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**PĀANUI**  
Te Wahanga tua tahi mo te wiki tuatoru  
Tokohia ngā tamariki: 64



9<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Kia ora e te whanau,  
Well done to all those participants at the Eddie Alcock Netball Tournament last week. The weather was great so it was a really good decision to wait for fine weather. The positive attitudes and supportive way the tamariki played reflected in a wonderful day for all. The kura entered 3 x teams who all performed outstandingly. The senior mixed team went through all their games undefeated. It was great to see a large number of whaanau who were able to make it. Thank you for supporting all the players on the courts.

The Ministry of Education are working hard to find ways to encourage all students to return to schools. Secondary schools have been affected more than Primary but we are still having our challenges with making sure all students are back learning. With the winter chills and colds, this challenge has not been easy as we would expect students who are unwell to stay home and recover before returning to kura. We would like to thank our whaanau who appreciate that our staff can also be away due to illness or professional development. Having staff keep up to date with the changes that are occurring is important so we adjust to what is happening in our wider communities.

Congratulations to the Waitete U13 players from our kura. They won their rugby final in Taupo against a team that were favoured to win. Well done.

Heoi ano  
Kevin Ikin, Principal

Koroneihana  
ERO visit #2  
Altrusa Awards in MPR 5pm  
Technology Challenge Interschool  
Girls Self-Defence Course  
End of Term 3  
Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Aug  
Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug  
Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept  
26 & 27 Sept  
Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Sept

**Koroneihana attendance**

We have a number of our students who will be attending the Koroneihana at Turangawaewae Marae in Ngaruawahia on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Aug. They have been practicing waiata and haka to perform on stage as part of a larger roopu from Maniapoto.

A number of our staff and support whaanau will be attending travelling by minivan. A paanui will be sent home this week for those students involved.

**Our Netball teams at the Eddie Alcock Netball Tournament 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2022**



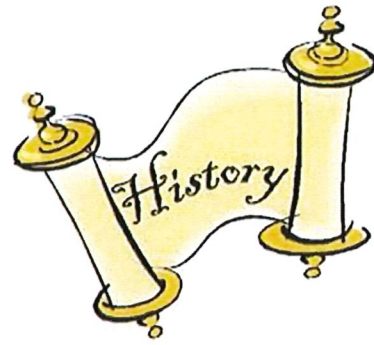


### Self Defence for girls

(coming up in Sept for our girls Yr 3-8)

Our communities outside of schools can be challenged by individuals or groups of people that think they can pick on or bully people no matter who they are or where they are from. A recent case in town with a paper delivery person being attacked in a cowardly act by some teenagers means we need to be very mindful and if possible doing something about keeping ourselves safe.

We are able to offer our kotiro / girls self defence. The objective is for girls to uplift each other and empower themselves to live safely. Our students will learn to think confidently, speak strongly and be able to use self defence skills / techniques when necessary. The course will be taught by an accredited teacher of self defence (Melissa Goodin) from Hamilton.



### A moment in time – Our History

**9<sup>th</sup> August 1930:** *George Nepia was one of the stars of the 1924-5 All Blacks: Playing in all 32 matches on the team's tour of the British Isles, France and Canada. He played the last of his nine tests in 1930, against the British Lions.*

**10<sup>th</sup> August 1840:** *British proclaim sovereignty as French head for Akaroa: HMS Britomart arrived at Akaroa, on Banks Peninsula, a week before a shipload of French colonists landed there. The Britomart's captain raised the Union Jack to confirm the British claim to sovereignty over the area.*

**11<sup>th</sup> August 1962:** *Picton ferry Aramoana enters service. Few ships have had as much impact on New Zealand history as the Aramoana, the country's first roll-on roll-off ferry, which entered service between Wellington and Picton in 1962.*

**12<sup>th</sup> August 1816:** *New Zealand's first mission school opens in the Bay of Islands: The simple building measured about 10m x 6m and included an area for Māori students to sleep and a cordoned-off platform for teachers and Pākehā students*

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# Our Kura Uara – School Values

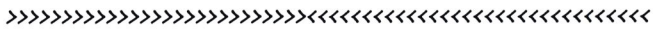


**Wairua Hihiko** - (Innovation) their creativity, imagination and flair for innovation

**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



## Community Notices

*This Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August - an information evening at 5:30pm (Lyceum Club located just down from the town pools)*

**Tatsuno - Japan Exchange:** If you are a current Yr 6 or 7 student and are interested in going on a trip to Tatsuno Japan, the sister city to Waitomo. There will be an information evening to let you know what is involved. Te Kura Rautau had one student attend the last trip in 2019. Are you the next?



### Asking our community?

Do we as a kura encourage an inclusive learning climate? *We would appreciate hearing back from you our community:*

1. Does the kura take steps to improve its learning climate to enable learners to experience a positive and culturally responsive environment that promotes engagement?

2. Are our learners experiencing a positive culturally responsive learning climate that promotes respectful relationships?
3. Are our whaanau, parents and learners participating and contributing to a range of contexts - cultural, local global citizenship?

Please provide us with some feedback either through email to the kura office or send us a message through the school loop app. Many thanks. We would really value your thoughts.



### Did you know?

We have our wonderful two nannies in one of the classes that support our tamariki with learning raranga and tukutuku

If you are interested in learning these skills, either traditional or contemporary there is time during the school day to learn a new skill, come along and meet our amazing Nannies (Whaea Hana and Whaea Helen)



## GET ON BOARD

### School Board Elections 2022

**Get on board!**

Nominate yourself or someone you know to be a school board member

Place your returning officer contact details here and your school logo to the left



# Waitomo Sister City Cultural Exchange



We are inviting current (2022) Year 6 & 7 students, their families and interested people to an information evening about our proposed cultural exchange to Tatsuno in June 2023. Come along to find out more. **No commitment.** Let us know you'd like to come and for more information email us at [waitomosistercity@gmail.com](mailto:waitomosistercity@gmail.com) by 29 July 2022.



The establishment of our sister city relationship began when two fighter pilots – one from Tatsuno, Japan, Professor Kinase and Squadron Leader Les Munro, from Waitomo, meet at a World War II reunion. The two former enemies realised that both towns had several commonalities between them, the foremost of which is their fireflies and our glow worms, together with their shared war experience.

The first delegation came to Waitomo in March 1993 for informal discussions. On March 30, 1995 an agreement was officially signed at a ceremony held at the Te Kuiti Pa.

The agreement outlines key factors the promotion of friendship and goodwill together with the endeavour to encourage an understanding and awareness of the separate cultures and the exchange of ideas between our people and communities. This relationship has now celebrated 25 years.

*From time to time, we wish to keep our whaanau up to date with our policies and procedures. As you can appreciate, there is a lot involved to always ensure the safety of all tamariki which is paramount. We thank our whaanau for the very important part they play in helping and volunteering where they can. We really appreciate your support.*

## **Parent Involvement**

Parents may wish to support the school by volunteering their time and skills. This may include helping with class programmes, sports coaching, fundraising, school productions, trips, and camps. Parents may also take part in school policy reviews or become members of the board or parent group.

Parent involvement contributes to a strong school community and has benefits for everyone involved. Many events would simply not take place without the involvement of parent volunteers.

### **Becoming a volunteer**

- Parents are welcome to offer their time and assistance.
- Parents are invited to help when the need exists. When there are more offers of help than required, the school declines some of these offers. The school reserves the right to decline offers of help at any time.
- Parents are considered for their suitability for the event or activity, and are asked to complete a volunteer agreement form. For Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) events, suitability may include specific skill levels required for the event.
- Parents are informed of their obligations and role as helpers.
- Activities involving volunteers are monitored by staff.
- Note that it is not always appropriate for younger siblings to come along with the parent helper. Please discuss this before the event/activity.

All volunteers are expected to comply with the school's **smokefree** and **alcohol/drugs** policies.

### **Care and protection of children**

- The school's **child protection**, **privacy**, and **sharing images of students** policies apply to anyone helping in the school. For example, volunteers must maintain confidentiality regarding other students, and should be aware of not being alone with students.
- Volunteers at school will sometimes become aware of issues relating to individual families or specific students. Any issues or concerns should be communicated immediately to the classroom kaiako who should be able to reassure parent volunteers that the school is managing the situation. Concerns and issues should not be discussed with other parents.
- If the parent volunteer continues to have concerns, these should be raised with the principal.

## **Communicating with Parents**

Our communication strategies help us inform and engage parents on matters related to the school. Current, clear, and consistent information helps staff, students, and parents feel connected and confident that they know how the school operates, and what is going on in the school.

We encourage parents to **raise any questions or concerns** with the school directly, so that any issues can be addressed and resolved for the whole school community.

### Contact details

- Parent and caregiver contact information is updated by the school at the beginning of each year. Parents are responsible for letting the school know about any changes to their contact details, including details of parents who don't live with the child but who wish to receive school information and notices.
- Parents can access school and staff contact information through the school office, website, and newsletter.

### Everyday communication

- We use a range of methods to communicate general information with parents and our school community including the school website and pānui.
- If the school has concerns about a student's welfare or behaviour, we will contact parents.
- We protect the privacy of our students and their families in our communications as appropriate.
- Parents are asked to contact the school if their child will be absent or late that day.

### Emergency communication

- In the event of an emergency, disaster, crisis, or school closure, the school contacts parents and caregivers when it can, using the **available communication options**.
- We notify parents if their child suffers a moderate or notifiable injury, or any head or spinal injury.

### Reporting to parents

Communicating with parents about their child's progress and achievement is an important part of school life. Reporting methods may include parent interviews, written reports, and informal conversations.

The school also celebrates the success of students and shares achievements within the school community.

## Eddie Alcock Tournament Results

What a proud Kura you made us all last Wednesday Tamariki maa!

CP IHI (Year 3&4's) Won 2 games and lost 2 games

CP KAHA (Year 5-8's) Won 2 games and lost 1 game



Whaea Mani, Taiiri, Anika  
Te Maunu & Clinton say cheese



CP Ihi having their 3 Cheers

# Sport News

## CP MANA - Yr 7&8's

Take a look at your Eddie Alcock Primary Netball Tournament 'A Reserve Grade' winners for 2022





RUGBY



**A super special mention to Stacey, Tarquin, Lawson and the Waitete U13 Rugby team for the 'hair-raising game on Saturday against Taupo Devils, winning the finals and taking home the trophy with a 29-22 win! WELL DESERVED BOYS!!**



## Sports Uniforms

We need all uniforms at home to be returned to kura

**“AS SOON AS POSSIBLE”**

There are Soccer Shirts & Socks still needing to be returned to kura. Our uniforms are a huge asset to the identity of our kura and just look how sharp Hatta and Taiiri look representing our kura kakahu (clothes). After each fittings (of sports uniforms) our tamariki get so excited, energised and become that much more eager to begin sports, so let's keep it going for our tamariki whaanau

## MiniBall Season

YEY! we have MiniBall on its way tamariki maa!

Permission slips have been issued out to all our tamariki -Please hand into the office or whaea Misy ASAP so we can confirm teams.

Here is a look at the age groups if your child wishes to participate this year

*Teams will be confirmed when all permission slips are returned*



### YEAR 7 & 8's (Tuesdays)

Lucy, Tarquin, Aalieghyah, Lawson, Daniel, Jaiziah, Rayden, Stacey, Saint Claire, Khalei, Kansas Jade, Matatu, Malikye, Miriama, Nivayah, Lester and Kiana.

### YEAR 5 & 6's (Thursdays)

Tamai, Eli, League, Amaia, Watea, Wiremu, Totara, Francis John, Ivy Rose, Mangatea, Alexi, Kauri and Nicholas.

### YEAR 3 & 4's (Wednesday)

Tazmyn Jaye, Lewis, Teare, Clinton, Kiara, Manaia, Te Maika, Kalayus, Hohaia, Taiiri, Te Rahui, Te Maunu and Taiao.

### YEAR 1 & 2's - 5 1/2 years - 6yrs (Wednesdays)

Vonteyah, Quade, Anika, Anahera, Te Rangi, Hatta, Kingsley, Castiel, Te Ihipera, Tia Reigh, Tumatawhero and Mason