



A GREAT School for You!

Ngongotaha School

KIDZONE

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I want to start by acknowledging our phenomenal Kapa Haka Roopu who took the stage at the Ahurei festival last Thursday night. Absolutely sensational. Their voices, the way they were dressed, the way they moved on stage, the energy they gave it truly was a sight to behold. Thank you to everyone who made that happen. To Ana, Jamie and Rereahu for their vision and effort, Preston for his guitar skills, Mackenzie for her work behind the scenes, the team in whanau Maunga for their support, Mrs Whyte for her sewing, parents and whanau for supporting the whole process and of course to the most tamariki who took the stage to represent us. Thank you very, very much.

Following on from that, Te Whanau Wai recently held their "Wai's got Talent" show. I am blown away with the talent and confidence our children have. To see 7 and 8 year old children dancing and singing on stage still blows my mind. Well done to everyone who got on stage and showed off their talent. Again, a huge thank you must go to the people who made it happen- Whaea Carolyn and the Whanau Wai team for their work putting it together and to everyone who showed up for support our children, Thank you!

Our Te Whanau Maunga Leadership Tour has begun. 14 senior students and the Kaiako from Room 9 are travelling right up to Cape Reinga to follow the trail of two prominent tupuna of our rohe- Kahumatamomoe and Ihenga. We wish them well on their way and look forward to their safe return on Sunday.

Uniform update. I have been assured that they are currently in transit to us and we expect them to be here by Monday (except the skorts as we have asked for the stitching to be stronger so they have taken a little longer). As soon as the skorts have arrived, Julie and Sophie Brake will organise them and get the basic sets (shorts or skorts, jersey and polo) sent home with children. If you find that any items of the basic set are too small or too big, please return them with tags on and in their bag and we will be happy to swap them for a more comfortable size. You will be able to purchase any additional items from the office after the basic sets have been sent home. Jerseys-\$45, polos- \$24, track pants- \$52, skorts- \$55, shorts- \$35. Please remember, your child is still welcome to wear the 2023 uniform in 2024 if they wish. Those of you who would like to donate the 2023 uniform to the school in Fiji, can drop it off to the office any time from now.

Tomorrow night we celebrate Whaea Chrissy's Graduation as she moves from provisionally registered teacher to fully registered (kind of like a tradie completing an apprenticeship). Congratulations Chrissy! We are all really proud of you and love having you as a part of our school family.

Our Prizegiving and Graduation will be on Thursday 14th of December at 9.15am. I would love to have our entire community come and celebrate with us on the grass area outside rooms 1-4. Fingers crossed for fine weather, otherwise we will be back over in the Community Hall.

As this will be the last Kidzone of 2024, I want to acknowledge the Ngongotaha community and thank them for their continued support. I feel privileged to have been the principal of this wonderful school over the past 5 years. A lot has changed in that time but the one thing that remains the same is the amazingly supportive community that we have connect to our kura. The next few years will be interesting as our community grows but I know that the Ngongotaha spirit will remain as strong as ever. Have a wonderful holiday break with your whanau.

Craig McFadyen

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

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Room 11

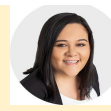
Rotorua Public Library trip



Room 12 fire safety trip 🔥



Room 13 St Johns, Dog Safety and Museum



Room 14

- Dog Safety -

... If a dog is on it's own, leave it alone ...



Trips and visitors - Room 15



Room 16 - a few of our recent pics



Room 17 Events

Visiting the fire station



At Tarimano Marae



The Dog Safety Programme

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Te Whanau Ngahere: Haru Toma, Echo Maurirere, Te Atakura R

Te Whanau Wai: Lusua Mana-Beaufoy, Lucy Sedgwick, Charlotte Peters, Loche Irihei, and Duncan Harding.

Te Whanau Manu: Cohan Hunter, Jo Jo Jacobs, Fiona Wilson, Honour Zammit, Anya Bardsley

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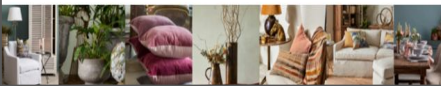
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What's Happening?

December 4th- Road Patrol fun day

December 5th- Cbop athletics and BOT Hui, Ngahere aMAZEme trip

December 6th- helpers morning tea

December 7th Te Whanau Wai walk in the park

December 11th- Middle Choir sing at St Barnards

December 12th Te whanau Manu fun day and Y6 Dinner

December 13th- Senior Choir sing at St Barnards, Ngahere and Mahuri fun day

December 14th Prizegiving, reports to go home and last day of School.



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