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Term 1 Week 8 Newsletter: Wenerei 19 ō Māehe | Wednesday 19 March 2025

Tēnā koutou, Mālō 'e tau lava, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kamusta, Ayubowan, Salam.



Student Leaders 2025

Kia ora e te whānau, introducing to you, our Student Leaders for 2025! **Katana, Faith, Florence, L'oreal, Tyson, Sosaia and PJ** are all Year 8 leaders and learners. We are proud to have them represent our kura as ambassadors alongside the Leadership Team of myself, Mrs Sharma, Whaea Lee-Ann and Mrs Tafea.

Attendance Schoolwide Term One Weeks Five to Eight 2025:

Week Five Term One	Monday Rāhina 24 Feb 90% attendance	Tuesday Rātū 25 Feb 97% attendance	Wednesday Rāapa 26 Feb 96% attendance	Thursday Rāpare 27 Feb 94% attendance	Friday Rāmere 28 Feb 89% attendance
Week Six Term One	Monday Rāhina 3 Mar 90% attendance	Tuesday Rātū 4 Mar 96% attendance	Wednesday Rāapa 5 Mar 97% attendance	Thursday Rāpare 6 Mar 91% attendance	Friday Rāmere 7 Mar 92% attendance
Week Seven Term One	Monday Rāhina 10 Mar 92% attendance	Tuesday Rātū 11 Mar 94% attendance	Wednesday Rāapa 12 Mar 94% attendance	Thursday Rāpare 13 Mar 95% attendance	Friday Rāmere 14 Mar 94% attendance
Week Eight Term One	Monday Rāhina 17 Mar 89% attendance	Tuesday Rātū 18 March 96% attendance	Wednesday Rāapa 19 Mar 96% attendance	Thursday Rāpare 20 Mar	Friday Rāmere 21 Mar

As you can see, Tuesday, Wednesday and most Thursdays are EXCELLENT, however Monday and Friday attendance is starting to drop. We need your children to rest and recover on the weekend,



ready for five days of learning at school. A reminder that we have our Starship Community Nurse Natasha at school every Monday morning. She can follow up on medical concerns, please reach out to Sharon at the office who can make a referral on your behalf.

The Ministry of Education has commended our teachers and our community for their commitment to lifting regular attendance. Our collective efforts and successes are well deserving of their praise. Congratulations, e te whānau, for your outstanding commitment to regular attendance at Tāmaki Primary School! We will celebrate our attendance success this Friday with a school trip to the Auckland Zoo! A well deserved reward.

Tuhituhi - Writing

Te Puna Wairua has been writing words of appreciation for the people who are important to us. They have also been retelling purākau, or important traditional narratives. Kā nui ngā mihi ki ngā tauira, mo rātou tuhinga.



Tapanga: Eli.

Ngā mihi Eli mō tō aroha ki a ahau.

He tangata Maia koe, he tangata tiaki hoki.

Me he rākau kauri koe.

Ko koe te take kei ahau i te maha o ngā hoa

Ko koe te kingi i roto i te ao

Nā D'Angelo



Tapanga: Rona

I ngā rā o nehe i ora ai tētahi kōtiro, ko Rona tona ingoa. I a Rona he rūrū ko Āwhina tana ingoa. Ia wā ka haere ā Rona ki te tiki kākano mā Āwhina. I te wā ka whiti te rā ka kapo katoa ngā karu a Āwhina.

I tētahi rā i oho a Āwhina i te wā e whiti ana te rā, e ai ki ā Āwhina, “he hiakai ahau” nā i hikoi a Āwhina ki tētahi rākau waiporoporo, i te wā i kapo ōna karu, nā i āta kai ia i te rākau waiporoporo ahakoa he kino te rākau waiporoporo i kai ia.

I te pō i oho a Rona me tāna ohore kōre i kona a Āwhina noreira i kimi ia ki a Āwhina. I kite a Rona he ātarangi o tētahi rūrū noreira i hikoi a Rona ki te ātarangi, i kite ia i te rākau waiporoporo me i kite ia i a Āwhina e mate ana noreira i taka a Rona ki te papa me ōna roimata e taka ana noreira i kanga a Rona ki te marama. I riri te marama nā patu te marama ki a Rona, i rere a Rona ki te marama.

KO TĒNA TE PŪRAKAU WHĀKAMARAMA E PĀ ANA KIA RONA.



Sports

The Tāmaki Cluster Volleyball tournament is our next sports event, on **Wednesday 9 April 2025** at the Bruce Pulman Sports Centre in Takanini.

On **Thursday 10 April 2025** we will hold our trials for the following tournament, which is Football at Madills Farm for Years 3 & 4, 5 & 6 and 7 & 8 mixed teams. One of the criteria for selection for sports teams is regular attendance, that is, attending school more than 93% of the time. Your child also needs to be present on the day of the trials.

Whole School Visit to The Auckland Zoo

On Friday 21 March 2025, the whole school will be visiting The Auckland Zoo for a rich learning experience. Thank you to the parents who have returned a slip for their child. We have all permission slips returned from Room 1, Room 6, Room 8 and Penina o Tāmaki. Well done! We need to have all slips returned to school tomorrow please.

On the day of the trip, we will have our regular school fruit and lunches delivered to us at the zoo. If you would like to provide your child with additional healthy snacks, please pack them in a bag that your child can comfortably carry themselves. A schoolbag/backpack is ideal. Your child must have a sunhat and water bottle. Please prioritise this, as it is going to be a hot day on Friday, and a hat and water bottle will make the experience much more comfortable and enjoyable for your child.

If you have shared that you would like to accompany us on the trip, please pay \$19 at the office by Thursday, to secure your spot. A reminder that all school events are smoke and vape free. A further request please that parent helpers refrain from buying food and drinks from the zoo - the wait times are extremely long. Please bring food and drink with you, so you can stay with the class.

Upcoming events

House Colours Day: Next week, our Student Leaders will announce the changes they have made to Houses and House Colours for 2025. We will hold our first Houses Day event on Friday 28 March 2025. The Tug-o-War challenge is a fun celebration of friendly competition. More details will be shared by our student leaders next week.

School Board hui: Wednesday 2 April @ 8 am in the boardroom. School board meetings are open to the public. If you would like to join us at the next board meeting, please contact our Presiding Member Mr Kamaka Tarawa at k.tarawa@tamakiprimary.school.nz.

Staff Only Days: On Friday 11 April 2025 and Friday 30 May 2025 Tāmaki Primary School will be closed for Staff Only Days for professional learning and development for the refreshed mathematics curriculum.

Thank you all for your continued support for our kura, it is appreciated.

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