

These children all have a June (Piripi) birthday!!



7 Years George, Forrest
 8 Years Zachary
 9 Years Eva, Mia, Reon, William
 10 Years Lexi
 11 Years Johnathan

SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD

Please keep yourself up-to-date with the school newsboard that comes out fortnightly in the newsletter or on the the school website


Pipiri / June

Thursday 27th	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - Wear covered shoes
Friday 28th	Matariki Public Holiday - School Closed
Hōngongoi / July	
Thursday 4th	Technology - Years 7 & 8 - Wear covered shoes
Friday 5th	Pyjama Day
Friday 5th	Matariki Rotation of Activities - JOIN US!
Friday 5th	Last Day of Term 2
Monday 22nd	Term 3 starts
Monday 22nd	Dental Bus arrives at school

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app Skool Loop:

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 The home of whaka meats →

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HUME Katikati's Kiwifruit Company
 Celebrating 40 years with our community
Saturday 6th July
 8am-12pm
 Dress in Blue Spot prizes to be won
 Open to all ages
 First 200 registrations receive a goodie bag
5K & 10K FUN WALK & RUN
 Start and finish at War Memorial Hall, Katikati
REGISTER FOR FREE
WWW/HUMEPACK.CO.NZ/FUN-RUN

Whakamārama School PTA presents
Ethel & Bethel BINGO BABES!
 FRIDAY 5TH JULY 2025 7:30PM
 WHAKAMARAMA COMMUNITY CENTRE
 Games
 Live Auctions
 Prizes
 Fun and Laughter!
 Scan me to purchase tickets!
BARFOOT & THOMPSON

School Fundraiser
K-FRIED CHICKEN
 K-FRIED! \$17 YUM YUM! \$18
 NOMINATE YOUR SCHOOL FOR DONATED PROCEEDS
Thursdays in Term 2 4:30pm to 7:30pm
Location: NEXT TO WHAKA AUTOMOTIVE
 BUBBLE DRINK AVAILABLE
 Public View
 KOREAN FRIED CHICKEN

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS
 Notify Us Of Your Child's Absence Within Seconds On Our Skool Loop App

- Open the Skool Loop App & select Absentee
- Select a date range, if applicable
- Receive email receipt of your submission

Download The Skool Loop App. A simple 100% free download!
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Online Safety Parent Toolkit:
 Digital parenting in a rapidly changing world

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EDVENTURE

Two Great July Holiday Camps!

Week 1: Edventure Advanced Explorers \$635
@ Ngatuhua Lodge (10-13 yrs)

Week 2: Edventure Young Explorers \$650
@ Aongatete Lodge (8-12 yrs)

We have an amazing week lined up with bush walks, archery, air rifle, fire building and cooking, hut building, orienteering, team building, confidence activities, night activities and much more!

BOOK HERE

Hamilton & Tauranga Pick-up/Drop off options available

For more information:
Todd Burton
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0275349949

Click: Edventure Tauranga Facebook Page

**2024 OPEN DAY
KATIKATI COLLEGE**

YEAR 7 - 13
WEDNESDAY, 31 JULY

TOURS COMMENCING AT:
9am, 10am, 11:30am, 12:30pm, 4pm

Contact the School Office to book your tour
(07) 549 0434

If the above selected times do not work for you, please contact us to make a private booking.

COLLEGE BUSES RUN FROM WAHAI BEACH TO ŌMOKOROA AND ALL AREAS IN BETWEEN

20 MINUTES FROM ŌMOKOROA GETS YOU TO SCHOOL

Louise Buckley, Tumuaki | Principal
www.katikaticollege.school.nz

Growing connected learners who make positive contributions to our thriving community.

8 WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR ANXIOUS CHILD TO ATTEND SCHOOL

UNDERSTAND THE ANXIETY

1

Talk to Your Child: Understand their specific fears.

Identify Triggers: Common triggers include separation, academic pressure, social issues, or routine changes.

ESTABLISH A ROUTINE

Create a stable morning routine

Visual Schedule: Use a checklist to help them anticipate their day.

2

GRADUAL EXPOSURE

3

Step-by-Step: Start with short school visits and gradually increase time.

School Tour: Visit the school and meet teachers before the school year starts.

WORK WITH THE SCHOOL

Communicate with Teachers:

Regularly talk to teachers and school staff. **Individualised Plan:** Develop a support plan with the school.

4

POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT

5

Reward System: Reward attendance and participation.

Praise Efforts: Praise their efforts, not just successes.

PREPARE THE NIGHT BEFORE

Organise: Prepare clothes, lunch, and school bag the night before. They can do this!

Relaxing Bedtime Routine: Ensure a calming bedtime routine for good sleep.

6

TEACH COPING SKILLS

7

Breathing Exercises: Teach simple breathing techniques.

Problem-Solving Skills: Role-play scenarios to practice coping.

STAY CALM AND POSITIVE

Model Calmness: Stay calm and positive.

Positive Language: Emphasise the fun aspects of school, see what they can come up with.

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Tauranga Moana

WE'VE GOT IT ALL!

For more information and to register; please go to our website: tgahockey.co.nz

HOCKEY TAURANGA

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

HOLIDAY & DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Year 1 - 6

- Tue 9 July 9.00am - 12.00pm
- Wed 10 July 1.00pm - 4.00pm
- Mon 15 July 9.00am - 12.00pm
- Tue 16 July 1.00pm - 4.00pm

Year 7 - 8

- Tue 9 July 1.00pm - 4.00pm
- Wed 10 July 9.00am - 12.00pm
- Mon 15 July 1.00pm - 4.00pm
- Tue 16 July 9.00pm - 12.00pm

HOCKEY 5'S FESTIVAL

Year 7 - 8 and Year 9 - 10

- Thu 11 July 9.00am - 3.00pm
- Wed 17 July 9.00am - 3.00pm

Year 5 - 6

- Thu 18 July 9.00am - 3.00pm

\$50 per session; multi session discounts

IT'S ALL GO!

AQUINAS COLLEGE

2025 ENROLMENTS

OPEN DAY - 17 JUNE

Enrolments Open: 17 June - 26 July
www.aquinas.school.nz

SCHOOLS OUT!

Native Birds

School Holiday Activities July 2024

Be sure to pick up our July School Holiday Calendar and check out the awesome activities at your local library!

Western Bay of Plenty District Libraries

Phone: 0800 804 732
Email: western@westernlibraries.govt.nz
Website: www.westernlibraries.govt.nz

*Children under 18 years must be accompanied by an adult

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