

## NEWSLETTER WEEK 5, TERM 4, 2024



### Services Academy—Naval Visit, Auckland

Kia Ora e te whānau,

Greetings everyone, welcome back to our final term of the year. This is a particularly busy for the Seniors as they complete portfolios, assessments and ready themselves for NCEA exams. After this week, we have approximately just under 5 weeks of learning left! This term brings with it a number of school camps and end of year activities that we are gearing up for. Year 11 to 13 camp at Ohope begins on the 25th of November and the Year 9 and 10 Camp begins on the 2nd of December. This annual two day programme is always a fun way to finish a busy year of learning, so keep an eye out for more information as it is shared with the students. Thanks to our whanau who are able to attend and support these events. Keep your calendars clear. Rest assured that quality teaching and learning is still very much the focus each week. There is still a lot to achieve and share with the students as we build into our prize givings and celebrations at the end of the year.

On a less positive note, sadly the school has been informed of changes to the Regional Tertiary Commuter bus service that currently operates between Murupara and Rotorua Tertiary-Route -104 The Regional Council has made the difficult decision to stop these services at the end of 2024. Despite recent increases in passenger numbers, overall use remains low, with an average of 4 -6 passengers per trip. In addition, financial support from NZTA Waka Kotahi and tertiary providers has not been secured for 2025. Without this support, Regional Council cannot bridge the substantial annual shortfall of \$277,654 without impacting other public transport services. Students who are planning to use these services in 2025, will need to plan ahead for alternative transport.

Nga mihinui  
Kura Hingston

### IMPORTANT INFO

**Wed 20 Nov**— Yrs 5 & 6 EOY Trip

**Fri 22 Nov**—Year 7 & 8 Trip

**Mon 25-27 Nov**—Yr 11-13 Ohope  
Camp

**Thur 28 Nov**—Reporoa Cluster  
Athletics

**Fri 29 Nov**—Yr 11-13 Prizegiving

**Mon 2-4 Dec**—Yr 9-10 Camp Tui  
Ridge

**Mon 9 Dec**—Yr 9-10 Prizegiving

**Tues 10 Dec**—Yr1-8 Prizegiving

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## OFFICE NOTICEBOARD

### MURUPARA AREA SCHOOL School Board Elections



#### Parent Election Notice

Nominations are open for the election of **FOUR** parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is provided with the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at **noon** on **WEDNESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at **4pm** on **WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> 2024**.

Signed

Shayna Howden

Returning Officer

#### COMMUNITY NOTICE

**WATER SHUTDOWN—MURUPARA  
THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER, 2024  
3.30PM—6.30PM**

#### REMINDER TO STUDENTS & PARENTS

**Students are not to have cellphones at school. Most importantly, not while they have exams. Phones will be confiscated.**

# NĪOREORE & KĀRANGARANGA PĀNUI



E tika ana kia karangahia o tātau tini mate, otira ki a koe, Kīngi Tūheitia, nāu te karanga ki ngā iwi katoa kia whakakōtahi ai, mo ngāi tātau te take. Nō reira haere, haere, whakangaro atu ra. Otira kai ngā mate nō Ngāti Manawa tonu, haere, haere, haere atu ra. Hoki mai ki a tātau te hunga ora tēnā tātau katoa. Mauri ora e te whānau!

We had Ten weeks of solid learning, Reading, Writing and Mathematics at the forefront integrated with our kaupapa ako of the Kingitanga and Ngā Reo last term. How relevant to choose the Kingitanga as our theme for term 3, with the celebration of Kīngi Tuheitia's 18th Koroneihana (coronation) then only a week later, his passing and his very noble and prestigious tangihanga. This was also celebrated with his successor, Kūini Nga wai hono i te po. Our tamariki got to witness first hand, history being made, all whilst having the understanding of why the Kingitanga was established. Our Noho marae in week 2 at Rangitahi Marae was also a massive highlight for our school. We have also been lucky to have our year 5 & 6's enter into the Tough guy, Tough gal comp and also some of our year 7 & 8's take part at Aims Games held in Tauranga. So term 3 for us was definitely a busy term. Now Term 4 is even jammed packed, we have already completed our final noho for the year at Moewhare Marae in week 1, which was a complete success, then we started training for our Athletics and competed at the end of week 3. We are now in week 4 and are already in full swing of our kaupapa for the term which is Te Whakanui - Celebrations. Nīoreore are gearing up for the first of our celebrations this term and are heading off to the Hamilton Zoo. All of their fundraising efforts have helped to create a full day of fun and excitement. So thank you to all of our whānau who supported in any way possible.

Kāti ake ra, we are at the halfway mark of our term, so hang in there whānau, kia kaha, kia maia, kia manawanui.

Naku noa

Whaea Miriama Iti-White

# NĪOREORE PĀNUI

We had the pleasure of having Whaea Courtney-Anne who is completing her Teaching Degree Practicum under the guidance of Whaea Suzannah. We were very pleased to have her in her home environment and the children responded well.

CROCS are not allowed to be worn at school and will be taken off the students who continue to break this uniform rule. They will be held until a parent comes up to collect them.

As the weather warms up it is essential that the students have enough good quality sleep to allow them to complete a full day of learning. At age 5 they should be in bed by 7pm to allow them to grow and rest.

We are a health promoting school and because of this status we receive fruit daily from the national program and Kidscan sponsored good food including weetbix and milk. In order to keep this we are obliged to police the lunchboxes and lately have noticed the huge increase in sweet, sugary, unhealthy snack food. A child does not need oreo cookies, twisties, jellies, chips, milkdrinks, fruitbars laden with sugar, chocolate bars and many other unhealthy, tooth destroying items for lunch. They can choose one item but the rest will be sent home. A single sandwich with a simple filling to their taste is more than adequate when we have fruit and breakfast cereal always available.

This term our major study is around Fires of the Earth so anything you can talk to them about at home will be helpful. Volcanoes capture the imagination of young children, possibly talk to them or take them to see the geysers and geothermal activity at Waiotapu, or Craters of the Moon just before Taupo. Talk to them about their whakapapa, their personal maunga. Lastly please help your tamaiti remember to bring back their class reader everyday so they are able to participate in instructional reading.

Extra big emphasis on attendance and learning this last term to prepare them to move on up the levels next year.

Nioreore Staff.





# NĪOREORE/KĀRANGARANGA ATHLETICS RESULTS

## Year 4 Girls:

*Maia Beamsley* - 1st in Discus and Long Jump, 2nd in High Jump

*Skyelah Tawhara-MacPherson* - 1st in High Jump, 2nd in Long Jump and 100m, 3rd in Discus

*Kaia-Marie Tawhara* - 2nd in Discus, 3rd in High Jump and in 100m

*Makuini Isaac Tapara* - 1st in 100m

## Year 4 Boys:

*Jordan Harris* - 1st in Discus, High Jump and 100m, 2nd in Long Jump

*Zarndrey Apirana* - 1st in Long Jump, 2nd in High Jump and Discus, 3rd in 100m

*Tiaki Apiata* - 2nd in 100m and 3rd in High Jump

*Charles Duff* - 3rd in Discus

## Year 5 Girls:

*Giselle Manihera* - 1st in Discus, High Jump, Shot Put and Long Jump

## Year 5 Boys:

*Manuruhi Heurea* - 1st in Discus, High Jump, 100m and 200m, 3rd in Long Jump

*Lincoln-Hawk Tapara Isaac* - 1st in Long Jump and Shot Put, 2nd in High Jump, 100m, 200m, and Discus

*Apanui Gavigan* - 2nd in Shot Put and Long Jump, 3rd in High Jump, Discus, 100m and 200m

*Tepihopa Apiata Biddle* - 3rd in Shot Put

## Year 6 Girls:

*Tawhaarangi Toataua-Harris* - 1st in High Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Long Jump and 100m

## Year 6 Boys:

*Navid Khoeum* - 1st in Discus and High Jump, 100m and 200m, 2nd in Long Jump and Shot Put

*Arai Harris* - 1st in Shot Put and 1st in Long Jump, 2nd in Discus and High Jump 100m and 200m

*Majik-Junior Waenga Matthews* - 2nd in Long Jump, 3rd in Discus and High Jump

*Rahiri Teepu Te-Are* - 3rd in Long Jump, Shot Put, 100m and 200m

## Year 7 Girls:

*Kiara-Jae Phillips* - 1st in Discus and Shot Put. 3rd in 100m and 200m

*Ngahuia Beamsley* - 1st in 100m and 200m, 2nd in Long Jump, 3rd in Discus and Shot Put

*Hinepipiri Tai* - 1st in High Jump and 3rd in Long Jump

*Harley-Breeze Epiha* - 1st in Long Jump and Discus, 2nd in Shot Put, 200m and 100m

## Year 7 Boys:

*Veyron Pari* - 1st Long Jump, High Jump, Discus, Shot Put 100m and 200m

## Year 8 Girls:

*Rhianna Delamere* - 1st in Shot Put

## Year 8 Boys:

*Harrison-Cruz Heurea* - 1st equal in High Jump, 1st in Discus and 3rd in 100m and 200m

*Titus Beamsley* - 1st equal in High Jump, 1st in Long Jump, 100m and 200m and 2nd in Discus

*Jackson Kirk* - 1st equal in High Jump, 2nd in Shot Put, 100m and 200m, and 3rd in Discus and 3rd in Long Jump

*Te Mania Litala* - 1st in Shot Put

*Hendrix Joe* - 3rd in Shot Put



## CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Attached below are our UARA recipients for Nīoreore, Karangaranga and Rangipo. These students were acknowledged at our Hui a Kura (School Assembly) at the end of term 3 and week 3, Term 4 as they were seen displaying and exemplifying at least one or more of our seven UARA over the past 3 weeks.

Well done to you all!





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# AIMS GAMES 2024

We were very fortunate to attend AIMS Games in Tauranga this year with 14 of our students. We were there side by side with more than 390 schools from not only around Aotearoa, but from as far as Rarotonga and Fiji. There were

more than 12,500 partici-

pants spread across 27 different sports. We had 5 girls playing 3v3 basketball and our 9 boys playing 5v5 basketball. The competition was fierce, and our students played well. The atmosphere was amazing, and the experience was like none other. We are so glad that we attended and exposed our Tamariki to such a huge event made only for year 7 & 8's. We all had a great time away and want to thank everyone who sponsored our tamariki and bought raffle tickets and donated kai, nui noa nei te mihi. We would also like to whaea Alice for all of your help, and we want to thank our coach, Nanny Pauline for being the best coach ever, we really appreciate you Nan!

We look forward to seeing what sports our tamariki would like to enter for 2025.





# MOEWHARE NOHO MARAE



On the Thursday 17 and 18 of October we finally arrived to our final noho for the term at Moewhare Marae, it was such a blessing to have our kura stay at Moewhare as the marae has been closed for sometime now, well it started with a awesome powhiri, you can clearly see the growth within our tamariki and respect when entering a marae, so awesome to see.

We started with some local knowledge from our Kaumatua Pita Paul and Papanui, after that we followed up some team bonding activities which which alot of fun, especially the whanaungatanga had by all. Our tamariki were in the presence of some Murupara royalty with Matua/koro/uncle Gavin Porima ( Gooch to some ) sharing his life story, lets say he definitely knows how to keep the kids engaged. Following dinner our tamariki were able to have a bit of down time and share some korero with another local from Moewhare Mr Karito Paul, our tamariki truly learnt alot of history within the first day of our noho.



Our 2nd day at the Marae truly was about being together at one, working together has become a norm for our kids. Following breakfast we had a eventful day of activities, but during the day we got the chance to powhiri our babies year 1 to 6, very proud of the way our year 9s and 10s maintained the mana of our school Haka powhiri without the support our seniors. Too much ours kids. All and all awesome final noho for our kura which is connected to our localized curriculum.

# STUDENT WORK - HUNTER PAREKURA-REWI

## Bike Life

Sun's up. Wheels up. The bike's out. The pack is out. There's a lovely breeze that's flowing through my shirt as me and my boys do what we love. Swerving down the streets all my problems are nowhere to be found, whilst I am in my happy place. Feeling free, dropping back, letting my hands slack, jump to the seat, jump back; my favorite combo.

I'm cruising in 4th gear down the streets of Murupara being on one wheel and leg. Police behind us, sirens on but not a single worry about them. The normal cars behind us are staying away, causing no harm as I'm swerving in and out of the gaps of the white lines painted on the road. I notice the bikestar in front, on his Yz125 doing the same thing as me; a person to the left is getting some footage of us.



When I get on my bike, I am a problem free human, nothing at all beats the feeling of being close to a serious incident; nothing beats the feeling of dropping back and rolling. It's a place where we all feel free, where we all have a smile on our faces.

Some people look at us like we are a gang but it's not a gang, it's a lifestyle. You will never feel as free as being on a bike; you will never know what being on one wheel feels like until you do it; until you stand on that Yamaha seat cover.

Bikelife isn't easy, most people look at it as if you get a bike and ride it but there's more to it; it's maintaining the bike, getting fuel for the bike, oil and other parts, practicing new tricks and how to use the back brake. You gotta know how to drop back to beat the traffic.

A main part of the Bikelife culture is the back brake. You're not as safe doing a normal wheelie if you don't know the back brake; no one is safe doing wheelies, swerving, tricks, drop backs at all but that's what makes you love it even more. It's forever 'bikelife'. That's why the word 'life' is in it- you're gonna do it for life.

Hunter Parekura- Rewi.

# SERVICES ACADEMY PĀNUI

The end-of-year trip for Murupara Area School Services Academy was not just a break from the rigors of academic and military training; it was a meaningful opportunity for tauira to bond, reflect on their experiences, and recharge before the next phase of their journey. This trip was designed to provide a mix of relaxation, exploration, and leadership development, all while reinforcing our uara and mission of the Murupara Area School Services Academy.



Our end-of-year trip served as a reward for hard work and discipline throughout the academic year. Whether it was a visit to a historically significant military site, a cultural exchange abroad, or a physically demanding outdoor adventure, our trip aimed at offering something that stretched our tauira in ways that complement their education and hard mahi throughout the year.

In addition to the educational aspects, our trip also promoted camaraderie. Spending time away from the structured environment of the academy allowing tauira to connect with one another in a more relaxed setting, building friendships and networks that will last throughout their careers.

Ultimately, our end-of-year trip was the final piece to our puzzle for Murupara Area School Services Academy 2024, experiencing, blending education, reflection, and recreation. It gave tauira a chance to pause, reflect on their growth, and return to their duties with renewed energy and a deeper sense of purpose. It is a moment to celebrate this years accomplishments and look forward to the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.

Mauri Ora kia koutou nga tauira o te kura a rohe o Murupara Services Academy

More photos on the next page..



# SERVICES ACADEMY PHOTOS

