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**PĀANUI**  
 Te Wahanga tua tahi mo te wiki tuawhitu  
 Tokohia ngā tamariki: 70



29<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Kia ora e te whanau,

This will be a bit of a messy week with Te Kura Rautau being involved in supporting Te Kuiti Paa where we can and leading up to the 2 x Haka Powhiri on Friday. Before then, there is much to do with practices continuing. Helping with the prep and cleaning up where required. It will be a busy week. There are a range of contractors at the Paa, and we are very mindful of what this means with safety for all our tamariki. On Saturday when the formalities of the 150 Years Celebrations occur, we ask whaanau to help support with the supervision of their tamariki. The same for Sunday as well with the visit by the Prime Minister to acknowledge the formal apology to Maniapoto on behalf of the Crown for historical wrong doings from the past. No doubt there will be many of you attending Te Kuiti Paa along with the anticipated many from throughout Rereahu / Maniapoto. Let's hope for fine weather to make the occasion a much more enjoyable experience.

Some of you may be aware of the increase in Covid 19 levels again in our community. At the kura, we continue to encourage the wearing of masks indoors to minimize risk. We have plenty of RAT kits available if you are not sure and wish to take a test. Give us a call.

The final day at kura for students will be on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December. It will be a time to celebrate our successes and farewell our Yr 8 students who continue their learning journey at secondary school in 2023. Let's make the most of the remaining time over the next few weeks.

Heoi ano  
 Kevin Ikin, Principal

Christmas Parade in Te Kuiti	Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Prizegiving: Trophies:	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Last day of kura	Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Staff Only Day	Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec

**Students from Room 1 & 3 producing art work for Te Kuiti Paa**



*Kace and Francis deep in discussion*



*Totara focused and determined*

### Hearing and Vision Testing at the kura:

We received short notice late last week about the Hearing and Vision Testing that will be happening to students who have not had these tests before. We will also be targeting retesting for those student we believe may need checking. Many thanks for your understanding.

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### A moment in time – Our History

**29<sup>th</sup> November 1877:** Education Act passed into law: The Education Act 1877 established free, compulsory and secular education for all Pākehā New Zealand children. Māori children could attend these schools if their parents wanted them to.

**29<sup>th</sup> November 1893:** First women Mayor in British Empire elected: By becoming mayor of Onehunga, Auckland, Elizabeth Yates struck another blow for women’s rights in local-body polls held the day after the first general election in which women could vote.

**29<sup>th</sup> November 1949:** First female Maaori MP elected: Iriaka Rātana was elected as New Zealand’s first female Māori MP.

### 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

#### Things happening around the kura

During the Christmas break holidays, the kura will have contractors in to upgrade our lights to new LED’s for all the non-teaching rooms. All of the classrooms and multipurpose room were upgraded at the start of 2022. We are also having electrical powerpoint upgrades

#### Did you know?

Today we had 92% attendance of students at kura – This is very near the target (of 95%) we know we can achieve together. Thank you for working with your tamariki to get them to kura and on time. The small number of students away today were due to illness reasons. Ngaa mihi whaanau

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#### Policies and Procedures

#### Student Attendance

The Education and Training Act 2020 requires that all children six years old and over must attend school. Once enrolled, it is compulsory for children to attend school regularly.

Centennial Park School – Te Kura Rautau encourages students to participate fully in school life. Students are expected to attend school when required, and to be on time for classes. This policy applies for off-site activities as well, such as EOTC activities.

We monitor the daily attendance of students to:

- ensure their safety both in getting to school, and in accounting for them in an emergency
- identify students with achievement, engagement, or other issues
- meet our legal responsibilities.

Parents and guardians also have legal obligations to ensure their children attend school. The school expects parents to:

- notify the school if their child is going to be absent by phone, text, or email by 9 am
- try to arrange appointments etc. outside school hours or in holidays
- work with the school to manage any attendance issues.

Absences are usually unjustified unless the student is too sick to attend school or has suffered a bereavement. Sometimes a student might be out of class but should still be marked present, such as when attending a medical appointment. Holidays should only be taken during school holidays.

### Unacceptable levels of absence

Attendance is monitored through our student management system (SMS – E Tap), and parents are notified of absences and/or patterns of absences. The school follows up on unacceptable levels of absence (10 half-days per term) and may refer the case to the **Attendance Service**.

### Leaving school during the day

Students may not leave the school during school hours except by special arrangement – for example, a parent request (verbal or written) for the student to attend a medical appointment. The student or the parent of the student must sign out at the office.

If a student becomes ill at school, we follow the procedure for sending sick student's home.

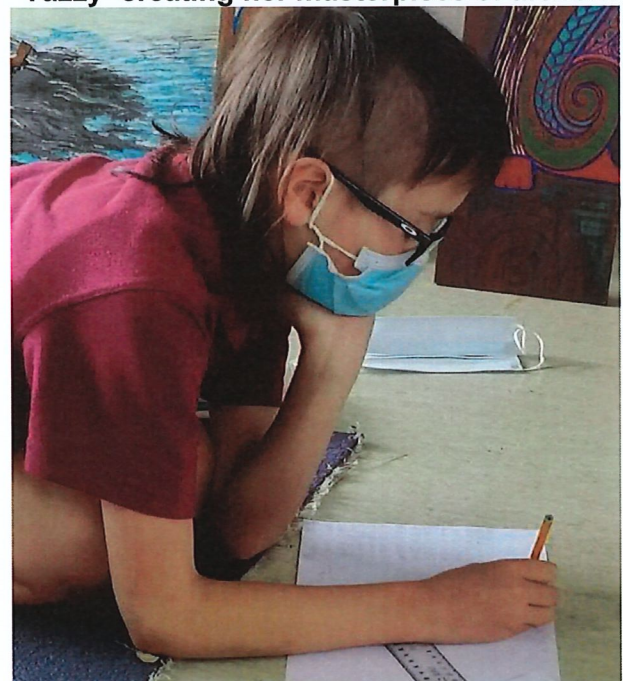
### Out of school tuition and activities

Any request from a parent for their child to attend a programme or activity off-site during school hours must be made at least one week before the planned event. The request is approved or declined entirely at the discretion of the principal who considers each application on its merits, using the following criteria:

- The specific relevance and benefit to the student's education and their learning and development goals.
  - The length of time away from regular school programmes that the activity will require.
  - The qualifications and experience of the course provider.
- If permission is granted for a student to attend such a programme, they are marked as present for that time, with a comment about their attendance at the programme.



**'Tazzy' creating her masterpiece of artwork**



**Nicolas designing his artwork with total focus**

## Touch Rugby

Well done to all our tamariki playing every wiki. After one week away it was so beautiful to see the progress in all our players - a huge mauri ora to you all for the rest of your season.

Mihi atu to all our coaches for your time and effort - your time and awahi do not go unnoticed whaanau maa.

The draw will be posted to our chat groups and Facebook on Mondays as the draw arrives.

***" PLAY HARD BUT PLAY HUMBLE TAMARIKI MAA "***



***CP JUNIORS having orange time at half-time.***

## SPORT FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE!

Thank you to all our whaanau and tamariki for your payments received, but we still have plenty of whaanau still needing to pay ASAP!



**ALL MINIBALL & TOUCH FEES OF \$10.00 ARE  
DUE INTO THE OFFICE**

***INDIVIDUAL SPORT INVOICES WILL BE SENT HOME  
TODAY with your tamaiti/tamariki so  
please keep an eye out.***

Payments can be handed into the office or online banking details below. Any grant money wishing to be used must have verbal consent from parents.

### INTERNET BANKING

**CPS/attn. Whaanau Support Group  
Westpac: 03 0449 0171395 00**

**Please reference your child's name and  
sport!**

*This is to confirm the payment and avoid your  
payment getting lost in the system.*



## SCHOOL UNIFORMS

### ALL UNIFORMS ARE DUE BACK INTO KURA

*The only tamariki that should have uniforms are our touch players - Please e te whaanau do not make next week sports paanui name those whaanau that are yet to return uniforms.*

*If we do not get them back easily we will have to return uniforms after every game again!*

*Each uniform is numbered. When tamariki are fitted at kura with sports uniforms and that number is then recorded under the name of your child till returned.*

*If you happen to find other sports uniforms around your whare please return ASAP!!*

*We are now in Term 4 and the need to return uniforms are a must!*



*“ Ngaa mihi nunui e te whaanau moo to awahi! “*