



Important Dates to Remember

Wiki Tuatahi—Wk 1 > 3/2/2010—5/2/2010

Powhiri—3/2/10—First day back

>Term newsletter sent home

>WAITANGI DAY—6/5/2010

Wiki Tuarua—Wk 2 > 8/2/2010—12/2/2010

> Tuesday—Yr 7 & 8's—Technology

>Nominations for House team captains

> Nominations for class councilors

> Rāmere—Mahi Kainga Due

Wiki Tuatoru- Wk 3 > 15/19/2010—19/19/2010

> Meet the teacher BBQ—16th > 5pm

-HSP meeting update

> Thursday— Museum Trip—rm 5

>Friday—Tabloid sports

Wiki Tuawha—Wk 4 >22/2/2010—26/2/2010

>Tuesday 23rd Feb— HPV - y8 girls & y7 boost immunisation

> Tuesday—Yr 7 & 8's—Technology

> Rāmere—Mahi Kainga Due

Wiki Tuarima—Wk 5 >1/3/2010—5/3/2010

>Friday—HPV catch up for Y8-Y7 girls

Wiki Tuaeono—Wk 6 > 8/3/2010—12/3/2010

> Tuesday—Yr 7 & 8's—Technology

>Rāmere—Mahi Kainga Due

Wiki Tuawhitu—Wk 7 > 15/3/2010—19/3/2010

> Tuesday—Yr 7 & 8's—Technology

>Thursday (18th) - Interschool Swimming Sports

Wiki Tuawaru—Wk 8 > 22/3/2010—26/3/2010

>Wednesday 24th March > KAI FESTIVAL

>Thursday-Balloon Visit : 1:30pm

Friday—Akomanga rima's hui-a-kura

>Rāmere—Mahi Kainga Due

Wiki Tuaiwa—Wk 9 > 29/3/2010—1/4/2010

>Tuesday—Student Led conference— 2:pm-7pm

>Wednesday -Student Led Conference— 2:30-6pm

>Thursday 1st April—Last day of term

> No school—Friday—Good Friday

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Kia Ngakau Mahaki
Kia Ako, Kia Tupu

Nau Mai Haere Mai

Akomanga Rima

Yau 4-8

Wahanga Tuatahi
2010

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Marae Visit - Hemi Tapu



Ta Matou Maara Kai!



Mahi Kapahaka



Whole School Production





Kiaora Koutou Katoa!

Te mihi tuatahi ki te Atua, nana nei nga mea katoa. Te mihi tuara ki to ratou Kingi a Turheta me te kahui Ariki whai tonu. Te mihi tuara ki te mate, haere ki hawaki nui, hawaki roa, hawaki pamaao. Nei ra te mihi nui kia a koutou katoa, Tena koutou katoa.



Maurora kia koutou katoa, Ko Whaea Tish te kaiako o akomaniga rima, He uri no te Taiokerau. Ko Maunga Tanwha te maunga. Ko Taipā te awa. Ko Mamaru te waka, Ko Ngati Kahu te iwi.

tau, ka puawata o nga rangatira mo apopo. Kiaora te whanau Welcome! My name is Whaea Tish Seumaru, I am the teacher for room 5. I am a descendant from the north. My mountain is Maunga Tanwha. My river is Taipā. My canoe is Mamaru and my tribe is Ngati Kahu.

I have been teaching for nearly 7 years, I have currently been teaching in this class for 5 years. I am very happy to see all my awesome tamariki return back for another exciting year. So parents and whanau, please support your children, so that their beauty will transform them into our our leaders of tomorrow.

Our ongoing **main focus** is to implement more teaching of Te Reo Maori throughout the year. This means that tamariki will endure an intense learning programme where Maori will be the main language spoken through at least the two blocks of every day. I believe that this will help build confidence and fluency in our akomaniga.

School Uniforms: This year school uniform is compulsory for all tamariki. I would like to encourage all whanau to support their tamariki by having the correct uniform daily.

Cellphones in Class: This year we will be continuing with cellphones in class. Tamariki will be calling home about positive things they have been doing in school and negative things they have been doing in school. Our **Relationship Plan** in our class will still remain as FAIR WARRNING—PHONE HOME, which means tamariki will be given one warning and then a phone call home, if they are misbehaving. Otherwise the caught been good phone calls will still continue on a regular basis.

Mahi Kaiinga—Home Learning: Mahi kaiinga is an important part of your child's learning. Everything in the sheets are activities from subjets learnt within the week. Mahi kaiinga is to consolidate what your child has learnt at school, it is also to prepare our tamariki for when they head to to high school. All tamariki are to complete mahi kaiinga every week. It is **important**, as their parents, whanau or guardian you ensure your child has completed the worksheet ready to return on the due day. If mahi kaiinga is incomplete there will be a suitable consequence put in place. Mahi kaiinga will be given out on Monday afternoon, due in the fortnight Friday. No reira, whanau, kia kaha!

Kai-Food: It is very important that tamariki have breakfast in the mornings as well as having healthy and suitable food for playtime and lunch. Our tamariki need to have healthy kai to learn throughout the day. Tamariki are allowed to bring drink bottles to school filled with water. (No fizzy drinks allowed).

Te Reo Maori

The major topics that will be covered during this term will be, whanauगतानगा, whakapapa, no hea koe? (where are you from?) Mihimithi (speeches), karanga, karakia and the tikanga and kawa of Tainui. Also ongoing, Te Reo Maori throughout the day. We will also be visiting the Museum visiting the exhibition Maori Arts.

Pāngarau – Mathematics

In Pangarau, we are learning about basic facts, Numeracy knowledge and strategies. Tamariki will also learn about Statistics and money as part of our Kai Festival preparation. I would like to encourage tamariki to learn their timetables from their 1's to their 12's. Kia kaha!

Pānui—reading

Tamariki will be reading in English and Maori. The focus in reading will be to improve reading fluency and comprehension of text. Each child has reading test to provide a suitable reading programme to enhance areas where your child needs assistance in. As part of mahi kaiinga tamariki will be encouraged to read on a daily basis to improve their reading skills and strategies. Tamariki need to be reading at least 15–20 minutes after school. Feel free to ask your child about what they are reading.

Tuhituhi—Writing

Expressive writing is the writing genre we will be learning this term. Tamariki will learn to write expressive pieces on a range of topics. We will also be learning various grammar points to enhance our writing. Handwriting and spelling will be areas that we will focus on during class and as part of mahi kaiinga.

Inquiry Learning

As your tamariki will tell you we have a few exciting things happening with our enviro-schools kaupapa. We have a new scenario and task to begin our preparation for the Kai Festival in week 8. Our garden needs to have a make over in time for harvesting for our kai. We will be learning how to continue being a sustainable enviro-school and caring for our class garden. (Te maara kai). Please feel free to come and see our kai.

ICT—Information Computer Technology

This year tamariki will be creating a digital profile of powerpoints, videos, published work they have done throughout the year. They will also be learning how to use the computer by assessing information for

research and to using various interactive programmes to

Physical Education : Hākinakina

For hakinakina this term we will be enduring a variety of physical skills and activities such as summer sports, teaching balls skills. They will also be doing exciting activities like jump jam, hip hop and tai chi to get energized for learning. We will also be doing tabloid sports to encourage team work, confidence building. This year I would like to encourage tamariki to bring along a change of PE gear which is a change of t-shirt and shorts for Hākinakina.

Health—Hauora

As mentioned previously, we are focusing on eating healthy kai to help our tamariki to feed their minds to function at their full potential. We will also be learning about 'keeping ourselves clean' (Hygiene) throughout the term. This will focus on teaching basic cleanliness skills.

Technology

Technology is a compulsory subject for all year 7 & 8 tamariki to attend every fortnight on TUESDAYS. Tamariki are required to have suitable covered shoes. Jandals or open toe shoes are unacceptable. Technology takes place at Ngaurawahia high school. Tamariki learn various wood craft and other technologies. This term technology will be on weeks, 2, 4, 6, and 8. It is a good learning experience for tamariki.

Please keep this form attached to your fridge to remind your of up and coming events. Attached return back to kura as soon as possible.

Hei kōna

Whaea Tish :-)

I will contact whanau if there are any other
events happening during the term