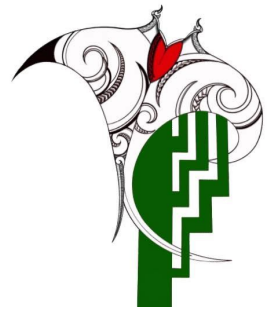


# Te Kura o Te Kauaeranga

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## Thames South School



PĀNUI - NEWSLETTER

**Rāmere 08 Mahuru 2023**

Kia ora e te whānau,

Our hukāpunga hikoi was a hit! Some of our tamariki absolutely smashed the success criteria whilst our pakeke (including me) were left at working between below and well below the expected level. If we get a chance to repeat this learning opportunity, know that we will get better!! A lot of learning which was a fun way for our tamariki to work together and with our kaiako and kaiāwhina. We received a glowing review from our accommodation host Matua Ian. He was impressed with how our tamariki carried themselves and showed manaakitanga towards each other and our whare.

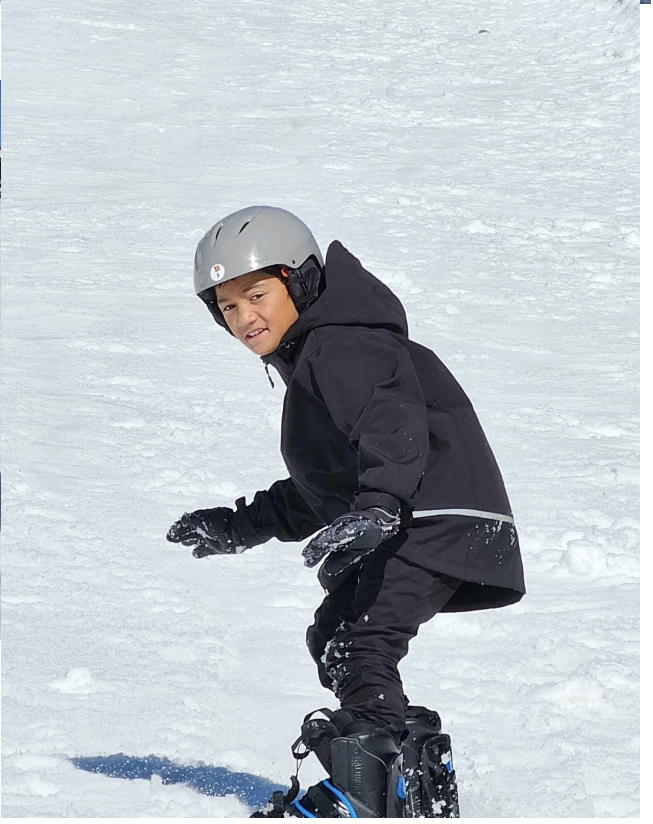
We are able to broaden the walls of our akomanga to include rich learning experiences like this because of the extra effort put into our sponsorship and raffle fundraiser.

Massive mihi to Whaea Di for all of the behind the scenes mahi put into both of our big hikoi this term; Te Hukāpunga and Te Whanaganui-ā-Tara. Our second hikoi is off next week!! Watch our facebook page for updates.

Next term, our paku are off to Snow Planet in Week 1 (Wednesday 11th October 2023 – please let kaiako know if you are able to tautoko with transport. We also have our whole school camp set from the 7th Nov – 9th Nov. This will be based at Tapu School. Thank you to the whānau that have stated their skillset they can share with our tamariki.

Kia ora rā,

Whaea Barbara





## ADMIN UPDATE

**School Wide Raffle** - time to get the sold tickets and payment to the office asap - alternatively, return the sold tickets and enter the \$\$ into the school account, Thames South School, 06-0457-0147387-00 (enter your child's name and raffle as a reference).

**School uniform** - can you please check that you have the correct uniform items and your child hasn't picked up someone else's sweatshirt / shirt / jacket. If you find you do have someone else's uniform, please return it to your child's classroom teacher asap so they can be returned to the rightful owner.

**Stationery** - do you still owe for your tamaiti's stationery for 2023? \$15 is due for the stationery they received on day one of the school year. You can pay at the office or through the school bank account.

Details: Thames South School

06-0457-0147387-00

Please enter your tamaiti's name and reference as stationery

**Pick up and drop off areas** - Our Grey Street entry will be open daily between 8:00am - 9:00am, and after school from 3:00pm - 3:15pm. Please consider this school entry point a drop-off and pick-up space for your tamaiti/ tamariki.

### Important Dates:

11th - 14th September - Te Whanaganui - ā - Tara Hikoi

15th September - School-wide Flower Show, viewing available from 12 p.m. - more details to follow

22nd September - Raffle Drawn

22nd September - end of term 3

### Lucky Book Club - issue 6 2023

Flyers have been sent home, please submit your orders as soon as possible to ensure your order is picked and dispatched to you before the end of term 3. Any queries? Contact the customer service team on 0800 266 525 or email [bookclub@scholastic.co.nz](mailto:bookclub@scholastic.co.nz). To order and manage your book club visit: [bookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://bookclub.scholastic.co.nz)

**Outcome of Santa Parade / Float Hui**, thank you to those who attended or put in their apologies for the hui to plan our 2023 float. We have booked the truck and the theme is set.

If you are able to assist in people power, donation of koha or materials please let Whaea Di or Whaea Lyn know in the office. The next hui is scheduled for Wednesday 20th September - 4.30 p.m.



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.

Kia ora whānau,

Our Spring flower show is approaching fast in week 9 on Friday 15th September from 12 o'clock. We are looking forward to sharing our creations with you all in our rooms. We have been busy celebrating the change of season to Spring.

These are the materials your child will need to create their Spring crafts on.....

**Thursday 14th September-**

A creature created from nature - pine and other cones, twigs, leaves, sticks, pebbles, shells..... any material that can be hot glue gunned together....

**Friday 15th September-**

Vaseline saucer- small flowers to use the petals to create a pattern on the saucer. School will provide the saucer and Vaseline

Miniature garden / scene - named flat tray with sides so that sand can be placed inside it. (square/ rectangular baking tin ideal). Flowers and small leafy material for trees, bushes and garden

Optional extras:

Small toys to decorate,

Pebbles/ shells for path\,

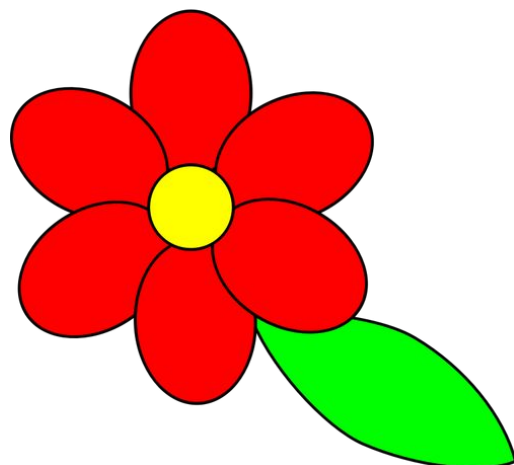
Mirror for water,

Please bring extra flowers that can be shared if you have a Spring abundance.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the flower show. We are excited to be sharing with you.

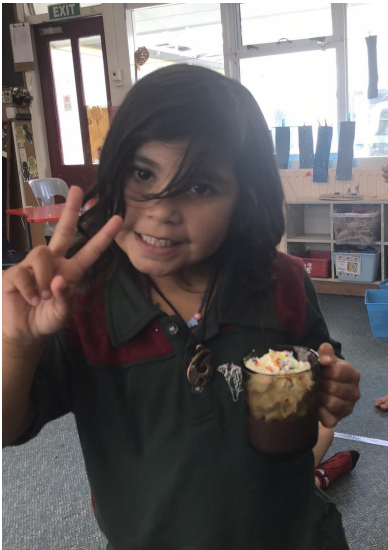
Ngā manaakitanga,

Te Kura o Te Kauaeranga Kaiako



# Kura Updates

## Te Kawenga & Te Awatea



Our little chefs have been busy whipping up some delicious treats this week using some basic cooking skills. I brought in some riwai for the tamariki to cut and season, transforming them into crispy roast riwai. Using some bread buns donated to the kura they also got to make their own cheesy garlic bread. After satisfying their taste buds with their own tunu kai they blended up some Grimace Berry Shakes as a special treat to quench their thirst. Our tamariki enjoyed every moment of our tunu kai lesson that they are planning what they are going to cook next.



*Kia kaha te kai, Kia mau te aroha, kia whakapau kaha te whanaungatanga.*

*Let the food be plentiful, let the heart be steadfast, and let the bonds of kinship grow stronger.*



# Kura Updates

## Te Haeata

Te Haeata have started their learning around the up and coming election. We kicked off our unit with an activity titled; “Who’s in Charge?” This saw the tamariki split into two groups, their task was to build a tower, every minute the leader changed. This activity lead to some awesome kōrero around working together, being the leader/boss, being told what to do and how that felt and how changing leaders all the time was either a positive or a negative.



# Kura Updates

## Te Amorangi / Te Hāpai Ō

We have been continuing our political studies, learning about parties, rules, voting and elections. Te Amorangi have created their own class parties with policies and are encouraging their peers to vote for them.

A large portion of Te Amorangi and Te Hāpai Ō will be heading off to Whanganui - ā - Tara next week, so it will be good to see politics in action.

He rangatira rangatahi mātau mō ngā rā kei tua. He kaipōti rangatahi mātau mō ngā rā kei te heke mai. We are leaders of the future. We are voters of the future.

Matua Michael Hart from Thames High School is coming to see us at our whare today. The focus will be meeting our year 8 students and gearing up for the transition to next year.







# Cricket Muster

**CALLING ALL JUNIOR CRICKET PLAYERS**

**SCHOOL YEARS 3-8**

**Come down to have a hit around and register for the summer season of Term 4 2023.**

**There will be Sport Inflatables and a special Cricket guest.**

**All kids are welcome new and returning players.**

**Date: 15th September**  
**Where: Rhodes Park, Thames**  
**At the Cricket nets down the back of the Soccer fields.**  
**Time: 4:30 - 6pm**



**THAMES  
Cricket Club**

**Register now:**

**<https://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/01e3ca-9fcaa95b>**