

NEWSLETTER WEEK 9, TERM 1, 2022



SERVICE ACADEMY BUSH TRIP

Kia ora koutou katoa,

By now, whanau should have received a 'settling in' report for their child. This report gives you an idea of how your taura has started their year at Murupara Area School. If you have not received your report please contact the school and we will re issue the report.

We are also really worried about the number of children who have not returned to school and the negative effect COVID disruption is having on the learning of our taura. We want to support the community as much as possible so we have decided to have a 'What's up whānau?' event next week. On Tuesday and Wednesday between 3pm and 5pm staff will meet with the whānau of every child in their homeroom or learning advisory. This meeting may be by phone, online hui, or kanohi ki te kanohi. Teachers have already started contacting whanau to figure out a time and contact method that best suits. This is an important meeting so we can talk about your child's learning and especially their engagement after yet another COVID disruption. What can the teacher, student, whānau, and school do to support your child? What is important - what's up - for your child and your whānau? How will we work together?

A further important issue that we wish to bring to the attention of the whanau is that taura should not be engaged in paid work or enrolled in other institutions during school hours. This is not called 'work experience' as some have been claiming it to be. Anything of this nature can be clarified with Deputy Principal Mrs Kura Hingston and myself as Principal. However, the school through the Ministry of Education has processes in place whereby taura can apply for trades or Gateway placements to further their interest in an appropriate careers pathway. Mrs Teri Teddy is in charge of this area and she is more than willing to meet and discuss this with you.

The latest figures for COVID cases in the Murupara district show that we have probably hit our peak and cases are declining so lets get the focus back on the learning and the future pathways of our tamariki and rangatahi.

We want Murupara Area school to be a centre of excellence for your child and a place that you are proud to call 'your school'.

Hei konā mai
Dr Angela Sharples
Principal

IMPORTANT INFO

School Term Dates 2022

Term 1 1st Feb – 14th April

Term 2 2nd May – 8th July

Term 3 25th July – 30th Sep

Term 4 17th Oct – 9th Dec

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 12th - April 13th -
Karangaranga Trip

Term 2, Week 2 - Service Academy
Basic Leaders, Ohakea

Term 2, Week 7 - Service Academy
Bush Craft, Minginui

Thursday 14th April - Senior
Athletics

April 5th - 6th - Parent/Teacher
Meetings

PH: 07 3665 602

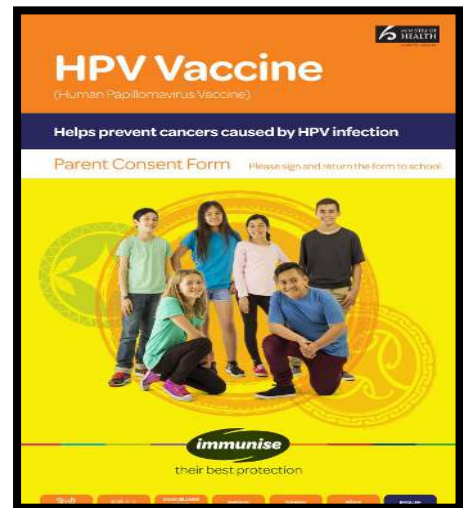
EMAIL: office@mas.school.nz

Please contact us with any
enquiries and if your child will
be absent.

OFFICE NOTICEBOARD

Kia ora everyone. A few important pānui from us here at the office:

- Whānau, we need up to date contact details for caregivers and emergency contacts, we are unable to reach a majority of you. If you have changed your phones or emails recently or moved give us a call at the office 07 3665 602 and update them please.
- If you or your child has tested positive for COVID 19 or has become a household contact please call and inform the school.
- Our school gates will be locked between 9:00am and 3:15pm.
- The Dental Mobile Clinic is here till the 14th of April if you would like a booking for any of your kids (preschool also) call them on 0800 TALK TEETH.
- Can the Year 8 HPV Consent Forms please be returned as soon as possible, if you need one they are in the school office.



Tēnā koutou katoa,



I am Jessika and I am the new public health nurse for the Kura. I am employed by Community Health for Kids. I will be writing a short blurb in the fortnightly newsletter to keep whanau informed about the latest updates in healthcare.

My role is to support our tamariki and whanau in the kura to ensure all their health needs are being met. I am wanting to work alongside whanau to support them in the best way that suits their needs, advocating for them in the health sector.

There has been some confusion on whether it is safe for students to come to school during the covid-19 pandemic. Te Tahuu o te Matauranga (The ministry of education) has deemed that it is recommended to come to school for most students. There are some students who may have special consideration to do home learning during this time and that is if the student or a

whanau member is at higher risk. It is best to talk to your GP when making this decision. Schools follow strict guidelines to ensure the spread of covid-19 is kept to a minimum. Regular hand washing, mask wearing, and physical distancing should still be practiced when applicable outside of school as covid-19 is prevalent in the community.

We have had a separate health warning regarding measles epidemics in 10 countries in the world. As New Zealand is opening its borders shortly, health experts are predicting a measles outbreak in New Zealand this year. As covid has interfered with other appointments and things have slipped through the cracks, this is just a friendly reminder to parents to get their children immunised against measles, if they are due to do so.

Nga Mihi,

Jessika Saunders

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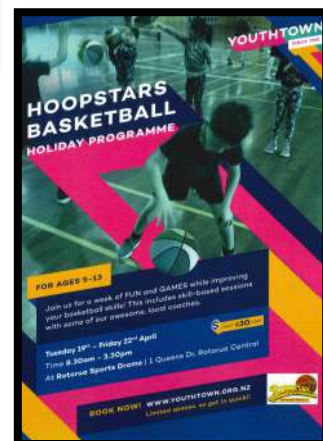
SPORTS NOTICEBOARD



Attention All Basketballers!

Our season is starting in Term 2! Students and coaches are meeting this week to confirm training times and confirmation of players. The wonderful news is that you no longer have to be double vaccinated to play. I am pleased to announce that I will continue to coach this years basketball, at present we have 1 Senior Boys Basketball Team, 1 Juniors Boys Team(YR9-10) and a YR 7-8 Boys Basketball Team and a big ups to Matua Tanetiki who will be their coach for this season. Big shout out to anyone who is interested in becoming a permanent driver for us, yet to confirm dates and times. Lastly students who ordered Basketball Hoodies and T-shirts from last year have yet to pay for and collect.

Whaea Pam



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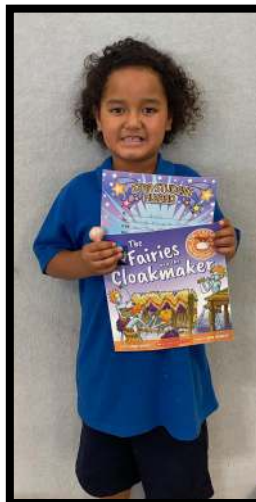
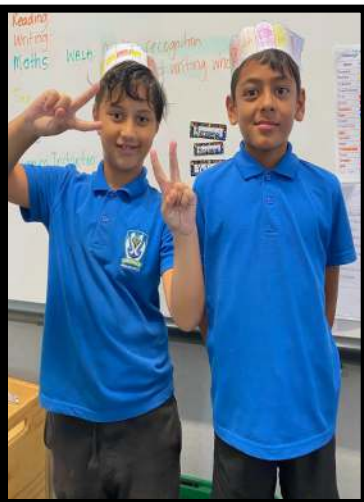
The last four weeks in our class we have been setting our learning and uara goals for the term. Our tamariki have reflected on their previous year and are aware of some goals that they would like to achieve such as, coming to school everyday, being prepared for learning each

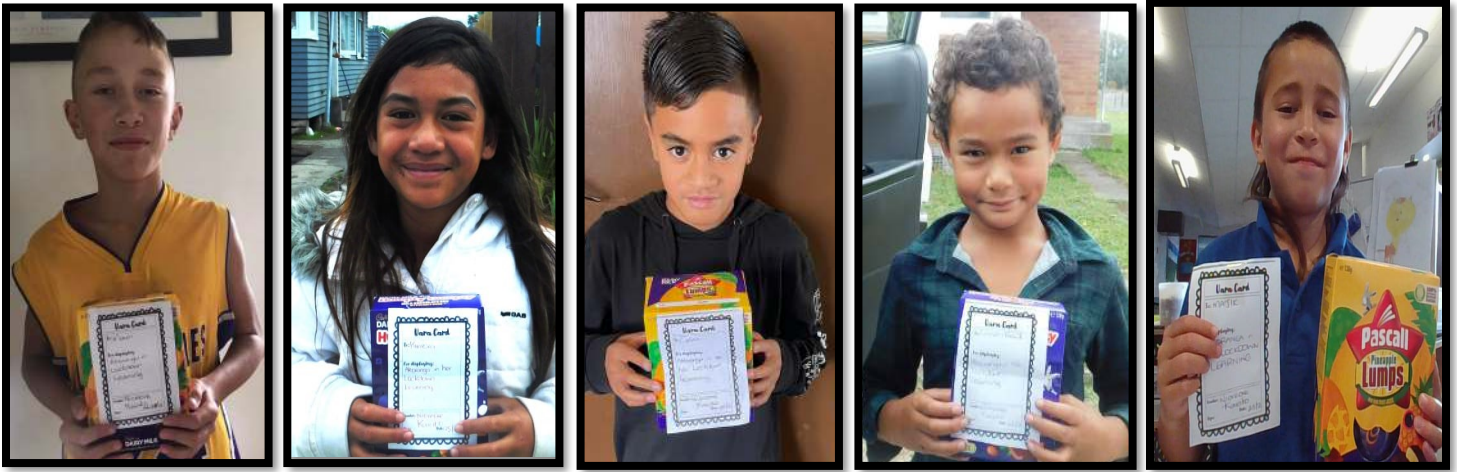


period, trying my hardest no matter what I am doing and staying on the GREEN for Te Ara Whakamana. Some may think these are simple goals, but for some, it is a huge shift in their thinking. If each of the goals presented above are at the forefront of our students thinking their learning will accelerate. To acknowledge and visualize these goals each day our tamariki have made a mural of our kīwaha “He Waka Eke Noa” “We are all in this together!” No one is left behind and we will all have the tools to reach our goals. He whānau kōtahi tātau!

Nīoreore Uara Draw

We would like to acknowledge all of our tamariki who received uara cards throughout this term especially over the period of our At Home Learning. We had many entries from both Nīoreore areas and we are amazed with everyone’s efforts these past few weeks. Congratulations to Rhianna Delamere (YR6), Amber Merriman (YR6), Kimiora Rolleston-Kereama (YR5), Arai Harris (YR5), Ajay Manhas (YR4), Ryan Singh-Winitana (YR4), Tiaki Apiata-Biddle (YR2) and Tea Howden(YR2). Also a big congratulation to the winners of our At Home Learning Draw, Mauri Murray (YR6), Kimiora Rolleston-Kereama (YR5), Calvin Takuira (YR6), Majik Waenga-Matthews (YR4), Lincoln-Hawk Tapara-Isaac (YR3) and Rongomai Epapara YR3).





KĀRANGARANGA PĀNUI

NGĀ UARA o TE KURA

Manaakitanga – To show respect, kindness, and care for oneself, for others, and for the environment.

Concepts of importance are hospitality, empathy, and respect.

Whakawhānaungatanga – A sense of belonging and connection through shared experiences and working together.

Concepts of importance are whakapapa, roles and responsibilities, and tuakana teina.

Akoranga – To become lifelong learners, understanding about ourselves, the wider community and Te Ao.

Concepts of importance are goal setting, growth mindset, resilience, and self-directed learning.

Tūmanako – Our learning goals.

Concepts of importance are shared learning goals and high expectations.

Whakaponu – Our beliefs. To believe in oneself, the mana of others, and the mana of the environment.

Concepts of importance are confidence, communication, and growth mindset.

Kotahitanga – Kotahi te whakaaro, Kotahi te hikoi – one vision same goal.

Concepts of importance are ownership, collaboration, and problem solving.

Kaitiakitanga – Guardianship.

Concepts of importance, caring for ourselves, caring for our environment, sustainability, and healthy communities.

Year 7 Pepeha

For social studies the year 7 students are learning to recall their pepeha, guided by Matua Muriwai.

KO TAWHIUAU TE
MAUNGA

KO RANGITAIKI TE AWA

KO RANGITAHU TE MARAE

KO NGATI HUI TE HAPU

KO NGATI MANAWA TE
IWI

KO TANGIHARURU TE
TUPUNA

KO JACKIE-BOY EDWARDS
TOKU INGOA



Ko Hikurangi te maunga

Ko Rangitaki te awa

Ko Mātaatua te waka

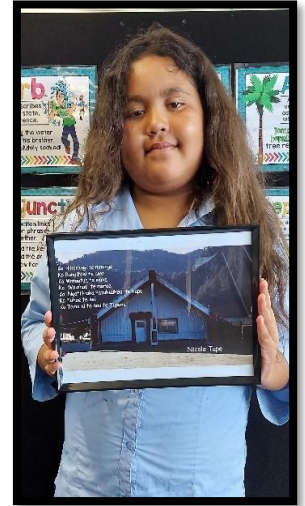
Ko Waiōhau te marae

Ko Ngāti Haka Patu
heuheu te hapū

Ko Tūhoe te iwi

Ko Tama ki te hau te
Tupuna

Ko Nicole Tupe tōku
ingoa



Ko Tāwhiuau te maunga

Ko Rangitaiki te awa

Ko Mātaatua te waka

Ko Rangitahi te marae

Ko ngāti hui te hapū

Ko Ngāti Manawa te iwi

Ko Dilemma tōku ingoa



Ko Mauao te maunga

Ko Tauranga te moana

Ko Tākitimu te waka

Ko Ngāti Ranginui te iwi

Ko Ngai Tamarawaho ko
Ngāti kahu ōku hapū

Ko Huria ko Wairoa ōku
marae

Ko Parane Koikoi tōku
tupuna



UARA DRAW WINNERS

Congratulations to our Uara winners so far this term for Akoranga - Focused on their learning and Manaakitanga - Showing and being kind:

Chanel and Saffron - Year 7- Hamiora, Jerry, Bubba Dee and Che'Vorn - Year 8.

The first two weeks of school we congratulated the year 9 team of students for an awesome start to the year! Kia kaha koutou!

RANGIPŌ / SERVICE ACADEMY PĀNUI

We are back! This is a good way for our kids to move forward in this uncertain time. Year 11-13 are preparing for their NCEA assessment. Most of our Year 11 students earned their 4 credits in Mathematics & Statistics before our school lockdown and are working on their next assessment scheduled for the 10th week of Term 1. We need them back at school every day.

Let us fill the minds of our tamariki with learning so they can understand what is happening around us and appreciate what they have now?

In Year 11 Art they have been learning about the artist Don Binney and they each have interpreted their own original paintings influenced by him.



It is with regret that we must farewell our Service Academy teacher Matua Meihana Herbert as he embarks on his new journey at Rotorua Boy's High School. Here at Murupara Area School we have the greatest appreciation for the incredible things he has done and the countless hours of time he has spent making every student feel a place of belonging, an immense sense of purpose and has encouraged them to explore various career pathways. He will be sadly missed but we wish him all the very best!



Congratulations to Te Aomihia Reedy and Helena Hokianga-Hillman for being recommended by staff to participate in the Service Academy Basic Leader event in Ohakea.

Service Academy Take 2!

On the 15th of March, the 4 mighty Service Academy Children ventured off to Waiouru for another round of the Induction course. This course sets the year for these children with major focus on areas such as team dynamics, trust activities and ethos and values.

The first three days into the course are all about settling in and getting use to their new normal for the next 9 days. Knowing how to make their bed, how to keep their barracks clean and what they should all be wearing is all a key part of setting the tone.

PT is a major part of the children's life while they are down there and an intro in this is what sets the scene for what's to follow. 4.2k Cross Country, climbs up Waitangi and the assault course just to name a few.

With only a few children to make up our academy this year, taking out the trophies which are on offer was a little bit difficult, nevertheless, our tamariki gave it their all got the mahi done and enjoyed their time.

Now the tone is set for the year, we are ready to smash it out and get the mahi done. Credits to achieved, next courses to prep for and one awesome year we are going to have here in the Academy!!

Watch this space for updates on what we will get up to this year.

