



Te Kura o Te Kauaeranga - Thames South School

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Rātū 30 o Kohitātea 2024

Nau mai whakatau mai – Welcome to our kura and whānau

Nau mai hoki mai – Welcome back

It is hoped that the break over Hineraumati – summer, has been an awesome time to reset and reconnect with whānau, friends and the places of significance to us all. Welcome back to those returning, and a big warm welcome to those joining us for the first time; Tangaroa, Forrest, Atea & Arend.

We welcome Whaea Jenna and Matua Trif to our teaching team this year. Whaea Jenna is teaching in Te Haeata and Matua Trif will be working with all of our tamariki.

Upcoming Dates & Reminders

Mahi kauhoe – swimming every day this term – please check that your tamaiti has their kakahu kaukau (togs) daily

Rāhina 5 o Hui-tānguru (Mon 5th Feb) Kura is closed – Kaiako Only Day

Rātū 6 o Hui-tānguru – Waitangi Day Kura is closed

Please ensure that your tamaiti is in school uniform and plain black bottoms, and school potae (all of these uniform items are available to purchase at the front office, the black bottoms can be purchased by your preferred store in town). Please name all items of uniform.

Tamariki need a water bottle (water only) to stay hydrated in class

School lunches are provided daily (Ngā mihi mahana Whaea Di and team) – tamariki will be encouraged to bring the remainder of their kai home

Rātū 13 o Hui-tānguru – Come and bring the whānau for a swim and sausage sizzle and meet our kaiako (4:30pm – 6:00pm)

DUFFY BOOKS 2024

We have enrolled into a programme for 2024 that allows us to provide free books to our tamariki!

Your tamaiti has received their first order form / pamphlet to select books of their choice.

Books are graded according to age groups but children can choose any book from the brochure.

- Yellow – 5 to 6 years
- Blue – 7 to 8 years
- Purple – 9 to 10 years
- Green – 11 years up

Tamariki must select **FOUR** books each, they select their choice on the back of the order form. The students will receive 2 of the 4 choices only.

Order forms to be sent to the office – closing date – 8th Feb 2024 - this allows us to qualify for additional books for our library.

If orders haven't been placed, Whaea Di will select on behalf of tamariki (this is not ideal, however the goal is get books for our tamariki – please encourage all to return their forms).

Let's get excited about books & reading!!!

We look forward to working together to ensure that our tamariki are fulfilling their potential as individuals and as a whānau.

Nāku iti nei,

Whaea Barbara Hetaraka