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PĀANUI
Te Wahanga tua tahi mo te wiki tekau
Tokohia ngā tamariki: 61



3rd April 2024
Kia ora e te whanau,

Some students, whaanau and staff had an early morning start to attend the Orakau Commemorations (near Kihikihi) yesterday. The event which occurred 160 years ago marks a significant time in our history of Maniapoto. This time, 160 years ago, turned out to be the last of the Waikato War battles between the British troops and many different Iwi (both local and afar). With the weather nice and sunny, the organizers of the Commemorations were very pleased to see such a large turnout.

It is great to recognize having some of our students helping out with the Poukai which was held recently at Te Kuiti Paa. Since the 1880s, during the reign of King Tāwhiao, marae affiliated to the Kīngitanga, events have been held together by traditions such as the poukai, an annual circuit of visits by the Maori King (or Queen) that includes feasting and cultural performances. The Easter weekend meant there were lots of visitors into the community for a wide number of reasons.

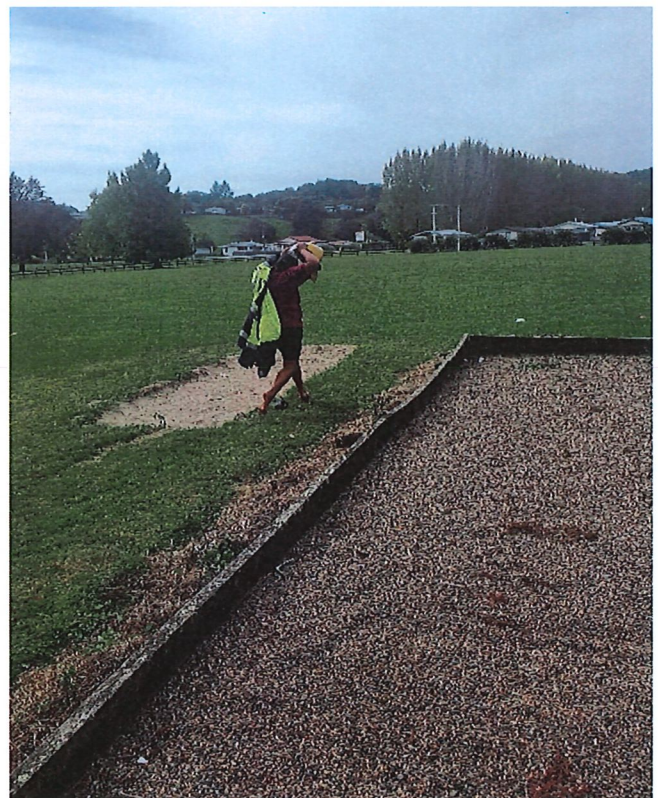
This is a short week of kura and then followed by the last week of Term 1, (next week). We are hoping to give our students an opportunity to go riding bikes as part of the 'Bikes in School' program. For many of our students, they can ride a bike, *but can they do this safely?* Are students aware of what happens when helmets are not worn and they fall? Staff will help support students during this time. Depending on bike sizes and numbers, we hope to have classrooms sorted so they can have at least a couple of riding opportunities.

Heoi ano
Kevin Ikin, Principal

Upcoming Events this Term

Last Day of Term One	Friday 12 th April
Anzac Day	Thurs 25 th April
School starts again	Mon 29 th April
Term 2	

Whilst some staff were attending a paid union meeting last week, some staff stayed behind and created some fun activities for the tamariki.



This activity involved students wearing a fire-fighting helmet and getting from point A to point B. over the field. There were obstacles and all sorts of cool things going on.

**A reminder, there is one more week of school to go. Next week is the last for T.1. Let's see if we can all finish on a great attendance with everyone at kura.*

Orakau: 160 year Commemorations

Community Notices

*Purchase a raffle ticket for a large trailer load of Firewood.
(tickets can be brought from the school office). You will need to get in quick.
\$5 per ticket*



*It's a big trailer full of wood
whaanau*

Centennial Park School Values Ngā Uara

Wairua Hihiko - (Innovation) their creativity, imagination and flair for innovation

Panekiretanga - (Excellence) in all they apply themselves to

Mana Tangata - Pride in their identity, resilience when faced with challenges and adversity, enduring respect and care for hapū and iwi, integrity of character and as an individual

Maniapototanga – versed in the whakapapa, waiata, karakia, histories of Maniapoto

**Breakfast Club – Will be both
Tuesday and Thursday this
week. Thank you Whaea Janie
for helping out our tamariki**

7:45am – 8:45am

Nau mai haere mai



Mangatea, Te Maunu, Kiara, Amaia, Anika & Xavier stand side by side with two very well known statesmen, Matua Mitch Hughes and Matua Shane Te Ruki



A large gathering of participants at Orakau



Not sure if this picture is correct...Some are students from Te Kura Rautau...Some are not...And one looks like she's pretending to be...(Can you spot this person?)

The team did a fantastic job of catering, waitressing and helping out for the Poukai.



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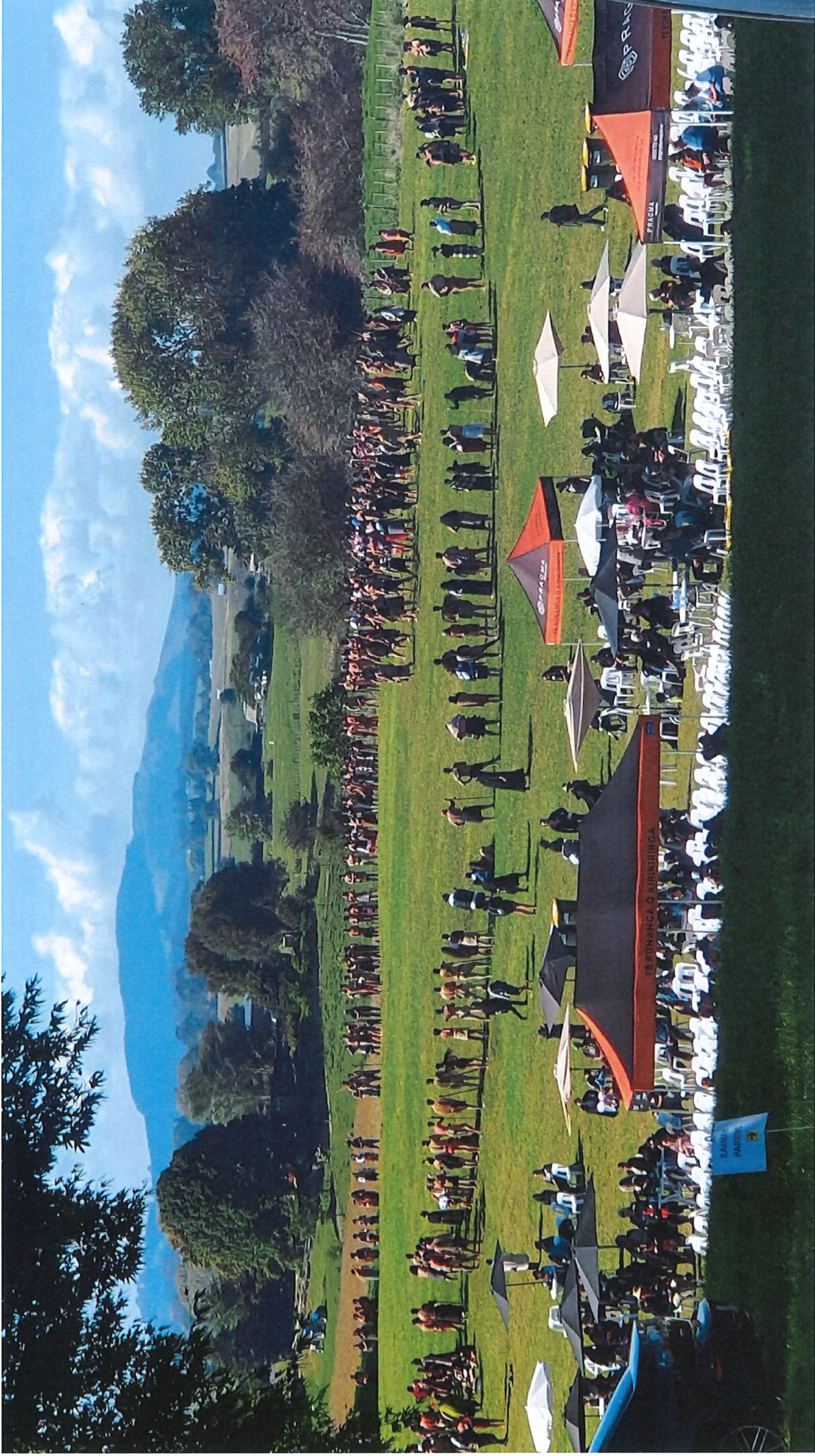
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School Holidays The Kiwi Kids Club

open Monday to Friday from 8-am to 5.45pm

from 15th April to 26th April.

At the Anglican Church Hall Otorohanga. Children aged from 5 to 13 years Winz subsidy available. Cost from \$50.00 to \$62.00 + GST. We will be putting on a van for Te Kuiti Children pick-ups 8am drop off 5pm. At home if you live in town. What's on our programme. Waingaro Hot springs or Time Zone, Edge Rock climbing, Ten Pin bowling, Leap, Hamilton. Movies TeAwamutu. Museum McDonald's, Otorohanga. Puppet making Science experiments, Make paint a bird box, Technology Day and Pizza. Lots of fun and games for more information or to book what days you need **contact Wiggs 021491616.**



The scene at Orakau (Near Kihikihi) to Commemorate 160 years of the battle between the British Colonials which numbered approx. 1400 and Iwi (from a number of Iwi such as Maniapoto, Raukawa, Tuhoë, Waikato, East Coast and Hawkes Bay) who numbered approx. 300.