



A GREAT School for You!

Ngongotaha School KIDZONE

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Welcome back, everyone and a special welcome to all of the new enrolments who have started with us this term. We have had 9 new enrolments so far, and had a few move away, leaving us with exactly 400 tamariki. We have several more new entrant children on the way soon which I always look forward to. We have a teaching position beginning in term 4, working in the junior school due to roll growth. If you know a NZ registered teacher who would like to join our team, get them to give me a call sometime or check out the [advert](#) on the education Gazette.

Samples of our new uniform have arrived. We are still fine tuning a few things so they are not quite ready to show you yet. I don't think the jersey they have sent is warm enough so I have sent that back and asked for it to be thicker and I have changed the style of track pants slightly too. I will let you all know when things have been finalised and when they will go on sale. To allow a quick faze out of the old uniform, every year 0-5 student enrolled at our school will be given a 'basic set' (shorts or skort, polo and jersey) in term 4. This will mean everyone can start 2024 in the new uniform.

You may have noticed a few building projects that were completed over the break. The pergola outside Room 9 has been completed and will provide more space for the students of Te Whanau Maunga to work, regardless of weather. We have also added in a few pieces of musical playground equipment into our junior school for our little ones to use.

Vaping at schools throughout Rotorua has become a real problem. Fortunately, we are not seeing it as much here at Ngongotaha School. However, the Intermediates and some other primary schools are having daily issues. Thankfully, we have not had to deal with this too much so far. However, if you have vaping products at home, please remind your children not to bring these to school for obvious reasons.

Keep an eye on the app for up to date information as we have lots of exciting trips and learning activities happening throughout this term.

— Craig McFadyen —

“Iti rearea teitei Kahikatea ka taea” “Aim High, Stand Proud”

Update from the Education Review Office

Te Ara Huarau is the evaluation approach that the Education Review Office (ERO) is using in our school. This a developmental approach to evaluation where ERO and our school work together over time rather than one off reviews that happened previously. Te Ara Huarau is used in most English-medium state and state-integrated schools. ERO maintains a regular review programme to evaluate and report on the education and care of young people in the schools. Our school worked alongside ERO to write our Profile Report. This type of report will only happen once as part of our initial engagement with Te Ara Huarau. The profile report reflects our strategic goals and a shared evaluation focus one or more areas that are important to us as we work together to improve outcomes for all our learners. ERO, like us, have a strong focus on equity and excellence. Future reporting will show our progress and achievement towards meeting the goals we have set. Public reports like the Profile Report are published on [ERO's website](#). A Board Assurance Report that shows how we are meeting regulatory and legislative Requirements has also been published.

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ROOM 13

Winter is cold
 I jump in 'icy' puddles
 New calves
 The fire is hot
 Eating hot dogs
 Raining

Nash

We love hockey
 I like hot chocolates
 Nice warm house
 Twinkling stars
 Everyone has fun
 Raining on the frosty grass

Ngaio

Winter is freezing
 Ice skating
 Night comes early
 Time to put your summer clothes away
 Eating soup
 Raining on my window



Fabulous 15

We've been learning some facts about sharks, did you know:
 There are 440 different kinds of sharks!
 Some sharks can have up to 20000 teeth in their lifetime!
 The whale shark is the largest shark.



The Crazy Kids of Room 16



Holiday writing and fun with farm animals.



... Spectacular 17 ...



EYE SPY SOME AMAZING ANIMALS:
 2 tigers, 2 antelopes, 3 pet cats and 2 grumpy rhinos!





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What's Happening?

Please note, dates are subject to change. Keep an eye on the app for up to date information.

- 28th July rm 11,12,13 to Hamilton Zoo
 - 4 August rm 5,6,7,8 to Hamilton Zoo
 - 7 August Rm 11 Trout Hatchery visit
 - 8 August Rm 13 Trout Hatchery visit
 - 9 August Rm 12 Trout Hatchery visit
 - 8 August Year 6 to Kaharoa
 - 15 August BOT meeting
 - 17 August Rugby 7s Tournament
 - 24 August Tough Guy and Gal
 - 24 August Disco
 - 24 August CAKE night- Dyslexia
 - 25 August Daffodil Day
 - 29 August 11 and 13 to Museum/Library
 - 30 August Year 6 to Rotorua Intermediate
 - 31 August Rm 12 to Museum/Library
 - 31 August Speech Finals
 - 1 September Year 6 to Kaitao
 - 4 September Rm 11 and 12 to Museum/Library (trip 2)
 - 5 September Rm 13 to Museum/Library (trip 2)
 - 8 September WALKATHON
 - Week of 11 September Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori
- GREAT Start dates:**
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 of August



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Free weather lambs
FREE 3 Day old weather lambs. They have had colostrum from mum, navel dipped and have had scabby mouth vaccine. Pick up on Farm, 5min from Arapuni village. We have hundreds coming in from now until end of August. Any numbers from 1-50 lamb pick up welcomed. Contact Emma 0274693743 or Scott 0273426375.