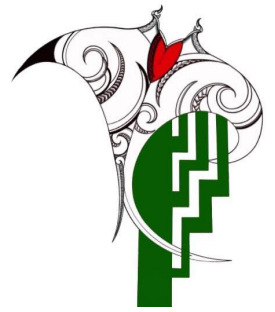


# Te Kura o Te Kauaeranga

## Thames South School



### PĀNUI - NEWSLETTER

#### Rāmere 8 Poutūterangi 2024

Te Ara Whakamua - **OUR VISION:** Together we Excel

#### **Whakapapa - MISSION**

Empowering through language, identity and culture.

#### **Ngā Uara - VALUES**

We will be explicit about;

AROHA, RESPECT, HONESTY, EXCELLENCE, CONFIDENCE, MANAAKITANGA, CREATIVITY, COOPERATION, SELF-DISCIPLINE, SERVICE, and TOLERANCE acknowledging our tipuna walk with us

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Te Kura o Te Kauaeranga,

Our aim this year is to be intentional about striving towards our vision – Te Ara Whakamua, Whakapapa – our mission, and ngā uara – our values. We acknowledge that to do this we need to ensure that we are working in collaboration with our tamariki and whānau. We want to prepare our tamariki to be effective members of our kura, whānau, marae, hapū, and hapori with a sound understanding of who they are and where they come from. This is an opportunity for us all to learn this and reconnect with our people, and our place.

Kia whakatōmuri te haere whakamua:

‘I walk backwards into the future

with my eyes fixed on my past’

A kōrero recently shared with me about this whakatauki was that we look back into the faces of our tipuna to guide us through the present and future. There are no future facts, these are yet to be embodied experiences for our tamariki and us. May we do this with determination in our pursuit of excellence in both Te Ao Māori me Te Ao Hurihuri.

Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou ka ora ai te iwi

Nāku iti nei,

Whaea Barbara Hetaraka

# ADMIN UPDATE

## Important Dates:

12th - 14th March - Whole School Camp at Tapu School

11th - 15th March - Hockey Big Day Out Week

20th March - Paeroa Central Tamariki coming to join us for the afternoon

28th March - Easter Raffle Drawn

29th March - Good Friday (Kura Closed)

1st - 2nd April - Easter Monday and Tuesday (Kura Closed)

**Easter Raffle** - look out for raffle books coming home after camp, great prizes and tickets are only \$2 each (10 tickets in each book). Raffle drawn, Thursday 28th March. Additional books can be purchased from the office.

**1<sup>st</sup> prize**, Water Works Family Entry Pass, \$50 fuel voucher, \$100 Pak'n'Save voucher & an \$80 easter basket of goodies

**2<sup>nd</sup> prize**, \$80 easter basket of goodies

**3<sup>rd</sup> prize**, \$50 easter basket of goodies

## CELEBRATIONS

Thank you to the following local businesses that are supporting our kura

- Dayle ITM Kopu
- Stihl Shop Thames
- Domino's Pizza Thames
- Pollen Street Superette and Spices
- Family Safety Services
- Thames Budget Service
- JollyBikes
- The Basket Hauraki

Do you have a desk lamp that you don't need anymore? We would like to use this with our new camera equipment - please drop these off to the school office - ngā mihi in advance.

We really appreciate the support you have given our kura.

Thank you to Melanoma NZ and Lidgard Shades - we enjoyed taking part in the Get Spotted campaign and really appreciated that we were selected to win the prize of shade sails!!



## Whole School Camp Gear List

- 2x Warm long pants
- 1x Woollen jersey
- 2x Tshirts
- 1x Shorts
- 1x Pair of sports shoes fit for uneven surfaces
- 1x Jandals for around camp (optional)
- 1x Sun glasses (optional)
- 1x Woollen beanie (optional)
- 1x Warm PJs
- 2x Warm socks
- 1x Warm jacket
- 1x Toiletries; soap, toothbrush & paste
- 2x Towels
- 1x Swimming togs
- 1x Plastic bag/ wet bag for wet clothes
- 1x Medium sized bag for gear
- 1x Sleeping bag/ blanket
- 1x Slimline mattress (no big mattresses please – based on space)
- 1x Pillow (optional)
- Medication (to be handed to Whaea Hilary)
- Booster seat – if your child requires one
- 1x Torch (optional)
- 1x School potae
  - Plate, bowl, cup, knife, fork, spoon
  - Home baking or packet of biscuits
  - Insect repellent
  - Pull ups if required
  - Small – medium sized tent (optional)

# Don't Get Left Behind This Year!

Download our Skool Loop app to keep up to date with school information.  
Notices, newsletters, absentee notifications and much more.

2023

2024

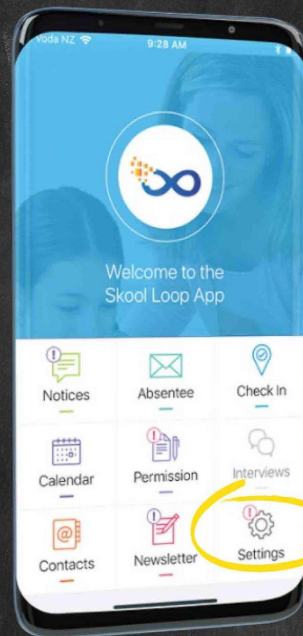
## Simple free download:

In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.



 THE SKOOL LOOP APP

## HOW TO SUBSCRIBE TO NOTICE GROUPS



TO JOIN YOUR SKOOL LOOP APP NOTICE GROUPS, SIMPLY FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW:

- > Go to the 'Settings' tile in the bottom right hand corner of the Home Screen
- > Go to 'Subscribe to groups'
- > Tap to select the group/s you would like to receive notifications from
- > You're good to go - you will now receive all notices sent to the groups you have subscribed to

### NEED MORE INFO?

Call Skool Loop Aus on 1800 203 493  
Call Skool Loop NZ on 0800 238 379





# Kura Updates

## Te Awatea



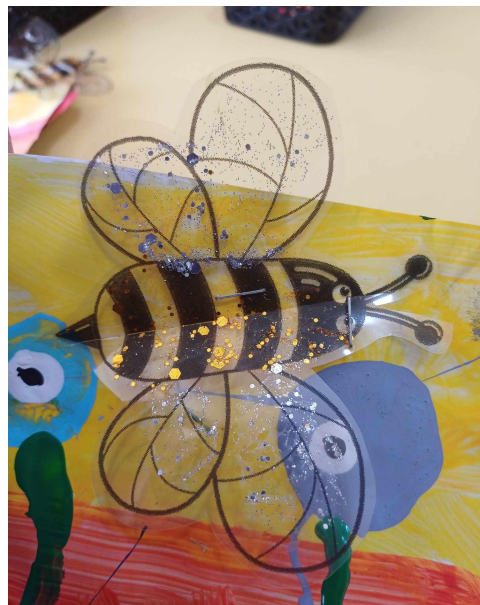
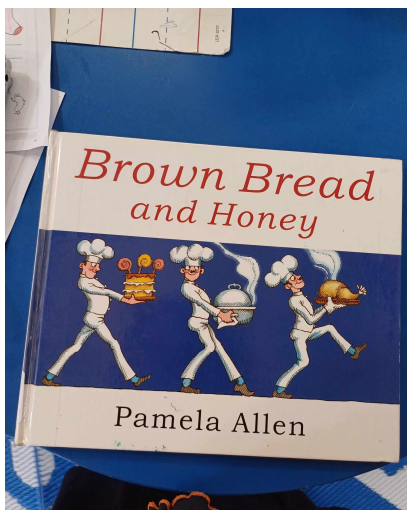
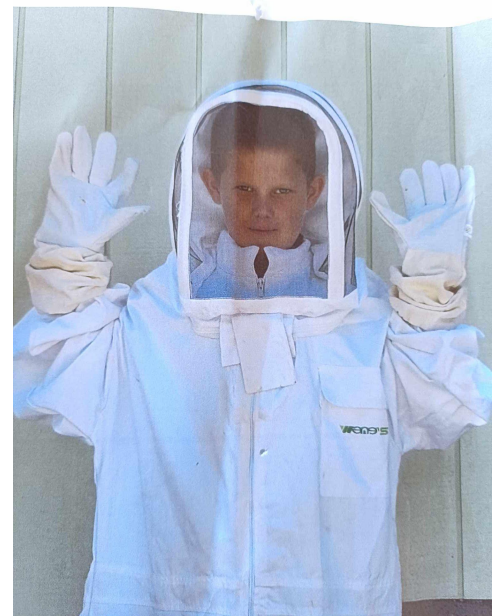
Te Awatea have been learning about honey bees (ngā pī honi).

We visited the bee hives on our field and talked about how bees collect pollen and make honey.

Some tamariki were keen to try on a bee suit and they discovered that the suits made us feel very hot but kept us safe.

Whaea Lyn read the story "Brown Bread & Honey" so we made honey sandwiches for afternoon tea - IAMI - YUM!!

Come and have a look at our artwork. Our windows are decorated with Bee Art.





# Kura Updates

## Te Haeata

### Mahi Tahī Te Haeata!

Nau mai haere mai e te whānau ki te tīmatanga o te kaupeka tuatahi! Welcome to the start of Term 1! Working together has been an important ingredient for Te Haeata as we get to know each other and settle in.

One of the highlights so far has been outdoor education with Matua Trif and tuākana from Te Amorangi. Working on their leadership skills Te Amorangi devised games for us to participate in.

Te Haeata tamariki loved working with their tuākana as well as all the interesting equipment such as mussel buoys, ropes, and tarpaulins.

It's mīharo to see tamariki grow their confidence, coordination, and mahitahi. It also provides us with inspiration for writing when we're back in our akomanga.

Another hit has been cooking, which we have integrated into our Pānui (Literacy) and Pāngarau (Numeracy) learning. Preparing and sharing kai is a great way to develop our manaakitanga.

We made Valentine's Day cookies. Working in groups tamariki had to read their recipe, follow instructions, and practise measurement skills.

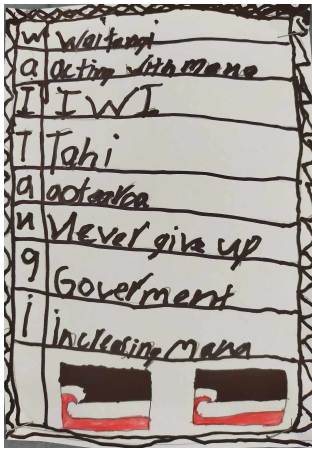
The results were tino reka!





# Kura Updates

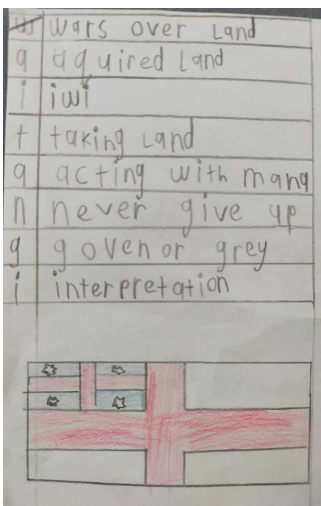
## Te Hāpai Ō



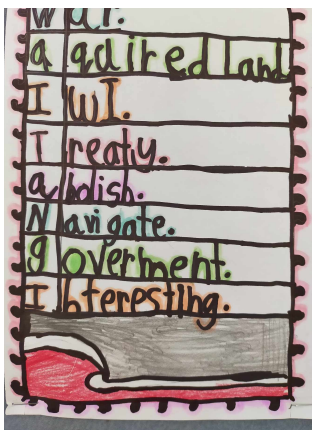
Geshem

Nau mai haere mai!  
 We have started our year looking at Te Tiriti o Waitangi; what it meant when it was created and signed; what it means now; and all that has happened in between. Our next steps are to see what we need to do now, and in the future to Toitū te Tiriti!

We also have had our Kansai students with us for the last three weeks. We have enjoyed learning alongside you and wish you all the best!



Gryffon



Violet





# Ngā Mataamua ō te Kura - Te Amorangi



He wāhanga pōnana ko tēnei mo mātou o Te Amorangi. Mai i te mahi kaihautū ki Whangaiterenga ki te mahi tiaki i ngā tuna hei oranga mo apōpō ki te riu o Waikato.

The year for Te Amorangi has started with a bang! Our tamariki have hiked to the top of maunga and abseiled back down to Papatūānuku. We have also had the privilege of releasing some punua tuna back into the Waikato for future generations.



Ngā mihi ki ngā kaitautoko i tō mātou kaupapa. Thank you to all of those adults and whānau who continue to support our crazy and enriching adventures.



Our tamariki made authentic connections with Kansai students this term. Arigatō, soshite wakare.



# *Kura Updates*



## Mahi with Matua Trif

Te Amorangi made an outdoor classroom on the field this week. They are learning which type of knots to use in a tension system - hopefully these skills will come in useful on camp!

Te Hāpai Ō used the outdoor classroom to make a rākau niho to gift to the Kansai students. We are going to miss them!





# Kura Updates

## Te Kawenga

Tītia mai rā tōku reo

i te poho o ngā pīpī whākaokao e

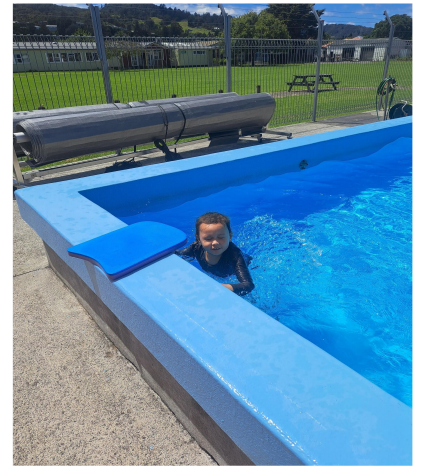
Kia mau i te whatumanawa

Kia kore e ngaro i te arero

ko tōku reo Māori e!

Nau mai hoki mai e ngā whānau o Te Kawenga! I ēnei wiki kua tākaro mātou i ngā kemu kia whakatairanga i te reo Māori, he rauemi pai ēnei ki te whakaputa i te reo Māori. Nā te tino wera o ngā rangi ka haere mātou ia rā ki te puna kauhoe parakatihī ai.

Nau mai rā e Ihimaira Akurangi rātou ko tō whānau ki tō mātou nei kopa o Te Kawenga.





2024  
REGISTRATIONS FOR  
THAMES JUNIOR  
RUGBY

## Junior Muster

Sunday 12th March @3pm - Thames Rugby Club

Child/Children must attend muster  
as evry child will need to try on  
gear for correct sizes this season.

Come and Join the fun sausage  
sizzle and games at muster

## REGISTRATION PRICE

Year 3 - 8

\$60 Per player

\$110 Two or more players per family

Year 0 - 2

\$50 Rippa Rugby

Enquires

[tjrsec@gmail.com](mailto:tjrsec@gmail.com)



starting from  
Sunday 7th April

# Tamariki Yoga

Yoga classes for children  
age 3 to 11 & their whanau.

Fun, playful yoga sessions where your child can learn powerful tools to help them regulate their nervous system and grow resilience.

These sessions are open to parents and siblings, to grow knowledge for the whole whanau.

Children under 5 years old need to have a caregiver with them.

\$10 per a child & \$5 for each other whanau member (siblings and parents)

Where: Thames Racecourse, in the big building attached to the Grandstand, on the left in Edgar Clark Drive.

When: Sundays from 7th April at 10.30 am.



Angela Mastronardi, originally from Italy, has called Aotearoa home for the past decade. With a background in neurophysiology and as a certified yoga teacher, she is the founder of Manawa Ora Neuro Breath Consultancy. She is a mother of a young girl and she is dedicated to helping others achieve holistic well-being through the practice of breath exercises and yogasana. For more info or queries contact her on [www.manawaoraneurobreath.com](http://www.manawaoraneurobreath.com) or FB page Manawa Ora Neuro Breath.





**THAMES EARLY CHILDHOOD  
EDUCATION CENTRE**

100 HAVEN STREET  
Moanataiari Thames  
07 8687028  
tecec@xtra.co.nz



**Our fees:**

Birth-3 years old  
\$6 per hour  
Minimum of 20 hours

3 & 4 Year olds  
30 free hours

Additional hours \$6 per hour

Hours: 8am-3pm  
Monday- Friday

Spaces available now!

Ask us about extended hours!



**THAMES EARLY CHILDHOOD  
EDUCATION CENTRE**

100 HAVEN STREET  
Moanataiari Thames  
07 8687028  
tecec@xtra.co.nz



**Our fees:**

Birth-3 years old  
\$6 per hour  
Minimum of 20 hours

3 & 4 Year olds  
30 free hours

Additional hours \$6 per hour.

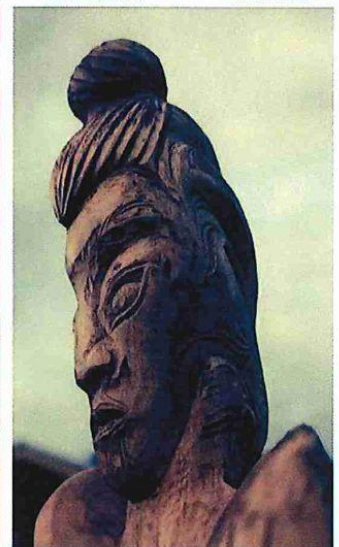
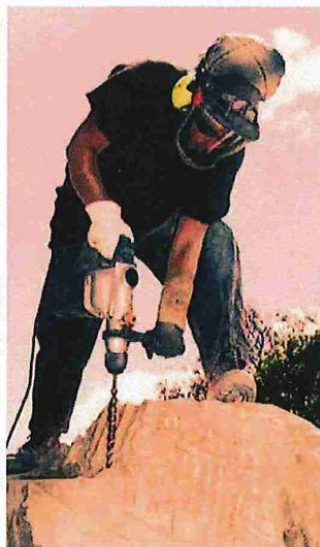
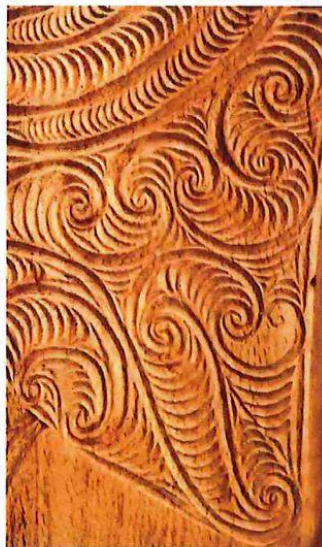
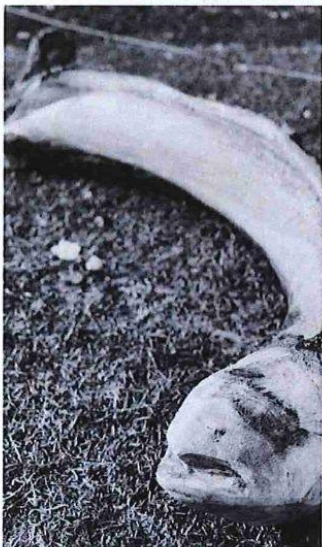
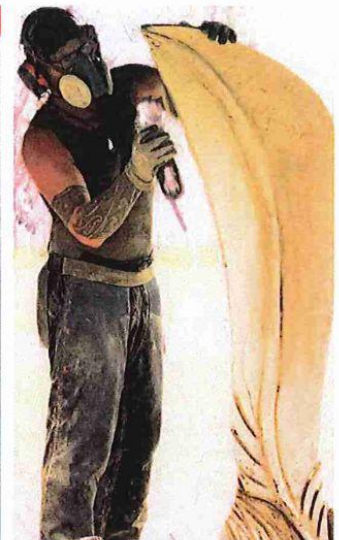
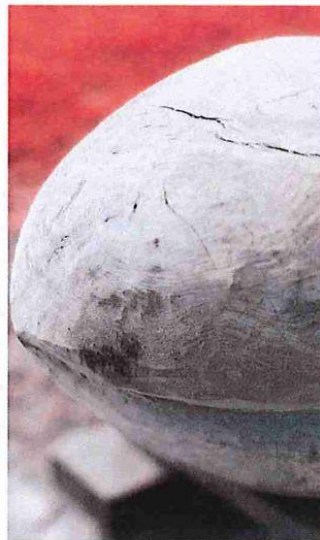
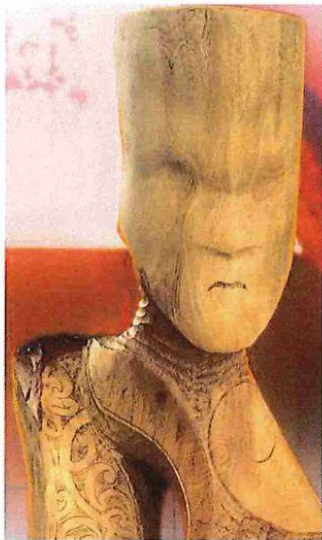
Hours: 8am-3pm Monday- Friday

Spaces available now!

Ask us about extended hours!







# Ngākau

## CARVING SYMPOSIUM

18th-27th April 2024

Auction 27th April

Nau mai  
haere mai ki  
Te Wānanga Whakairo  
o Te Ngākau

Te Kura o Te Kauaeranga  
(Thames South School)  
307 Rolleston Street

Event Information



SCAN ME

