

## Respect, Responsibility, Aroha, Self-discipline, Honesty

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#### 17th November 2022

Nga mihi te whānau,

It was an interesting week of dress ups and costumes for SPIRIT week. Thank you parents for your support with this, the student council have raised a further \$91.90.

A reminder that tomorrow is our TOD (Teacher Only Day) on Friday 18th November.

Our community constable Tash Snowdon will be at school for some of the KOS sessions next week.



Yesterday we had a team of 16 students attend the Ohinemuri Athletics Day with Whaea Liz and support staff. We are proud to announce that 4 of those students will be representing MAS next Tuesday at the Thames Valley Athletics Tournament: from Matariki -Rm 4: Dante, Declan and Kauri and from Tupuārangi-Rm 5: Shyllah. Well done to all. Please go to our facebook page—Miller Avenue School to view some photos from the day.

PS: Principal acknowledgement: Cora - for completing his penguin poster with interesting facts and a great illustration, well done for showing perseverance Cora.

Also, I would like to acknowledge Carbon for being brave and doing what is right, even when others around him are not. That is very brave and shows the BEST way! Both boys are in Tupuārangi - Rm 5.

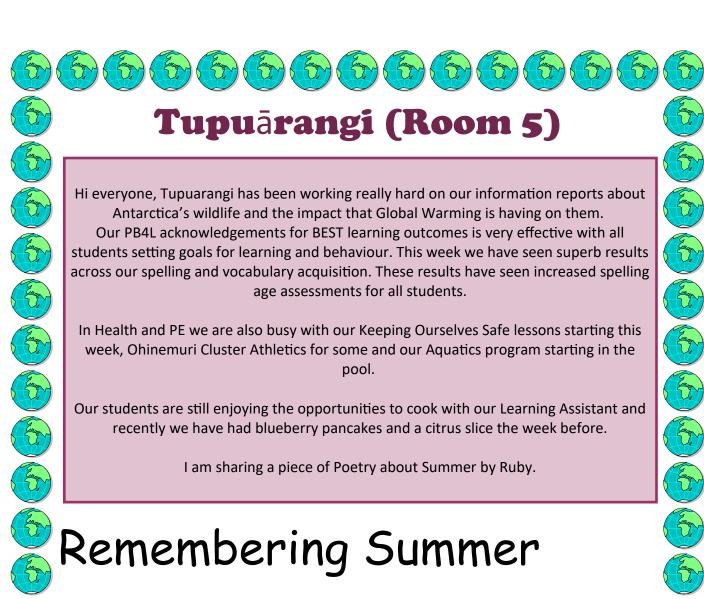
Nga mihi nui Whaea Debs Tumuaki

# COMING EVENTS November—Whiringa-ā-rangi 18th TEACHER ONLY DAY—NO SCHOOL THIS DAY 22nd Thames Valley Athletics 23rd Year 8 Leaders Day December—Hakihea 7th Board Meeting 6.00pm STEM Room 15th Whole School Prizegiving—1-3pm 16th Last Day of Term 4—School Finishes at 12.00pm this day

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

A very happy birthday to *Ardavae* who celebrated her birthday recently.

We hope you had a great day!



students setting goals for learning and behaviour. This week we have seen superb results across our spelling and vocabulary acquisition. These results have seen increased spelling

age assessments for all students.

In Health and PE we are also busy with our Keeping Ourselves Safe lessons starting this week, Ohinemuri Cluster Athletics for some and our Aquatics program starting in the loog.

Our students are still enjoying the opportunities to cook with our Learning Assistant and recently we have had blueberry pancakes and a citrus slice the week before.

I am sharing a piece of Poetry about Summer by Ruby.

# Remembering Summer

On cold Winter days.... My feet remember the scorching heat of stones,

My legs remember the cold water of the pools,

My body remembers the long soft grass to nap on,

My arms remember stretching across my cold bed sleepily,

My hands remember the sticky juice from the ripe oranges high up

the tree,

My face remembers the cool winds from an evening run,

My mind remembers that Summer will be back again soon.

# By Ruby

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#### M.A.S BEST values are:

**B**— Brave

E— Engaged

S— Sensible

T— Thinking

#### Welcome to this week's PB4L message:

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The school has settled on our 'Simply the BEST' motto, with BEST being our acronym. This encompasses the values of Brave, Engaged, Sensible and Thinking to help guide our journey.

This week we have a focus on being 'Brave and Engaged' and how that impacts on our behaviour and learning. We have also started to look at lessons that are aimed to teach our Tamariki the desired behaviours around the use of School Transport and Movement around School.

Our new acknowledgement token is in use this term. Tamariki are required to get 10 acknowledgements of positive behaviour and are then able to choose from an acknowledgement choices board.

Many students have redeemed their acknowledgement tokens this week, Milo and ice blocks are the most favoured choices so far.

WOW here is an updated version of the House Point Tally for the term so far.

The winning house will have a special lunch in week 8 of this term. Regards Whaea Jane

PB4L Team leader.

#### This Week's PB4L Token Winners:

Totara: Alfie, Nelly & Ihaia Rimu: Mackenzie, Taylor, Paige Kowhai: Torino, Alexis, Jackson BW Kauri: Shyllah, Tangaroa, Dayton

#### **SWIMMING AT SCHOOL**

All classes started swimming at school last week. Please ensure your child has their swimming togs and a towel in their bag each day. If your child is unable to swim please send a note along to their teacher explaining the reason why.

**House Points** 

Rimu: 1065 (Winners)

Totara: 1005

Kowhai: 813 Kauri: 819

#### **PRIZEGIVING**

This year we will be holding a whole school prizegiving on Thursday 15th December in our school hall from 1.00pm to 3.00pm. Please come along to celebrate with us and our tamariki.

#### **SUNHATS**

We have a lot of children not wearing a hat during break times. Please ensure your child has a sunhat to

enable them to play outside. Students not wearing a hat will be directed to play under the shade.

#### **PAEROA COLLEGE ENROLMENTS**

If your child will be attending Paeroa College next year enrolment forms will need to be in by 1 December 2022, to guarantee they can start on 7 February 2023.

If you have any questions please contact Paeroa College on 07 862 7579.

#### **MAS LIBRARY BOOKS**

Please check at home, under beds, in school bags for any of our school library books. These need to be returned to school by **21st November** to enable Mrs McMillan to carry out a library stocktake.

#### **SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**

Students have been given the final scholastic catalogue for this year. If you wish to make an order please have orders in no later than *Friday 25th November*. A good opportunity to buy Christmas presents for your tamariki!



#### **Whakatauk**ī

Ko te ahurei o te tamaiti aroha o tātou mahi

Let uniqueness of the child guide our work

## WANTED

Magazines, cardboard tubes, old art & craft items

If you have any of these at home please bring to the school office.

# **PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### THAMES HAURAKI BALLET THEATRE CONCERT 2022

With Attitude NZ School of Dance

We are delighted to present entertainment for all the family:

"Beatrix Potter", "Tchaikovsky Suite", plus Jazz and Contemporary items

Venue: Thames Memorial Civic Centre

Dates & Time: Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November – 6pm shows

Cost: Adults \$24, Child/Seniors/Students \$12

Bookings: @ TryBooking.co.nz Also Door Sales and QR code attached

Information: Ph 027 242 8896



After 22 years of directing Thames Hauraki Ballet Theatre, Pauline Germon (Mrs G) will be handing over the ownership of the school to Sarah Fitzsimons in 2023. Sarah is a highly accomplished ballet teacher. She danced with the Royal Ballet, London, completed her teacher training at the Australian Ballet School and has taught at the NZ School of Dance for 20 years. We are delighted to have her take THBT onwards.

# Aquatic provision project and Thames Sports Partnership Project

Recently, Thames-Coromandel District Council adopted the i) Thames and Wider Sub-Region Aquatic Provision Needs Assessment and the ii) Thames Sports Facilities Needs Assessment.

Below is a link to an update on our website, for these two projects.

https://www.tcdc.govt.nz/Your-Council/Council-Projects/Current-Projects/Thames-Sports-and-Aquatic-Facilities-upgrade/

The needs assessment reports for each project can be opened on the above webpage by clicking on the following documents, which are on the right side of the webpage.

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# **Miller Avenue School**

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