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# Principal Report

Term 1 2025  
Week 8

This week our teachers have focussed on testing and analysing data this aids us in assessing strengths and gaps to accelerate their progress. We had our Parent Evening to update families on the new curriculum and how we are implementing this. We looked at planning, assessment and how you can help at home.

Our Working Bee on Sunday was a success, the team powered through the work. Thanks to Mark, Daniel, Halie, Rob, Uncle, and Sammy for installing the wooden surround for our playground. Bianca, Esther, Rebecca and Monique for painting the fence. Gerben who cleaned all of the gutters and drains. Jacinda who is the master on the water blaster!! A well as these jobs they also transplanted some trees, cleaned up the garden area and had a yummy lunch.



**Attendance - Our 2025 Target is: To improve attendance and engagement to 75% of students attending 90% or higher.**

This weeks attendance data:

- Rakau 90% attendance
- Mahuri 96% attendance
- Tupu 89% attendance

We had 16% of our students with 100% attendance. Well done to those students and whanau. Unfortunately our 90% attendance rate has dropped to 67% - our target is 75%. We can do this!

Congratulations to our competitors who did our school proud at the Reporoa Cluster Swimming competition last Friday! Check out their results below:

- Monique - 8 year old girls 25m: **2nd Backstroke, 1st Breaststroke, 1st Freestyle**
- Flynn - 8 year old boys 25m: **2nd Backstroke**
- Johannah - 9 year old girls 25m: **1st Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke**
- Taituha - 9 year old boys 25m: **1st Breaststroke, Backstroke and Freestyle**
- Jonty - 10 year old boys 25m: **1st Freestyle, 2nd Backstroke and Breaststroke**
- Ryan - 10 year old boys 25m: **3rd Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke**
- Flynn - 8 year old boys 25m: **2nd Backstroke**



**MAHURI!**

**NEXT WEEK**

Good luck to **Johannah, Monique, Taituha and Jonty** who will be representing us next Wednesday 2nd April at the CBOP swimming competition @ Rotorua Aquatic Centre.

On Tuesday 1st April, we will be taking our whole school to walk up the hill across the road. We would love for whanau members to join us, there are some amazing views from the top! We will be leaving school at 11.30am. Please ensure children have covered walking shoes, sunscreen applied, and a drink bottle.

Our Board meeting this week has been postponed to Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 7pm in the staffroom. If you are considering becoming a board member, these meetings are a great opportunity to see what the board does. Everyone is welcome, however please note that only board members have speaking rights.

Say cheese!! Photolife will be coming to school Monday 7th April to take our photos. If you would like sibling photos please complete the link below by the 1st April, or contact the office. [Sibling photo request form](#) All students will have individual photos and links will be emailed directly to caregivers from Photolife once photos are ready for publishing.



Next Thursday 2nd April, we have the lovely ladies, Keren & Andrea, from Empowered Learning Trust coming to screen for Irlens. The trust coordinates Irlen and Vision Screening to identify students who may be struggling with visual difficulty. Good vision is vital to students being able to access learning. 70% of young people with a learning difficulty will have visual issues of some kind. Sometimes it is unclear whether a child has an issue or not, so we screen all students in year 4, plus any new students in above year groups.

The project involves screening students for Irlen Syndrome and other visual issues, and then referring on those who need it to the optometrist and Irlen Diagnosticians.

Thank you to Empowered Learning for providing this free service for our students.

*Kei te whakatakataka a matou akounga mo nga ahei a tona wa  
Preparing our students for the possibilities of tomorrow*

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## Office Hours

- Monday: 9.00am - 3.00pm
- Tuesday: 9.00am - 3.00pm
- Thursday: 9.00am - 12.30pm
- Friday: 9.00am - 3.00pm

## Important dates

### April

- Tue 1 Hill walk
- Wed 2 CBOP Swimming  
Board Meeting 7pm
- Thu 3 Irlens Screening
- Mon 7 Photolife
- Wed 9 Cluster Summer Sports
- Fri 11 Term 1 Ends
- Mon 28 Term 2 Starts
- Wed 30 PTA Meeting 7pm

### May

- 2 - 7 Life Education
- Wed 7 Board Meeting 7pm
- Fri 23 LRS Cross Country
- Tue 27 Cluster Cross Country

## Parent help required

- Cluster Summer Sports
- Cross Country & Cluster

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Kia ora koutou,

Now that swimming is over, we have started jumping and skipping for fitness and coordination. At first, we found skipping to be very challenging, but we are learning to keep trying, and in just a few days our skills have improved. We have learned how to skip along a line (step, hop, step, hop) and to skip with a rope (jumping with our feet together). We can also do a variety of jumps over a long rope. We have some very energetic jumpers in Tupu class!

Kia pai tō rā.

## TUPU

# CLASS Snippets

## MAHURI

Kia ora,

Mahuri has been working away diligently in our new PR1ME practice books. This week we have covered how to identify, read, and write whole numbers up to at least 100, and represent them using base 10 structure for our Year 2 students. Year 3 students have been working up to at least 1000 and 10,000 for Year 4 students. We are soaring ahead with our newfound knowledge and skills!

Whaea Kylie

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa,

## RAKAU

Rakau have really been putting their best foot forward this week showing the progress we have made, and understandings we have clarified over the past 8 weeks. As a reward for their amazing brain power and efforts this week, I have given students the week off homework. Please be assured this WILL resume next week.

Students have really been enjoying math this week looking at fractions and practicing our knowledge of the four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Please encourage students to read each night, this really helps to grow their knowledge of vocabulary, along with many other things.

Have a safe and happy weekend.

Ngā mihi,  
Miss Gow

## CONGRATULATIONS



### LAST WEEKS CERTIFICATES WENT TO:

Kalani for being an excellent class leader during our trip to Waimangu. Kaylaarnie for making excellent progress in phonics (knowing the letter sounds and names.) Caoimhe for her brilliant 'Mount Tarawera' piece of art completed. Quinton for putting so much effort into his handwriting this term. Eva-Rose for consistent effort and participation in all class learning. Chase for consistent effort and participation in all class learning.

**KAPAI**  
*Keep it up!*

## Principals award

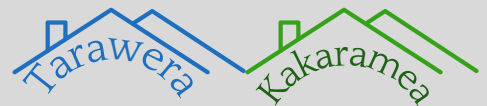


Lachlan for respecting self and others



A massive THANKS to Graham Blank and the team from Fonterra for our amazing cooked breakfast this morning. Bacon, eggs and sausages with bread and Calci yum and juice - YUM! We were their very first school to receive this new initiative, and it was definitely well received by our tamariki!

# HOUSE POINTS



Each week we give out a house cup to the house that's in the lead. Students can earn house points by following our school rules, values, being on task and even when they get caught being awesome.

House Captains are;

Tarawera - Chase & Jonty

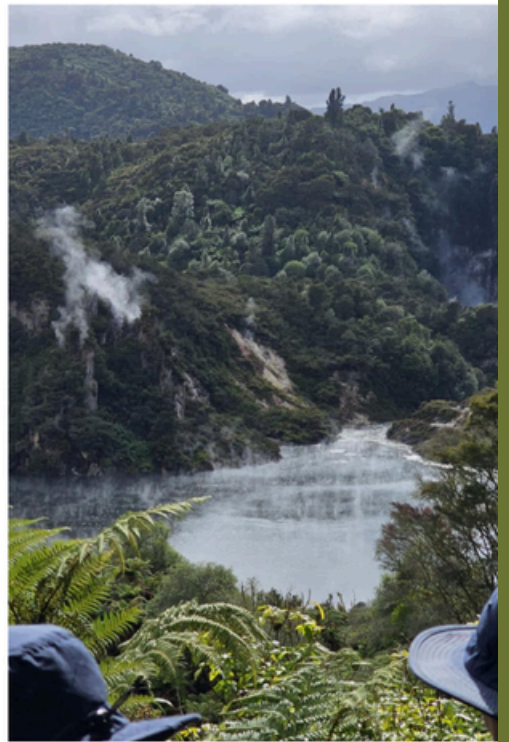
Kakaramea - Ryan & Taituha

Congratulations to our house winner for last week...





2025 TRIP



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## Waist Management

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Tēnā koutou katoa, nau mai haere mai.  
Year 3 🌟 at the hall from 6.30-7.15 pm tues  
& thurs until the end of November 2025 🌟

\$ 10 each

Towel and water bottle

... will be posted on

... me at

... page

Stay well. Warm res  
Christine

There'll be no classes from  
8th April-19th May.



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30th March 2025

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- 2.5km Suitable for Littlies or Beginners  
(2 or 4 Laps will finish after 45 minutes)
- 7km, 14km, 21km or 42kms (Approximately)
- E-Bike Classes Available in 21 and 42kms

Plenty of Awesome Spot Prizes

Sausage Sizzle and Drinks for Sale

No Eftpos Available Please Bring Cash

For more information and course maps go to:

[temiromtclub.co.nz](http://temiromtclub.co.nz)

Any queries email: [temiromtbevents@gmail.com](mailto:temiromtbevents@gmail.com)

Registration now open, enter on the following link:

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