



Preparing learning packs and care packages at lockdown



PRINCIPAL'S PANUI

Kia ora koutou katoa,

It has certainly been an interesting and challenging term for us all. Out of all the disruption of Covid-19 has come some good things for us as a school. Firstly, I would like to acknowledge our wonderful team of teachers and support staff here at MAS. When we entered lockdown, they worked incredibly hard to get learning packs out to all our students and to set up class messenger groups and google classrooms so that our students could access their learning from home. What also came out of that was a closer learning-focused relationship with our school whānau that we really hope to nurture and grow as we move forward.

We also worked with the Connected Murupara programme to ensure that every family had an internet connection and delivered devices to every family who needed one. We used the school resources to do this with some support from the Ministry but I hope that it made learning from home a little easier. All devices should now be back in school so that they can be used in the learning programmes but I hope that the internet connections will benefit our community for years to come.

Our new taura whakamura day is part of the proposed changes here at Murupara Area School, to underpin our kaupapa of working together to support the learning of our taura. These collaborative student-led conferences were successful thanks to the wonderful engagement from whānau and students. I so appreciated this. 148 conferences were held. 46% of Nīoreore (35) parents/caregivers attended, 61% (55) from Kārangaranga, and 66% (58) from Rangipō. Thank you to everyone who made this a success. You can read some of the feedback we received on the next page but I really want to thank everyone for making these a success. We will be working to make these even better in Term 3 and to incorporate feedback on how to best report your child's academic results to go alongside these conferences.

Have a relaxing and enjoyable holiday and see you all in two weeks.

Noho ora mai

KEY DATES

July

- 6 – 17 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
- 20 FIRST DAY OF TERM 3
- 27-31 Service Academy Leadership course
- 29 BOT Meeting

IMPORTANT PARENT NOTICES

- Please ring or come into the school office if you have any contact details that need to be updated (addresses or contact numbers) thank you.

Niorea News

Niorea have established a bricks club made up of 4 groups of 3 tamariki. Two groups meet on Monday and Wednesday and the other two groups on Tuesday and Thursday. The brick club is designed so all 3 tamariki have their own specific jobs to do.

1) Supplier 2) Manager 3) Builder
The focus for the bricks club is to promote engagement, participation and improvement of social and language skills, whilst promoting all aspects of our School Uara (values). Ngā mihi to our Bricks Club Tutor Whaea Rosana!

Pictured below Tailor Jae, Joseph Rutene and Titus Beamsley.



Ngā mihi nui ki ngā whanau o Niorea. Awesome turn out of whānau and tamariki who attended our Tauria Whakamura – learning conversations.



Congratulations to the winners of the whanau draw for the Tauria Whakamura Conferences below.. Niorea- Beamsley Whanau Karangaranga-Tule-Morgan Whanau



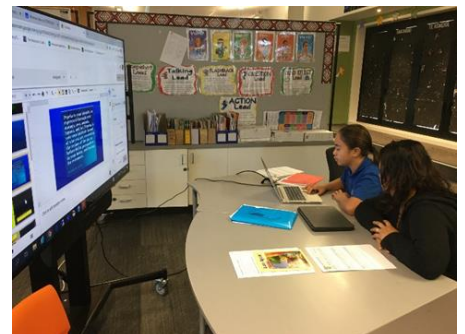
Karangaranga News

Ngā mihi ki ngā whānau whānui o Karangaranga. What a great turnout of parents for our Tauria Whakamura- Learning conversations. We appreciate your honest feedback from EPortfolio reporting and will collectively be discussing our next learning steps.

He mihi tino nui ki a koutou ngā Tamariki! You guys worked exceptionally hard to get your mahi into your EPortfolio's. With every learning conversation your confidence and ability to articulate your learning, from explaining what WALTs and Success Criteria was nothing but positive.



Here are a few pictures and comments made from some of our whānau who attended..



Quote from a Māmā – “My parent interview (conference) today for Whenua and Butler Toko was cool, different but cool, I enjoyed it and look forward to the next one...I'd rather come to something like this because I just don't understand some student reports.”



Quote from a Parent – Hiria... “Never heard or seen my son so confident sharing his learning. Great to see and hear how they read, write and then to explain

what they do and how they do it. Good to know what WALT's mean and the success criteria. Love e-portfolios."

"Kia Ora so we came in to Kura today for the student lead conversations, re EPortfolio's, we found it really awesome that our tamariki presented it to us, and the most amazing part was that our tamariki really enjoyed presenting it to us and seeing how proud they were of their mahi was the highlight of my day. I would love to thank all the teachers involved in making sure my tamariki reach their potential, we as their parents appreciate everything you do." -From Charlotte

Ngā mihi to Whaea Jana for helping us with our headings for our matariki display, and achievement awards in Karangaranga. You rock!



Nā Matua Justin, Matua Muriwai, Whaea Kohine, Whaea Jo

Rangipo News

Kia Ora whanau! This term we have been celebrating student achievement in all subject areas – it is so great to see all students who have returned to classes and settling back into their work with a positive attitude that has positive results in achievement both in units and achievement standards. All students Y11-13 NCEA are working slowly and at a steady pace.

Attendance for all that have returned to school, Congratulations to students who are attending every day!

This is our third week back in the Basketball Competition in Rotorua. Thank you, whānau, for supporting the teams each Thursday and we greatly appreciate players and parents who have dedicated their time and energy to training and games. Huge thank you to coaches and drivers, without you all this sport would not be able to run smoothly.



Rangipo's YR 9-13 Taura Whakamura conferences. Thank you to all whanau and tamariki who joined us today, awesome turn out of our stakeholders. For those who were not here see you at the home visits.



Ngā mihi nui,
Ngā Kaiako o Rangipo