

# TE KURA O Ngongotaha KIDZONE

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## Craig's Korero

Another busy fortnight here at school. I would like to start by acknowledging passing of the Maori King, Kiingi Tuheitia Pootatau Te Wherowhero VII. A wonderful man and leader with great belief in his people, marked by humility and immense mana. His death is a moment of deep sadness for the nation as a whole.

Preparation is well underway for the production. Classes are deep into their rehearsals, with dances being perfected, characters coming to life, lines polished, props meticulously painted, and costumes expertly crafted. It promises to be an unforgettable show! Tickets for our evening performances will be available starting Monday, September 16th, priced at \$5 each with a limit of 5 per family to ensure everyone gets a chance to attend. Tickets are not required for the MATINEE shows, instead they will operate on a first-come, first-served basis.

Next week is Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori. Although this year we do not have anything specifically planned due to the time commitments of the production, this is a significant week for Aotearoa New Zealand. Personally, I believe we should be speaking Te Reo Maori as often as possible and not limiting it to just one week, but it is nice to acknowledge our beautiful language. So my challenge to you is to korero Maori whenever you are in school next week, it may be a simple *Kia ora* (Hello), *Morena* (Good morning) on drop off each morning or *Hei apopo* (see you tomorrow) as you cross the crossing at the end of the day. Kia kaha Te Reo Maori, give it a go.

A friendly reminder about not dropping children off to school until after 8am. I spoke to a girl the other day who had arrived at 7.05am. Other than Matua Doug, Whaea Teneille and myself, there was no one else around school. We can not offer supervision for children until after 8am. We have a wonderful before school care program that operates from 7.30am to support those whanau who need it.

You may recall a fundraiser we did a while back where we raised money to support ex student, Hunter Nepia, attend the CrossFit Games in the USA. I have recently heard from Hunter's mum, he is the fifth fittest teenager in the world. Well done, Hunter. We are all very proud of you!

### Rooms ( 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17 )

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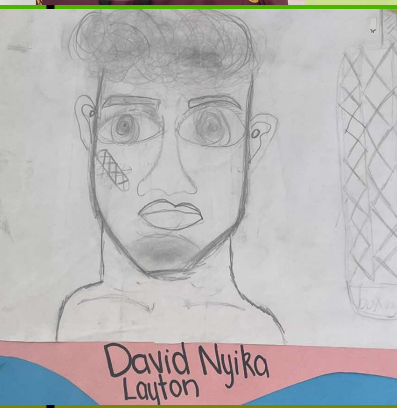
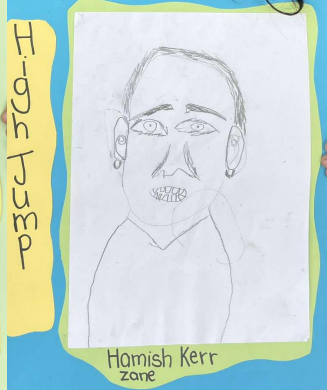
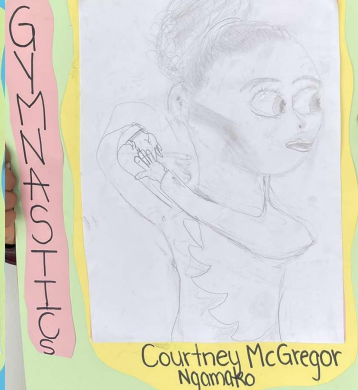
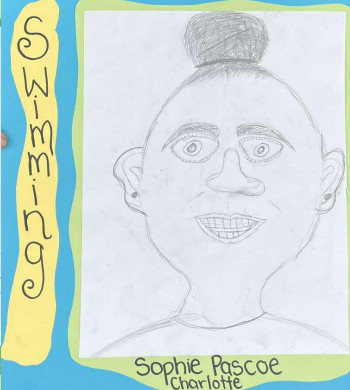
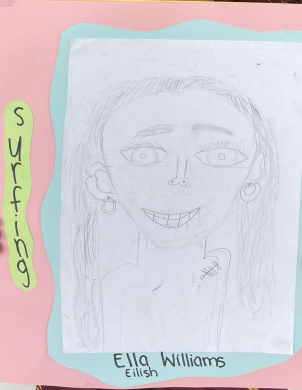
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"Iti rearea teitei Kahikatea ka taea  
Aim high, Stand proud"

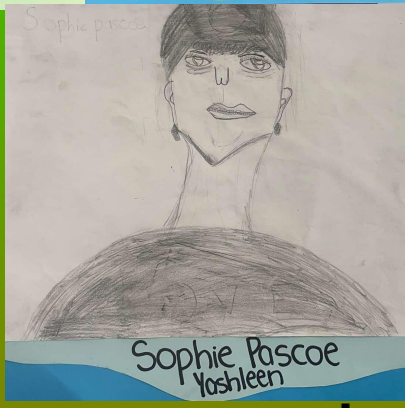






**Room 5**

**We have been sketching  
New Zealand Olympians!  
Are we going to be  
drawing you next?**



# Jailhouse Rock

Would you like to see more photos?  
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# Room Seven's Wonderful Writers

Can you guess what each character is feeling?



The little girl pounced up and down looking at her Christmas present. She burst out with cute overload. "A puppy!" Thank you so much!" she said!  
By Ria

As the butterflies fluttered in her stomach, she hid behind her mum as the butterflies grew bigger and bigger every second. Autumn

As I walked down the stairs, mum took my iPad off me because I didn't do my homework. So I stomped back upstairs. I screwed up my face. My hands screwed into a tight ball and I screamed "NO! Please mum give it back!". Nayla

We have been learning to use adverbs to make our sentences better.

Whaea Pam's dog went to his blanket quickly and nicely. By Pania

The cheeky girl laughed mischievously. By Danni

One day, a big dog ran swiftly through the jungle. By Kayle

The adventurous boy slowly climbed the tree. By Luke  
James skipped quickly to his hard maths class. By Chris

The suspicious dog sneakily walked around the house. By Kyle

One day, Dory the adventurous fish swam hungrily around the tank. By Ngaio

Whaea Pam glamorously tasted a little bit of coffee and then drank it quickly. By Eviee

The adventurous girl roamed happily around the neighbourhood. By Mya

## Room 8 working on their hip-hop moves!



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## AUTHOR OF THE WEEK

It all started as the sun was setting behind the shadowy trees and the blue silvery moon was slowly rising in the night sky. Me and my friends were all playing a game of, 'I Dare You'. Everything was going okay, until Kylah dared me to play hide and go seek next to the ghostly abandoned train track. I didn't really want to do it, but I knew if I didn't, Kylah would humiliate me in front of my friends. So, I had to say yes. As I crept over to the abandoned train tracks my heart was pounding in my chest like a drum and the wind was howling through the shadowy trees. While I was moving closer to the abandoned tracks, I saw...

By Hannah Aislabie from Room 6

*Brainy Awards*

*Te Whanau Mahuri*

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*Te Whanau Ngahere*

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*Te Whanau Wai*

*Meeya Rangiawha, Kyle Richards,  
Elouise Nunn, Eli Dredge*

*Te Whanau Manu*

*Deegan Reichardt and Bella Duane*

*Te Whanau Maunga*

*Bodhi Rhind, Kaleialoha Newton, Kyree  
Tataurangi, Eden Rhind*

## What's Happening?

16th September- Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori

24th September- Rip Grip Whip Mountain biking

25th September- Production Matinee and Evening Show

26th September- Production Matinee and Evening Show

27th September- Last day of term 3

### Term 4

14th October- First day of term 4

12th December- Prize Giving

Last day of the year;

Thursday 12th December (for students)

Friday 13th of December (for staff)

Supporting Ngongotaha Business.

This week...

Captured by Tahlia

Tahlia Dredge is Archie, Lexi and Eli's mum. She is also an amazing photographer. Tahlia has helped capture several different moments here at school and has the most amazing images on her website. If you are looking for a photographer, call her and support Ngongotaha Business.



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