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PĀANUI

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



26th March 2024

Kia ora e te whanau,

Last Wednesday Te Kura Rautau hosted a welcoming for the small group of students and kaiako from Tatsuno, Japan who are here spending time visiting the Waitomo district. This also included a full day at Benneydale School where Amaia Tapu from CP and Thanya (St Jo's) joined them as support ambassadors. Their trip has come to an end and a farewell will be held today at 9:30 this morning. We were all hoping for this to happen at Tkt Paa but due to Tangihanga last week and preparations for the Pokai starting today, it is unfortunate they couldn't experience a marae visit. They will have to visit again...

We were very lucky to have Diana Queenin (our Duffy Book Hero) visit the kura and share her passion for reading. Diana has a wealth of experience with geology and fossils. This she shared with the kura during a special assembly. Diana was able to share items she was fascinated by and kept the koorero very basic so our ākonga could engage and learn by her visit.

Easter weekend starts this Friday. No kura on Friday, Monday 1^{st} and Tuesday 2^{nd} April. We hope the weekend is fine and we are all able to enjoy time resting for the count down to the last 2×4 weeks of Term 1.

On Tuesday 2nd April, we are hopeful of attending the Orakau Commemorations, which happened 160 years ago. A significant time for Maniapoto during the final stages of the Wars at that time. Kaiako will make contact with whaanau seeking interest of attendance as it does fall on a long weekend.

Heoi ano Kevin Ikin, Principal

Upcoming Events this Term

Easter Friday - No School
Easter Monday - No School
Easter Tuesday - No School
Ōrākau (Kihikihi) Attendance
Last Day of Term One
Anzac Day

School starts again Term 2

Monday 1st April Tuesday 2nd April Tues 2nd April Thurs 12th April Thurs 25th April Mon 29th April

Friday 29th March

Firewood Raffle to fundraise for our tamariki



Win a tandem trailer full of firewood...

We have 100 tickets to be sold. \$5 per ticket
Please contact Anya at the school office and
lock in your firewood for the season.
It can be delivered if the winner lives locally
Our thanks go out to a wonderful person in our
community that offered to prepare all this
wood to help raise funds for our kura

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Community Notices

Purchase a trailer load of Firewood raffle ticket (from the school office). You will need to get in very soon. \$5 per ticket

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 <u>Tuesday and Thursday this</u> <u>week. Thank you Whaea Janie</u> <u>for helping out our tamariki</u>

7:45am – 8:45am Nau mai haere mai





The powhiri last Wed welcomed visitors from Tatsuno Japan was relocated to Te Kura Rautau as a tangi was being held at the Paa.

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Students from Kura Rautau, Benneydale and TKP joined together for a wonderful welcome.

Many thanks to Matua Kingi, Matua Isaiah, the kitchen, teaching and support staff at the kura for making the occasion very special.



Learning stick games with our Tatsuno visitors this morning



Sharing kai with our visitors. Benneydale, TKP and Te Kura Rautau students



We farewelled our visitors to the Waitomo area. They travel to Auckland today and then back to Tatsuno Japan tomorrow.

These students put on a very entertaining dance which our students really enjoyed.

We are now very hopeful we can have more of our students from Te Kura Rautau travelling to Tatsuno in 2025. The 30th year of the sister city relationship.