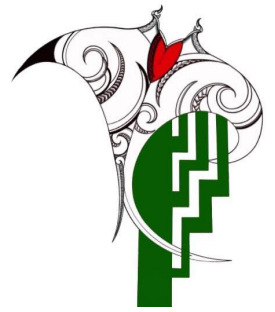


Te Kura o Te Kauaeranga

Thames South School



PĀNUI - NEWSLETTER

Rāmere 13 o Whiringa-ā-nuku 2023

Tēnā tātou e te whānau,

Ngā mihi manahau o te wahanga tuawhā o te tau nei. Nō reira, kia ū, kia mau, kia ita!

Our term has started with heaps on the go for our tamariki and hapori. Our puna kaukau opened on Monday and our tamariki e te whānau are Te Kauaeranga tough!

Our Bee Club – Ngā Kaitiaki o ngā PT added another layer to our 2 bee whare – He mihi mahana ki a Matua Ravi. Thank you for sharing your kete of mātauranga with us.

Our junior tamariki went to Snow Planet and had the best time! Thank you to Whaea Di for all of the mahi behind the scenes, thank you to all of the whānau that supported our fundraising raffle for EOTC opportunities for our tamariki, thank you to our Rākau Symposium whānau that sponsored our extra warm layers, a big mihi to our whānau who helped on the day and our kaiako for running the mahi on the day! Ngā mihi e te whānau!

Our Breakfast Club started this week and we have different monitors that will be organising our kai in takirua every day 8:30am – 8:50am.

Our Māra Kai mahi started this week with Matua Shaked and The Basket Hauraki. We are getting ready for three māra kai that we will be planting for our whānau and hapori. The learning for our tamariki will be able to be nurtured by our experts with the intention of taking this knowledge back to grow our māra kai for our whānau and marae.

We have heaps on the go e te whānau and we can only get stronger working together in the same waka! Anō nei, kia ū, kia mau, kia ita!

Please get out there and vote e te whānau! Let's flip the narrative and let our voices be heard!

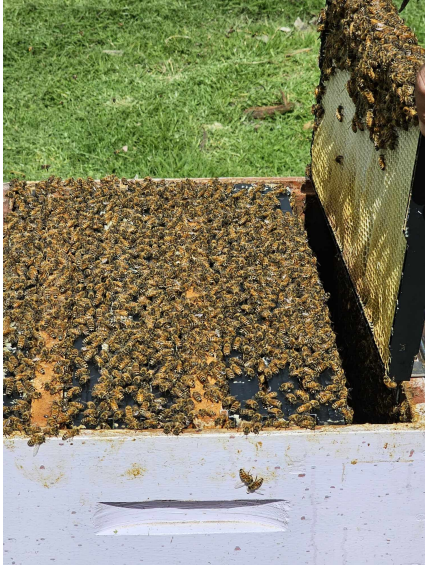
“We are all elite! We come from rangatira! We come from giants! We come from taniwha!”

Tēnā rā tātou katoa.

Whaea Barbara Hetaraka









Congratulations to Ava for receiving the Most Improved trophy for Rugby League and Grace for receiving the True Sportsmanship award!



ADMIN UPDATE

Important Dates:

16 - 20 October - Get Spotted - Melanoma Awareness Week

19 October - Whole School Photos

23 October - Labour Day (no kura)

25 October - BoT Hui

7 - 9 November - Whole School Noho - Tapu School

20 November - ToD

22 November - BoT Hui

27 - 30 November Water Safety Lessons

9 December - Santa Parade & Whānau Day

11th December - Year 8 Leavers Dinner

12th December - Prize-Giving

13 December - Last day for tamariki

14 December - Last day for kaiako

30 January 2024 - Kura opens for 2024!

Book Club Issue 7 2023

Your tamaiti received the latest issue this week, you can order these online only. Closing date: 1st December 2023. Any queries contact Customer Services on 0800 266 525 or email bookclub@scholastic.co.nz

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Touch for younger age-

Where- Rhodes park

When- Monday 16th October

Time- 5/6yr olds - 3.45- 4.15pm

7/8yr olds - 4.15-4.45pm

Cost - \$5 per whanau

Please email or txt Adriene Hodgson to register interest.

adrienehodgson@icloud.com

02041511489.

Short 'n Sweet Fun Meet - Sat 28th October

Thames Swim Club's annual Short 'n Sweet Meet is just around the corner, and we would love to see children from your school come along and have a go at racing in a fun, relaxed atmosphere.

This event is a carnival-style meet which would suit anyone who can swim 25m+ and especially those who enjoy school swimming sports.

Anybody can enter (you do not even need to belong to a swim club), and there are treats for all participants, plus ribbons and medals up for grabs!

And the other great thing is that it is usually over by lunchtime!

Head to our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ThamesAmateurSwimmingClub> for the google.doc entry form and more information.

We hope to see lots of new faces there!

Kind Regards

TASC Committee



The Skool Loop App is completely free for whānau - get the app to connect with kura. This is a great way to communicate when your tamaiti is away. There are no costs associated with any of the features used within the app.

The app is funded by local advertisers who use the platform to advertise their businesses.



We are getting involved in Melanoma Awareness Week
16th - 22nd October 2023

We have UV Wristbands for sale at the office - \$3 each. The band changes colour when exposed to UV radiation, reminding you to protect your skin from sun damage.

We are planning the following challenges;

- A colouring competition - there are two designs to choose from (or colour both). These need to be handed in Thursday afternoon to meet the deadline of submission.
Thanks to the artist Jun Arita, for supporting this competition with these two designs.
Jun Arita will pick the winning entries on Friday, 3 November.
- Create an advertisement for sun safety for our pānui / facebook page and to share with Melanoma NZ - best advert announced on Friday

And then:

- Get Spotted Mufti Day - Wednesday 18th October - gold coin koha
- Disco - Wednesday 18th October - \$2 entry fee. Win **SPOT** prizes!
- **Spotty** Cupcakes for sale Thursday morning tea time - \$2 each

By participating in this awareness week and sharing our challenges we are also eligible to win the following prize

Thanks to **Lidgard Shades** (sponsor of Get Spotted), there is an amazing 'SPOT PRIZE' up for grabs: A 49m² Shade Sail, including four steel posts, worth almost \$20,000, including installation. The winner can select their colour of choice from the range provided by **Lidgard Shades**.

Let's get involved and try and win this for our kura!

The logo features the text "Get spotted" in white, with "Get" in a smaller font above "spotted". The text is set against a red circular background that has a white border and a yellow circle overlapping its bottom right edge. The background of the entire page is a gradient of yellow and red.

Get
spotted

Melanoma New Zealand is a registered charitable trust. It's mission is to prevent avoidable deaths and suffering from melanoma. Melanoma New Zealand provides information about all aspects of melanoma, promotes melanoma prevention and regular skin checks for early detection, and advocates for increased access to high quality clinical care.

Melanoma Facts

- New Zealand has the highest incidence of melanoma in the world.
- More than 6,000 people are diagnosed with melanoma in New Zealand every year.
- Around 300 people die each year of melanoma in New Zealand – in fact more people die from skin cancer than on our roads.
- Melanoma accounts for nearly 80% of all skin cancer deaths.
- Most skin cancers are caused by too much UV radiation.
- Most skin cancers, including melanoma, are found in people aged 50 years or older. However, melanoma is reasonably common in younger age groups too (especially people aged between 25 and 39 years).
- Melanoma is rare in children.
- Māori and Pacific people may have a lower chance of getting melanoma, but they often have thicker, more serious melanomas.
- The majority of skin cancers are preventable.
- If melanoma is recognised and treated early enough, it is almost always curable.

Check your skin regularly so you will be aware of any changes.

HOW TO LOOK AFTER THE SKIN YOU'RE IN:

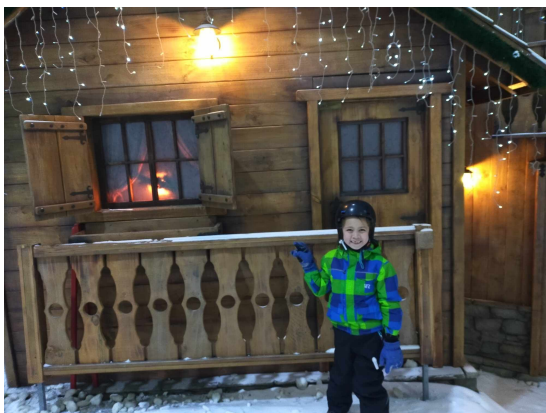
- Slip on a shirt/top with long sleeves and a collar.
- Spend time in the shade.
- Slap on sunscreen that is at least SPF 30, broad-spectrum and water resistant.
- Apply 20 minutes before going outside and reapply every 2 hours.
- Slap on a broad-brimmed hat that shades your face, head, neck and ears.
- Wrap on close fitting sunglasses.
- Don't use sunbeds.
- Protect your skin during the time of the day when UV radiation is highest. This is between 10am and 4pm during daylight saving months.
- Check your skin regularly and seek advice if there are any changes.

For more information go to - melanoma.org.nz



Snow planet Hikoi

It's our first week back at Kura and our hikoi to Snow Planet turned into an unforgettable junior experience joined by some of our whānau in a collective celebration of winter magic. They had an amazing time going tubing down the fast icy slopes, making snow angels in the snow and exploring what snow planet had to offer. We had lunch in the restaurant which had an amazing view of all the other snowboards and skiers moving so fast down the snow slope. We had some outstanding whānau awhi supporting our tamariki throughout the day and our hosts at Snow Planet were very accommodating, huge thank you to everyone that was able to make this happen.



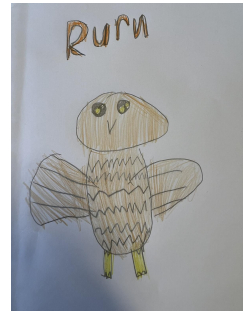
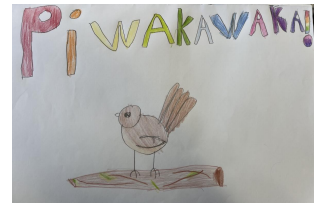
Kura Updates

Te Haeata

This term Te Haeata are investigating Ngā Manu o Aotearoa. This week the tamariki learnt what the terms Extinct, Endangered and At Risk mean. Each taura has a native manu that they are researching. Te Haeata will also be looking into how they can be kaitiaki for our manu and ways in which they can encourage the manu to visit us at kura.

You can follow our learning on our learning site -

<https://bit.ly/ngāmanuohauraki> .



Kura Updates Te Hāpai Ō



He mihi nui ki te kura o Puriri.

Tokowhā ngā tama had a fantastic day 'showing' ngā reme. Catching up with Matua Solomon and making new friends were some of the highlights of the day. Winning ribbons was an added bonus and a great way to be rewarded for their hard mahi.

Junior Results:

Ryu Dean and Bingo - 4th Leading, 1st Calling, 1st Rearing.

Te Kauri Toia and Kohe - 2nd Leading, 2nd Calling, 2nd Rearing.

Senior Results:

Ithaca Silva-Sherson and Chocco - 1st Leading, 3rd Calling, 2nd Rearing

Riki Folau Smith and Billy - 4th Calling, 1st Rearing



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Te Amorangi

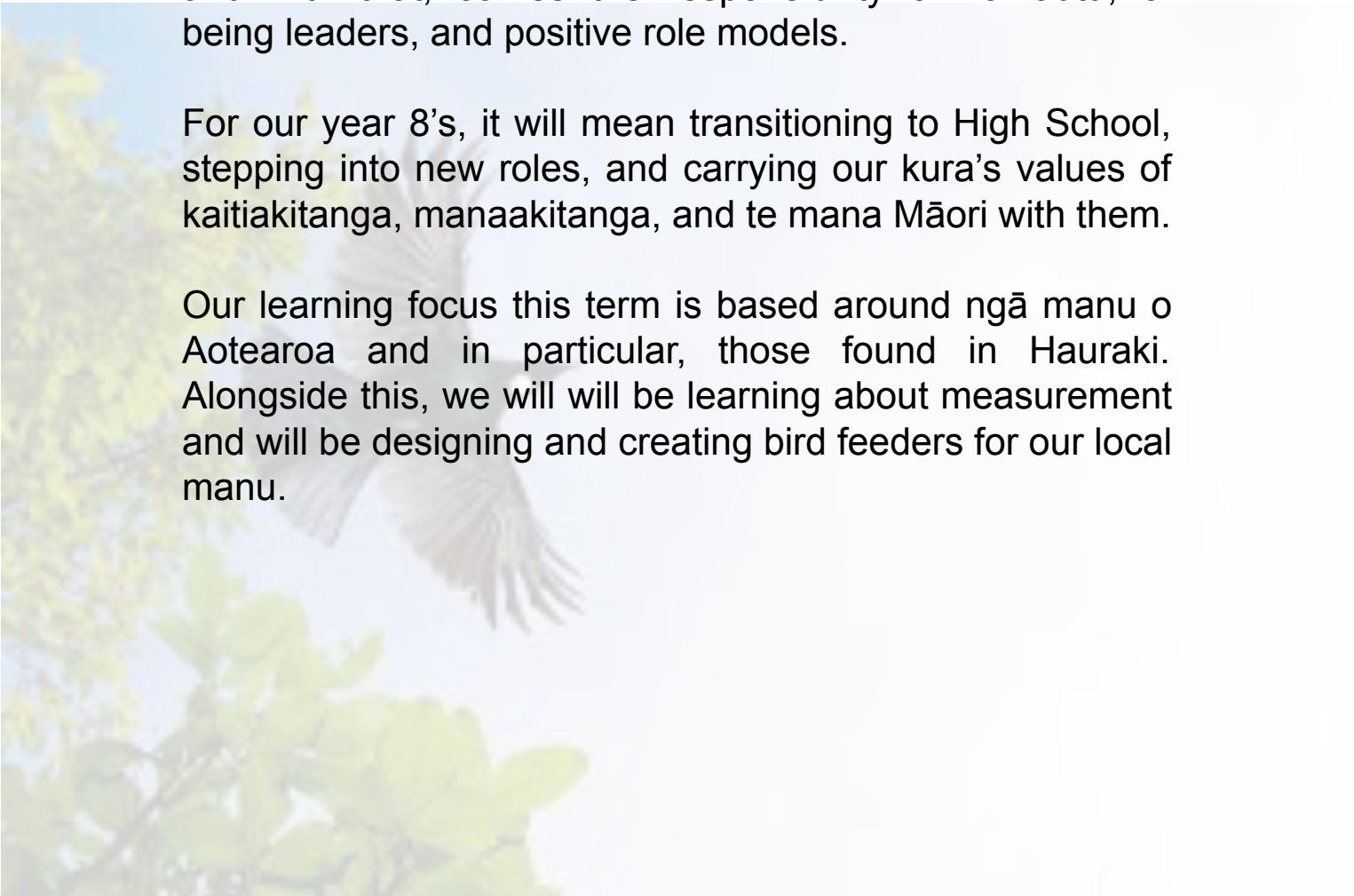


Mā te huruhuru ka rere te manu.
Adorn the bird with feathers and it will fly.

This term, we can reflect on our past journeys over the year, and look towards what next year might bring. For our year 7s, it will include becoming the tuakana in our kura and with that, comes the responsibility of kaihautū, of being leaders, and positive role models.

For our year 8's, it will mean transitioning to High School, stepping into new roles, and carrying our kura's values of kaitiakitanga, manaakitanga, and te mana Māori with them.

Our learning focus this term is based around ngā manu o Aotearoa and in particular, those found in Hauraki. Alongside this, we will be learning about measurement and will be designing and creating bird feeders for our local manu.





Mouthguards are compulsory
Supply your own refs
Refs will be allocated for finals

Entries to: susanhindstvbb@gmail.com

Years 5 / 6 - 3 x 3 - Saturday 18th November
Years 7 / 8 - 5 x 5 - Saturday 25th November