

TE KURA O Ngongotaha KIDZONE

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Craig's Korero

How nice is it to have a long weekend break with such beautiful weather. Despite this being a very short week, it is still extremely busy. Yesterday, we welcomed our two Rumaki Evaluation Partners from the Education Review Office. They will spend some time working with us to review Te Whanau Maunga. I was so thankful and impressed with the whanau who came along and shared their experiences of Te Whanau Maunga. Thank you.

Our school recently took part in the Rotorua Pacifica Festival held at the Lakefront. Dozens of our students had practiced hard leading up to the event and took to the stage performing their songs and dances with pride. They dedicated their performance to Vesty Symes which I thought was a lovely gesture.

Tomorrow, the little ones in Te Whanau Mahuri (rooms 14,15,16,17) will be holding a Cake Stall. Thank you to the parents and teachers who have been baking all week for this one. If you would like your child to buy some of the yummy baking, they are welcome to do so at morning tea time tomorrow. All cakes are \$1 or \$2.

This term's focus was on water, next term the focus will turn to fire! Please don't panic! The learning will include trips to the Buried village and Wai-o-Tapu thermal wonderland, lessons around fire safety, volcanoes and lightning. We will also hold a Market Day where children will create things to sell and some of the money raised will be donated to the Ngongotaha Volunteer Fire Brigade. This learning will also include aspects of financial literacy. And, who could forget, our senior school camp to Totara Springs on the 6th of May.

We have some exciting projects happening over the break. One being the replacement of all exterior carpet around our school. Some of the current exterior carpet is looking tired and some has even become a bit of a tripping hazard so it's time to go.

This will be the last Kidzone of the term. Please be aware, Term 1 finishes next Friday 12th of April and school will be open on the 29th of April for term 2. If I don't see you between now and then, please have a wonderful holiday break with your whanau, travel safely and I look forward to seeing you all return next term.



*"Iti rearea teitei Kahikatea ka taea
Aim high, Stand proud"*





Room 14 & 15

Floating Boats



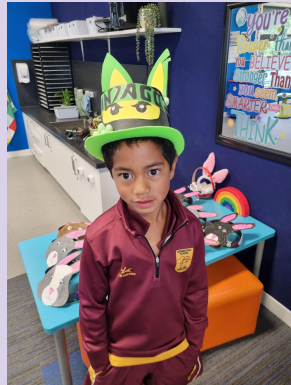
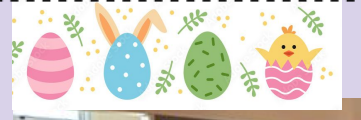
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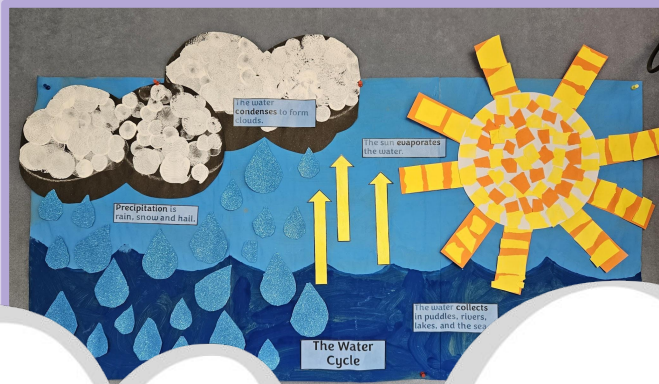
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Room 16 - Easter Fun!



Room 17 - Wonderful Water!



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Author of the Week



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What's Happening? Term 1

5th April Cake stall

4th April Cricket for rooms 1,2,3,4,9c

8th April Te Whānau Wai's Trip to Tangatarua Marae

9th April Te Whānau Manu and 9c's Trip to Tangatarua Marae

9th April BOT meeting 6pm

9th April Te Whānau Ngahere Waterways trip

11th April Te Whānau Māhuri's Trip to the river

12th April Last Day of School

Term 2

29th April School starts back

3rd May Mini Marathon

6-8th of May Senior School Camp (all year 5 and 6 children) Totara Springs

9th May Ballot for out of zone enrolments

3rd June King's Birthday

4th June BOT meeting

Brainy Awards Te Whanau Mahuri

Te Whanau Ngahere

Te Whanau Wai

Te Whanau Manu

Te Whanau Maunga

The best part about being in Te Whānau Māhuri

FUN FRIDAY



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