

Whāia te ara tika | Pursue the right path

Term 3 Week 5 Newsletter: Rāmere 15 o Here-turi-kōkā | Friday 15 August 2025

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



Filipino Languages Week

Malugod naming ipinagdiriwang ang Pambansang Linggo ng mga Wika ng Pilipinas – isang pagdiriwang ng yaman at kagandahan ng ating mga wika at kultura. Sa aming pagpupulong ngayong araw, ipinagdiwang namin ang kayamanan ng mga wikang Filipino at kultura. Magiliw na pinamunuan ni Czairen, isang mag-aaral sa Year 6, aming pinarangalan ang mga wika at kultura ng aming komunidad na Pilipino.

This week, we celebrated the National Week of the Languages of the Philippines – a celebration of the richness and beauty of Filipino languages and culture. At our assembly today, wonderfully led by Year 6 learner Czairen, we honoured the languages and culture of our Filipino community.

School Board Elections 2025

If you are on the voting roll and eligible to vote, you will have received an online voting form for the upcoming School Board elections through your email.

Please make sure you vote as soon as possible. Your vote counts!

If you have not received voting forms, please see Kathleen Horn at the school office between 8:00 am and 3:30 pm. Alternatively, contact the SCHOOLED election team on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or email election@electionpilot.nz.



Attendance Update

Our school's attendance target is more than 94% every day. Over the past few weeks, our average has been well below this. While we had some strong days — including Wednesday 6 August with 95% attendance and several days in the 90–93% range — many days fell into the low to mid 80s, with some dropping below 80%.

Rāhina	Rātū	Rāapa	Rāpare	Rāmere
Monday 14 July	Tuesday 15 July	Wednesday 16 July	Thursday 17 July	Friday 18 July
86% attendance	89% attendance	93% attendance	83% attendance	88% attendance
Monday 21 July	Tuesday 22 July	Wednesday 23 July	Thursday 24 July	Friday 25 July
85% attendance	88% attendance	89% attendance	85% attendance	78% attendance
Monday 28 July	Tuesday 29 July	Wednesday 30 July	Thursday 31 July	Friday 1 August
79% attendance	80% attendance	91% attendance	88% attendance	86% attendance
Monday 4 August	Tuesday 5 August	Wednesday 6 August	Thursday 7 August	Friday 8 August
88% attendance	84% attendance	95% attendance	93% attendance	84% attendance
Monday 11 August	Tuesday 12 August	Wednesday 13 August	Thursday 14 August	Friday 15 August
84% attendance	90% attendance	90% attendance	92% attendance	75% attendance



Celebrations

- Reaching and exceeding our 94% target on 6 August.
- Consistently high attendance on several Wednesdays and Thursdays.

 Strong attendance from families who make school a non-negotiable part of every day.

Next steps

- Aim for every child in school, every day unless they are genuinely unwell.
- Plan appointments and family commitments outside of school hours where possible.
- Contact the school if your child is having difficulties coming to school so we can help.

Why it matters

When students attend school regularly, they are more settled, achieve better results, and feel more connected socially. Missing even one or two days a fortnight quickly adds up to weeks of lost learning time. Every day counts. Let's work together to see our attendance consistently above 94%, giving our tamariki the very best chance to learn and thrive.

Paid Union Meeting

Tāmaki Primary School has many staff who are members of Te Riu Roa, the union for education staff. On Wednesday 20 August, we ask that you collect your children from school at 12:30 pm, so that our staff can attend an important union meeting. We will have a small amount of staff on site for those who need supervision for their children. Please email swilliamson@tamakiprimary.school.nz so that we can ensure sufficient supervision. Otherwise, please make arrangements for the early finish this coming Wednesday. We thank you for your support.

Upcoming events *

Kelly Sports Netball: Every Monday until the end of Week Seven. Year 4-8 students. Auckland Basketball: Every Friday until the end of the term. Year 4-8 students. Language Weeks Term Three:

- Tongan Language Week 2025: 18-22 August
- Te Wiki o Te reo Māori 2025: 15-19 September

School Board hui: Wednesday 17 September, Wednesday 5 November and Wednesday 10 December 2025 @ 8 am in the boardroom. School board meetings are open to the public. If you would like to join us at any of these board meetings, please contact our Presiding Member Mr Kamaka Tarawa at k.tarawa@tamakiprimary.school.nz.

New Enrolments: Do you know anyone that is going to start school between now and the end of the year? Or anyone who is interested in Rumaki Reo, Tongan Bilingual or Samoan Bilingual education for their children? Please send them to the office to pre-enrol. All are welcome.

Thank you all for your continued support for our brave, confident and dynamic learners, it is appreciated.

Carol Leota Tumuaki | Principal



