



Nioreore attending Karamuramu celebrations and enjoying welcome back Breakfast

Kia ora koutou katoa,

Welcome back to Term 2. The year is now well underway and for our senior students, working towards their NCEA certificates, academic achievement is first and foremost. Take the time to talk to your rangatahi about how they are going with their learning and assessments. They should have completed at least one achievement standard in every subject by now. You should check out the academic progress on the parent portal.

School is also about all the wider cultural and sporting opportunities and we have heaps on offer at Murupara Area School. Winter sports have now kicked off so well done to our basketball and netball teams who got off to a great start to the season last week. Thanks to the staff and whānau who coach these teams, we could not offer this without you. If you would like to offer your support don't hesitate to contact Lydia at the front desk and she will team you up with the right person for the area you are interested in. You will see from the key dates what a busy and productive term we have coming up.

I want to acknowledge Tanetiki Takuira, our sports coordinator and all the work he has put into his role to increase the sporting opportunities for all our tamariki. I am really sad to have to let you know he is leaving us to take up a role with Te Ara Tika. Keep an eye out for his position to be advertised and consider applying if it sounds like something you would love to do. Working with our tamariki and growing sporting opportunities at MAS is a richly rewarding role.

Dr Angela Sharples Principal

Keeping Our Tamariki On Track

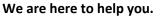
Whether your child shows up for school every day has a huge impact on your child's academic success at school and on into the workplace. Supporting their attendance is one of the most important things you can do to help them succeed. Even as our Tamariki grow older and more independent, whānau play a key role in making sure their tamariki get to school safely every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school. Attendance is a crucial life skill that will teach your child the importance of sticking to something and sets good habits for success in school and the workplace.

What Parents Can Do To Help

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day, make that the expectation.
- Limit the amount of gaming time, consider turning off the wifi after 10pm.
- Encourage meaningful afterschool activities, including sports and clubs and encourage your child to get involved in all the great opportunities we have at MAS.
- Help your child maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework, getting a good night 'sleep and getting out of bed at a set time.

What We Can Do Together

- Know the school's attendance policy incentives and penalties.
- Log in to the Parent Portal and check your child's attendance to be sure absences are not piling up.
- Talk to our Attendance Officer or Mentor if you notice sudden changes in attendance or behaviour.
- Ask for help from school if you find it hard to get your child to attend and we will work with you.





<u>KEY DATES</u>

School Term Dates 2021

 $\begin{array}{rl} \mbox{Term 1} & 2^{nd} \mbox{Feb} - 16^{th} \mbox{ April} \\ \mbox{Term 2} & 3^{rd} \mbox{ May} - 9^{th} \mbox{ July} \\ \mbox{Term 3} & 26^{th} \mbox{ July} - 1^{st} \mbox{ Oct} \\ \mbox{Term 4} & 18^{th} \mbox{ Oct} - 10 \mbox{ Dec} \end{array}$

IMPORTANT EVENTS

Mon 10 May – ADV Climbing Assesment at The Wall Tues 11 May - Whip, Rip and Grip event at Waipa Yr 4-8 Tues 11 May- Rangipō Careers Trip Wed 12 May – ADV Climbing Assesment at The Wall Fri 14 May – Golf Tee Off Tues 18 May - Teacher only day Tues 18 May – ADV Climbing Assesment at The Wall Tues 18 May – Voting Closes Wed 19 May – ADV Assesment **Climbing at The Wall** Fri 21 May – Pink Shirt Day Mon 24 May – Scholastic Book Fair Fri 28 May - Gumboot Friday Fri 4 June – Nīoreore Track-a-Thon Mon 7 June - Queens Birthday

Don't forget you can look at the key dates and your child's attendance, NCEA achievement, and reports through the KAMAR Parent Portal. Ring the office if you aren't sure how to do this and they will help you get started. If you are using the app, enter <u>kamar.mas.school.nz</u> in the portal address box.

Nioreore News

Mauri ora e te whānau and welcome to term 2! Nīoreore is excited to be back and have a number of kaupapa to look forward to during the coming weeks. Our overarching topic for this term is Reduce, Reuse and Recycle with a bit of Matariki flavour added in. We hope to up the anti on our hands on learning approach and we hope that you can come in and share your skills and knowledge with your tamariki and their friends. Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa.

> Na Whaea Miriama Iti-White Nīoreore hub leader

Start of Term Breakfast

The first day back at Term for Nioreore Hub was a yummy breakfast! Porridge and baked beans on toast with awesome conversations had around the kids holidays. A great way to start the term with tuakana and taina sitting together. Thanks Whaea Jamie and Matua Jay-Dee for all your help and of course the awesome Whaea Audrey and Whaea Rosana. Ka mau te wehi!!



Karamuramu 10th Anniversary

By Whaea Marie Greenhalgh

What a beautiful day we had at the 10th anniversary of Karamuramu Kindergarten. Whaea Audrey and I took our new entrant class. Maia and Henry presented our gift of two fruit trees. Our children and all the children from many other kura and kohanga were perfectly behaved and it was a joy to be in such a beautiful environment. The plaque in memory of Whaea Audrey's brother Frank was also placed on his garden in memory of this great man who made a huge contribution to this Kindergarten from its inception some 30 years ago. We were honoured to be there. The hakari for the children – a huge grazing table – bought looks of amazement as they gathered around. The hangi prepared by Ish and his helpers could not have been more delicious. Audrey and I were very reluctant to leave as were the children. Thank you so much the WHANAU of Karamuramu from us all.



Karangaranga News

A few weeks ago, Karangaranga leaders were nominated and voted by kaiako at our school. They have been taking their responsibilities and roles in our hub seriously like organising and leading our assemblies, leading karakia, sorting minor conflicts in our playground, attending meetings, providing lunchtime activities for our students etc. They will be involved in a leadership programme led by Bay of Plenty Sport from next term onwards.

The following students are our new leaders: (Year 7) - Grayson Te Aho, Che'Vorn Delamere, Jerry Grace (Year 8) Manaia Hanuera-Gavigan, Leona Pouwhare-Adams (Year 9) Leon Stilwell-Nepson (Year 10) Tyshawn Delamere, Edward Joseph Te Aho, Ronnie Herewini, Leah Sneddon, Kristopha Robinson and Marunui Ruri-Poumako. Congratulations to these students who have obviously shown great leadership potential.

We have employed a few students in our hub in certain roles. We have four **journalists**, who will capture significant moments/highlights from this year and write articles for our facebook page and newsletters. These students are: Kayleigh (Year 9), Taryn (Year 8), Satriani (Year 8), Shazayviah (Year 8) and Rangi (Year 8). Our photographers are: Punky (Year 9), and Meheyla (Year 9).

We also have employed some Sports Coordinators who have been busy organising lunchtime activities for our tamariki. These students are: Cruz (Year 8), Kenana (Year 8), EJ (Year 10), Marunui (Year 10), Tyson (Year 8), Skylark (Year 8), Leona (Year 8), Tyshawn (Year 10), Tamati (Year 11). Another important role identified which targets our artistic students, is to create our display areas. I have employed some artists to set up display areas for our "Wall of fame" and some of our mantras like "Ko au ko koe, Ko koe ko au" "Treat others as you want to be treated yourself." Your children are told "Do the mahi, get the treats." They may not get paid in monetary ways, but they will definitely be acknowledged and rewarded at the end of each term.

Rock climbing. Written by Year 8 Student Taryn Poi

On Monday the 29th of March, a group of students from Karangaranga were given the opportunity to participate in mountain biking with Julie Tumarae and the police, these students were: Tyshawn Delamere, Kristopha Robinson, Leona Pouwhare-Adams, Ford Edwards, Daniel Te Aho, Whenua Toko, Tangata Toko, Te Raukura Ranui Tai and Jayziah Hanuera. Unfortunately, due to the weather conditions students were advised to do rock climbing rather than mountain biking. At 11:15 the students were reserved to The Wall and Basement Cinema placed at Rotorua, Hinemoa street.

The wall is almost 20m at its highest point with 56 different climbs, 28 lead climbs which 2 partners are needed. The climber has to take the lead while the belayer manages the rope of the climber at ground level. 26 top ropes, which the climber is attached securely to a rope that passes through an anchor that is at the top of the climb and then passes down to a belay device. Including a caving ladder that is 17m high.

Scott, (the owner of The Wall and Basement Cinema), Mark and Simon (employees), demonstrated how to use the equipment, and explained the safety rules. Firstly, Simon used Tyshawn as an example, teaching the students how to attach the ropes to the carabiners, also teaching the students

to the carabiners, also teaching the students when belying to tow the rope down gently while the climber is climbing so the rope does not get loose.

The students really enjoyed themselves. They had a very great time; a few students went on the top ropes while the others stayed on the lead ropes some even climbed blindfolded. A few even challenged themselves by going into the enclosed climbs, and also the caving ladder. Every student's first climb wasn't really a problem but going down was a bit of a struggle, when the students had to abseil, it was very fearful, just because of the fear of falling but soon they began to feel more confident and unafraid.

Time went fast once it was time to go back to school kids were overworked and drained. But it really was a terrific day, students came back to school resolving how great their day was and how fun the experience had been.

Rangipō News

We are glad to be back at school and look forward to the busy term ahead. So far, we have settled on some hub events as follows:

Careers Expo to be held at the Events Centre in Rotorua Tuesday 11th May 2021. Years 11 - 13 will travel by bus to the venue and take 2 - 3 hours to browse the many stalls. Students will be able to talk with representatives from Primary Industries (farming etc), Defence Forces, Manufacturing Sector, Service Industries and many more. This is an important day for our students so please support them to attend.

Wednesday Rangipo will lead the first Hui a Kura.

Next week we have 5 senior leaders who will attend a Defence Force leaders camp. We congratulate these awesome representatives of our school and community. Shneill Bonnar, Christopher Taulago O'Brien, Rico Cairns, Zevania Mead, Legend Moses. They will be at Ohakea Air Base along with students from other academies from our region. Ka mau te wehi!!!

We are focussing on Whanaungatanga this term and are therefore promoting as many activities and opportunities to complete daily activities as a whanau.

You are more than welcome to join us to participate and or support us as we have an open-door policy and welcome your support of your tamaiti. Nau mai hoki mai mātua ma.

Na Whaea Teri Teddy



I AM HOPE GUMBOOT FRIDAY 28th May



A fun way to raise money for kids' mental health

Having depression is like walking through mud every day. So every year, we ask you to show your support, put your gumboots on, give a gold coin, and take a walk in their shoes for just one day.

It's a fun way for kiwis to join in the mental health conversation, while raising money to provide FREE and timely counselling for any young person in need.

New Zealand's mental health challenge

Last year in New Zealand 175 young people died by suicide and it is estimated another 3500 attempted to take their own lives. While Government agencies are doing their best some young people are stuck waiting up to six months to receive the counselling they so urgently need.

How much of my donation goes to YOUNG PEOPLE?

100% of donations deposited by you into the Kiwibank Gumboot Friday account goes to counselling for young people by registered mental health practitioners. This is so your money goes directly where it is needed: to young people getting the help and support they need, when they need it most.

<u>Ka ora, Ka ako – Healthy Lunch in Schools</u> <u>Programme</u>

Just a friendly reminder whānau, that if any surplus lunches come home to follow these safety guidelines so everyone stays safe:

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Murupara Area School commits to ensuring the wellbeing and safety of students, staff and others receiving surplus school lunches through the Ka Ora, Ka Ako | Healthy School Lunches programme.

Also, if your child has a food allergy or special dietary requirements it would be advisable to let the school know. Currently, the Ka Ora, Ka Ako programme is working to cater to every dietary need, but extreme cases may not be able to be catered for and parents are advised to continue to provide lunch from home.

Board Elections

REMINDER

All voting papers to be returned to the Office by Tuesday 18th May 2021 by 12pm.

SPORTS RESULTS

NETBALL

Netball has started for the year with grading. There is a Yr 8/9 team this year and they play Wednesday Nights at the Rotorua Netball Centre. The team is: Bubba-Dee Te Paea Lefoe, Manaia Gavigan, Manaia Te Paea Le Foe, Te Whetu Hillman, Tanira Cairns, Leona Pouwhare, Skylark Maher and Meheyla Delamere and Punky Mulder.



BASKETBALL

This year we have 4 Basketball teams. Senior Boys, Senior Girls, Yr 9/10 Boys and Yr 7/8 Boys.

Results for this week:

 Senior Boys vs Ruamata 28 Loss



- Player of the Day: Legend Moses
- Senior Girls vs Rongomai 22-20 win

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- Player of the day: Mikayla Lowery
- Year 7/8 Boys vs R.I Manu 34-11 win
- Year 9/10 Boys had a Bye.

The draw for the week is available from Tuesday Nights from the Rotorua Basketball Association website.

Also, All **permission slips** need to be handed back **ASAP!** With both pages to be signed by Parents/Caregivers. Thank you.