



A GREAT School for You!

Ngongotaha School

KIDZONE

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"It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas!" Don't worry, I won't traumatize you with my singing voice but we are fast approaching that time of year!! The past two weeks have been full of fun learning opportunities. Our athletics days were GREAT and it was lovely to see the sun and so many of our school whanau come and join us. Our Mega Slide is nearly complete, we are adding an extra section to the middle and to the end to make it even longer. Whaea Mackenzie and I have also recently visited The Orchard, Ngongotaha Early Learning Centre and Ngongotaha Kindergarten and had the chance to meet our future pupils. Our junior school have had visits to the Ngongotaha Fire Station and the entire school have visited Tarimano Marae. Not bad to fit all of that in two weeks. But, the big event happening at the moment is the preparation for the Ahurei Kapa Haka Festival. Our children, kaiako, and tutors have been working so hard in readiness for this event and I am sure they are going to do us proud next Thursday when they take the stage.

2024 will be here before we know it so I have added some information about next year below. If you can think of anything else you would like to know, give me a call and I can clear things up pretty easily.

2024 Information

As the end of the year draws near, we have already started thinking about 2024. Prizegiving and the final day of school for students for this year will be on Thursday 14th of December 2023. Fingers crossed we will be able to celebrate together outside this year. The first day for 2024 will be Tuesday 30th of January (the day after Auckland Anniversary).

As you are aware, we have a new uniform from 2024 onwards. We are planning on sending home the 'basic set' sometime in early December (as soon as it arrives). The office will be able to sell additional items in the final week of 2023 and will be open for whanau to buy uniform and stationery for several days leading up to the first day of 2024. Obviously, I want to see as many children as possible in the new uniform from the first day of 2024 but I totally understand if children need to wear the old uniform from time to time. However, if you would like to get rid of the old uniform, we have a package that we are sending to a school in Fiji. This will reduce the amount going into the landfill while also helping others in need.

Class lists for 2024 classes will be posted next Friday. These get displayed on the school noticeboard and on the school app. A lot of time and thought goes into these lists. We think about academic strengths, interests, personalities between students and teachers, friendships, and much much more. If you have a genuine reason to move classes (not just "my child doesn't like that class") please come and see me. I may not make the change, but I will always listen.

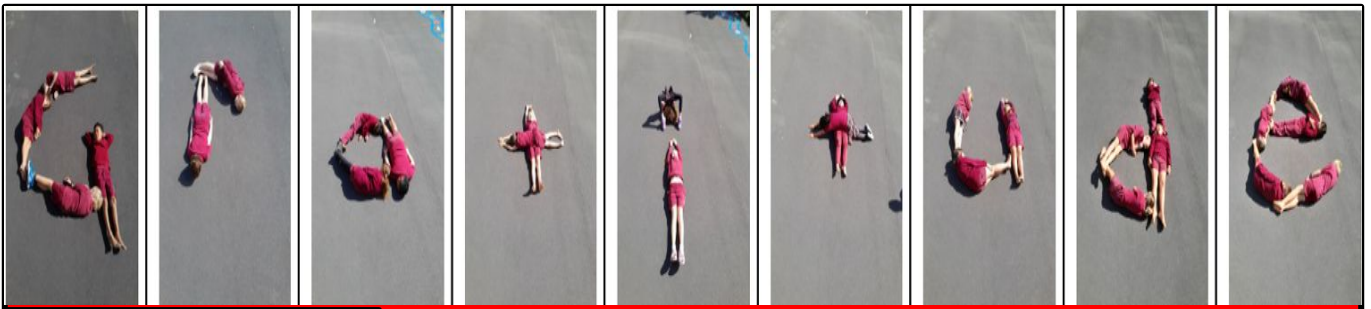
We are moving to a different Lunch supplier in 2024. There are many things to like about Libelle but I believe we need to make a significant change if we are to reduce the wastage and number of uneaten lunches. Ka Pai Kai will be the new provider. They operate here in Ngongotaha and employ many of our community members to prepare and deliver the food each day.

Craig McFadyen

"Iti rearea teitei Kahikatea ka taea" "Aim High, Stand Proud"

Have you got the school app? It's the way we spread the majority of our information. Download it free from app stores.





Room 5s Gratitude tree, the branches are being covered with all the things we are grateful for.



What are you grateful for?

I am grateful for my sisters.
My sisters are so kind.
They play with my dog and me.
My sisters are so nice.
I love my sisters.

Malakhi

I am grateful for my family because, they support me at events and pay for my sports.
They spend time with me.
They celebrate holidays with me. I love my family

Holly

I am grateful for burgers. Burgers are juicy. The patties are the best part because they are the most juiciest. The Cheese has the juice. The lettuce is the healthiest part. Tomato sauce is great on patties. The bun is good with all sorts of things.
Jackson

Room 6's Thrillerween Assembly



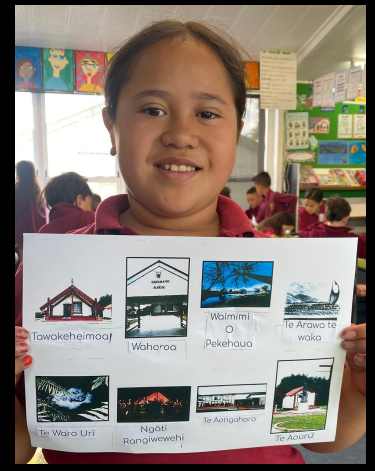


ROOM 7 TESSELLATION ART



Ko Tiheiā te maunga
 Ko Waimimi o Pekehaia te awa
 Ko Te iri awa te waka te waka
 Ko Ngāi Rangiwewehi te iwi
 Ko Tawakehe moa te whare ikawa
 Ko Te Aongahoro te pitaka o te iwi
 Ko Te aoura te whare pūni te whare pūni
 Ko Te Awahou te papa kāinga te papa kāinga
 Ko Tariniana te marae te marae

LEARNING THE TARIMANO PEPEHA



Forensic scientists in training.
Did Room 8 children solve the crime?
Absolutely!
They used their powers of observation to find out
“Whodunnit”.



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What's Happening?

- 23rd Nov- Ahurei Kapahaka festival
- 24th Nov- Whanau Wai Talent Show
- 29th Nov- Whanau Maunga trip
- 1st Dec- Hopefully all the uniform items will have arrived. Fingers crossed!
- 5th Dec- CBOP Athletics
- 5th Dec- BOT meeting
- 6th Dec- Helpers Morning tea
- 12th Dec- Year 6 Dinner
- 14th Dec- Prizegiving and last day for students
- 30th January- first day back for 2024

Brainy Awards

These certificates are handed out for achievement in academic areas such as maths, reading and writing.

Te Whanau Ngahere:

Te Whanau Wai: James Moore & Alice Burton.

Te Whanau Manu:

Te Whanau Maunga: Harper Brake, India-Rose Wildermott, Charlotte Tiopira, Ngahau Singh-Lagah

GREAT G-Growth R-Respect E-Equality A-Achievement T-Trust