

Respect, Responsibility, Aroha, Self-discipline, Honesty

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Nga mihi te whānau



YAY! Tomorrow is a celebration day for Matariki!

Be sure to get out there with your tamariki (children) and whānau (family) to enjoy this momentous occasion.

In Māori culture, Matariki is both the name of the Pleiades star cluster and of the celebration of its first rising in late June or early July. This marks the beginning of the new year in the Māori lunar calendar.

Matariki is seen as an important time to celebrate the earth, and show respect for the land on which we live.

Here are some things you may like to do:

- Visit an exhibition or display about Matariki
- Spend time with family and friends, have a hangi, feast, picnic or BBQ
- Go to the beach, park or walk a track enjoy the outdoors
- Learn about your whakapapa (family genealogy)
- Plant some new trees or shrubs
- Do some arts or crafts
- Share myths and legends
- Learn about Matariki (astronomy), there are plenty of places online.

ENJOY YOUR DAY APOPO (TOMORROW) EVERYONE.

Congratulations to our Intermediate Netball Team - Taimana.

They won their first game last week. 12 - 11 against Tirohia's Super Netters.

Great job: Zaria, Ardavae, Sylvee, Ruby, Makayla, Stella, Naydene, Paige and Jayriss. Well done coaches: Destiny and Amber.

A reminder that I have an open door policy and would love to meet you when you get a chance, to hear about your hopes and dreams for your child/ren.



Nga mihi nui Whaea Debs Tumuaki

COMING EVENTS

<u>June—Pipiri</u>

Matariki Public Holiday—NO SCHOOL

July-Hongongoi

6th-7th 7th 8th

24th

Parent/Teacher Conferences Last day of School for Students Teacher Only Day—NO SCHOOL End of Term 2—School Holidays Next week onwards we are introducing a new system to make it more seemless when a child is late for school. Your child will need to sign in at the office and receive a late pass. Then they can pass it on to the class teacher. If your child goes straight to their classroom without signing in at the office, they will be sent there to sign in and get their late pass. This will prevent unecessary messages to parents asking why their child is absent, when they arrived late, but are at school.

Miller Avenue LATE pass



"Morena, I'm here today!"

Zero Waste Warriors—Tupuānuku (Rm 6)



We have had so much fun learning about composting with Whaea Lenny. We learnt about the importance of worms, and how they can help us reduce a lot of landfill waste, because they can eat certain leftovers. We inspected the MAS worm farms, and decided to give them some love and care.

Worms are very cool! They produce wonderful "tea" for our plants to drink, which will help them grow. We even got to make our own worm farms and take them home. If you'd like to learn more about composting and worm farms, please ask us because we're



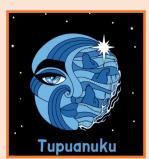














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Skool Loop App: Simple free download: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

Westpac Bank Account: 03-1572-0010292-00 (Please put in payment details and your child's name)

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES 6TH & 7TH JULY

On the 6th & 7th July Parent/Teacher conferences will be taking place at school. Conferences will be 15 minutes long and you can book on our school loop app, please see a "how to" guide below. Students are encouraged to attend.



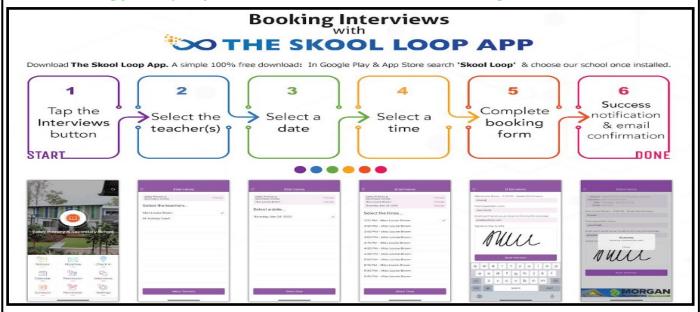
Conferences will run from 2.00pm until 5.00pm on Wednesday 6th

July and 2.00pm until 6.00pm on Thursday 7th July. School will finish at 1.30pm on these days.

We strongly encourage parents with one or more siblings to book in early to enable you to have time slots together.

Your child's report will be given to you at the conference. If you cannot attend on these days reports will be sent home with your child on Friday 8th July.

Teachers are so excited to be meeting with parents soon regarding their amazing children's learning journey so far. Please book a time and come along to korero with us!



SCHOOL PHOTOS

Photo codes have been emailed out to parents/caregivers to enable you to view and order your child's school photo. If you have not received a code by email please contact us so we can give it to you.

NETBALL FEES ARE NOW DUE

Netball fees are now due for payment. Please ensure you make payment either by eftpos/cash at the school office or pay online into our school bank account: 03-1572-0010292-00 (Please put in payment details and your child's name). Statements have been emailed to parents and sent home with students today. Fees are as follows:

Mini Ferns \$20.00 pp Intermediate (Taimana) \$50.00 pp Fun Ferns \$20.00 pp Senior (Nga Whetu) \$50.00 pp

We would appreciate your prompt payment. Thank you.



PUBLIC NOTICES

Our Council is thinking about developing new aquatic and sports field/ outdoor facilities in the Thames area and we would like your feedback.

We are conducting a survey that asks questions about your use of and opinions about the facilities. It will help our Council to decide what is needed in the future.

To complete the survey, go to www.tcdc.govt.nz and click on this image which moves across the top of the main page.

Complete the survey by 30 June and enter a draw for one of 10 family passes to Thames Centennial Pool.



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