

School Newsletter: March 8th, 2023

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**Totara Grove
School**

NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 8th March 2023

No. 3

Kia ora koutou, Namaste, Talofa Lava, Konnichiwa, Ni hao, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Chao, Hallo, Zdravstvuite, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Salam, Suostei, Hola, Annoyong Haseyo, Caio, Nei ho, Suoday, Ni sa Bula, Kamusta, Xin chào, Gutentag, Bonjour

Thank you to everyone who came to our whānau korero yesterday. It was so lovely to see you here and I look forward to seeing many more of you tomorrow.

We really do value the input of whānau in all that we do as a kura. I would also like to thank all of our wonderful teachers for the thought and preparation they have put into our whānau korero afternoons. Teachers can learn so much from you about your child as whānau truly are the experts when it comes to knowing your children best. Being part of a child's learning journey is a real privilege and being on this journey with whānau as well makes it even more special.

As part of our whānau afternoons, we have been collecting your voice around 3 important areas: how we communicate with you, what sorts of topics you might like us to explore as part of our local curriculum and what is important to you when it comes to teaching our NZ Aotearoa Histories curriculum. If you have not had the chance to complete our

survey, we have included the link in this newsletter as well. Everyone who completes the survey will go into a draw to win one of three \$50 Countdown vouchers. We really appreciate you taking the time to complete this for us.

Have a fabulous week whānau.

Mauri ora

Sharon
Principal Tumuaki

TUPU TAHI – GROWING TOGETHER. STANDING STRONG. REACHING HIGH.

Caught Being Good

Winners of books for the previous two weeks were:



Rm 1: Rewi

Rm 2: Chelsea, Eerika

Rm 3: Indi, Dreyi

Rm 4: Solomon, Ewan

Rm 5: Haimona, Moana

Rm 7: Rangipotiki

Rm 8: Khaleesi, Hemi

Rm 9: Jady

Rm 11: Melaia, Tyla-Mei

Rm 12: Colin, Leigh-Ray

Rm 13: Norton-Reks, Winiata

Rm 14: Willow

Ngā Mātāpono Awards

Rm 1: Ita'lee, Arion

Rm 2: Arlo, Sofia, Shylas, Shyloh

Rm 3: Owen, Kamera, Keison, Gabriella

Rm 4: Dom, Ewan, Tūrama, Kenzy

Rm 5: Evie, Riley, Raiden, Te Ruki

Rm 7: Nathan, Jeevika, James, Chloe

Rm 8: Junior, Ava, Amanii-Leigh, Jahzahlea

Rm 9: Ngawiki, Odessa

Rm 11: Lissette, Boss, Anahera, Atahua

Rm 12: Vanity, Dean, Johannus, Spencer, Jacob

Rm 13: Lucious, Jayde, Shaani

Rm 14: Antonio, Liam

Free school lunch programme

Please see attached the menu for the current week. Menus and detailed information are published on the *lunch by libelle* website: www.lunchbylibelle.co.nz/current-menu.html ([click here](#)).

This week's lunch menu:



upcoming lunch menus:

www.lunchingthebooks.co.nz lunchingthebooks@lunchingthebooks.co.nz facebook.com/lunchingthebooks

Please tell me exactly what information you are prepared to share in a non-legal context. If you have any information regarding certain allegations please notify the school immediately. There may only be a need to notify.

www.funwithyfiles.co.uk funwithyfiles@btinternet.com [facebook.com/funwithyfiles](https://www.facebook.com/funwithyfiles)

Vegetarian		Gluten Friendly	
CHEESY PASTA	MON	MAC N CHEESE	MON
Pasta with melted cheese sauce, mixed veggie, white beans and cheese on top		GF pasta with melted cheese sauce, peas, mixed veggie, white beans and cheese on top	
SALAD WRAP	TUE	HAM SALAD WRAP	TUE
Chicken, Apple & salad filled wrap with ranch dressing, tomato and onion & hot for press		Chicken, ham & salad filled GF wrap with ranch dressing, tomato and onion & hot for press	
COCONUT CURRY	WED	COCONUT CURRY	WED
Coconut curry sauce with chickpeas & veggie, served with rice & roti wrap		Coconut curry sauce with chicken & veggie, served with rice & GF roti wrap	
PLANT BASED BURGER	THU	CHEESE BURGER	THU
Plant based burger, cheese, salad & ketchup with pineapple crust slice		GF burger bun, GF plant based patty, cheese, salad & ketchup with GF croutons	
PASTA AMAZEBALLS	FRI	PASTA AMAZEBALLS	FRI
Plant based amazeballs, melted tomato sauce & cheese		GF pasta with melted tomato sauce, plant based amazeballs & cheese	
Vegan Friendly		Dairy Friendly	
VEGAN 'CHEESY' PASTA	MON	PASTA BOLOGNESE	MON
Pasta with tomato & hidden veggie sauce & vegan cheese		Pasta with beef & hidden veggie sauce	
SALAD WRAP	TUE	HAM SALAD WRAP	TUE
Chicken salad wrap with ranch dressing & hot		Ham & salad filled wrap with ranch dressing, tomato and onion	
COCONUT CURRY	WED	COCONUT CURRY	WED
Coconut curry sauce with chickpeas & veggie, served with rice & roti wrap		Coconut curry sauce with chicken and veggie, served with rice & a roti wrap	
PLANT BASED BURGER	THU	CHEESE BURGER	THU
Plant based burger, veggie cheese, salad & sauce with pineapple crust slice		Burger bun with beef patty, GF cheese, salad & sauce. Served with a pineapple crust slice	
PASTA AMAZEBALLS	FRI	PASTA AMAZEBALLS	FRI
Plant based amazeballs, melted tomato sauce & veggie cheese		Plant based amazeballs, melted tomato sauce & veggie cheese	

School Board

The date of the next Board of Trustees meeting is Wednesday the 15th March at 6pm.

2023 Totara Grove Swimming



Kia ora Totara Grove School Whānau, we have reached the middle of our swimming term. It looks like we will be in the pool right to the very end of Term 1 considering the weather we are having at the moment.

It's been great to see our tamariki develop their confidence, movement and floating in the pool. We are lucky to have such a great teaching staff.

On March 9 SwimSafe are back with us. They are a group of instructors that spend time at schools teaching water safety around rivers and the ocean. SwimSafe will be in Mondays and Thursdays for three weeks if you want to take a look.

TGS swimming sports was held on Friday February 24. This was a big hit. This year has been the best for participation. The school had some fun races for those who want to enjoy themselves without too much pressure. These included a running race, dolphin dive and head the ball. After a break we came back to the pool for our freestyle races. Again we had a great turnout. To finish the event we had the adults vs year 6 tamariki relay. This is always noisy and fun. The adult team was made up of Matua Len AKA The Torpedo, Whaea Bridget the Gold medallist and Whaea Yvonne who almost broke the speed of

sound. Thank you to those brave swimmers for taking the “fun dial” to 11.
This year Rimu was the winning whanau with 259 points. Kapai Rimu.
Thank you to those staff who made the day run smoothly, we are very lucky to have you.
Please remind your tamariki to bring their togs every day. There is always swimming at break times. We have teachers and Mr Wolfgram supervising the pool.
Thanks to all the whanau and friends of the school for their support which is very important to the tamariki.

Swimming team representatives

After our swimming sports on Friday February 24 we were able to select our swimming team to challenge Tikipunga Primary School.

The best swimmers from both schools compete to represent Zone 11 at the Whangarei Primary Schools Swimming Sports.

The Zone 11 team for 2023:

Phu’o’ng Nguyen-Beniston R11

Yalaena Kawiti R10

Dylan Moselen R10

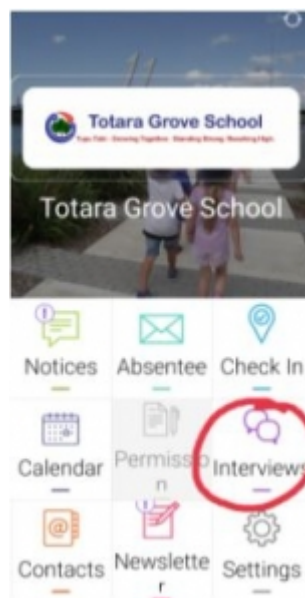
Hemi Tangariki-Pou R12

Ariki Hape and Nganeko Mahanga – Tikipunga Primary.

Whangarei Primary Schools Swimming Sports takes place at Whangarei Intermediate School.

Wednesday March 15. 9:30 – 12:30

Whānau korero



Tuesday 7th March & Thursday 9th March

A korero with your child's teacher to talk and plan your goals, dreams and aspirations for your child this year.

Bookings are still available for Thursday on the **SKOOL LOOP App** – 15 min time slots.

Tuesday 7 March 1:30pm – 6pm (Early school finish at 1pm)

Thursday 9 March, 3:30pm – 6pm. (Finish at normal time 3pm)

We look forward to this korero to share all the great things about your child. Nau mai, haere mai e te whānau.

We would really appreciate if you could complete the school survey and be in the draw to win one of the three \$50 countdown vouchers – please click here:

<https://forms.gle/kvngkgwZKivFhxTq5>

Te Manawa Tahī Timetable

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, TeManawa Tahī have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them.

This is a free service and each site will be identified by a Te Manawa Tahī flag. Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 5248 4256 or emailing TT.Support@education.govt.nz.



What are your concerns?

Are you worried about your child's learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour? Do you have concerns about your child's learning? Do you have concerns about your child's learning?

Ko te Tamaiti te Pūtake o te Kaupapa
The Child - the Heart of the Matter

About us

What is happening?
Te Manawa Tahī is a learning support hub where you can come to and talk to education professionals about your child's learning needs. This is a free service.

Who are we?
Learning Support (formerly Special Education) and the PSLB service (Resource Teachers Learning and Behaviour) have teamed up with schools/whānau, early childhood, iwi and community providers to work together with the aim of providing support for your tamariki and their learning needs.

Te Manawa Tahī
Te Manawa Tahī is a place to help a child.

How can you find us?
The Te Manawa Tahī flag will identify each Te Manawa Tahī site. Our timetable with dates and times is posted on our Facebook page. You can come in the hub without an appointment or you can call 0800 5248 4256 to make one. Your school/whānau/volunteer can also make an appointment for you.





**Te Manawa Tahī
Community Timetable
WHANGĀREI**

All hubs are open from 9:00am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated*

Date	Hub Locations	Term 1 2023, Weeks 1 to 6
Thurs 2 Feb	Te Wā, Cor William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Ohangarei	
Wed 8 February	Beck 2 Basin Childrens, 179 Newton Road, Mangataniwha	
Thurs 9 February	Bream Bay Community Trust, 9 Takutu Place, Ruakōhā	
Thurs 16 February	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
Thurs 23 February	Tauranga Area School, Omara Road, Mangataniwha	
Thurs 23 February	Onarahi Community House, 130 Onarahi Road, Onarahi	
Wed 22 February	Archie Bull Hall, 11 Kōwhiri - Whangārei Road, Kōwhiri	
Thurs 23 February	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Tangahutu	
Thurs 23 February	Te Ora Hou, 134 Clark Road, Takapunga	

Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing TT.Support@education.govt.nz

**Te Manawa Tahī
Community Timetable
WHANGĀREI**

All hubs are open from 9:00am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated*

Date	Hub Locations	Term 1 2023, Weeks 9 to 12
Wed 1 March	Mangakōhia Community Room, 1480 Mangakōhia Road	
Thurs 2 March	Ministry of Education, 24 Kōwhiri St, Morningside	
Wed 8 March	Te Kōwhiri School, 1239 Pipewai Road, Pipewai	
Thurs 9 March	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
Wed 15 March	Bream Bay Community Trust, 9 Takutu Place, Ruakōhā	*10am - 12:30pm*
Thurs 23 March	Children's Lighthouse Playgroup, 20 George Street, Haurangi	
Thurs 23 March	Beck 2 Basin Childrens, 179 Newton Road, Mangataniwha	
Wed 22 March	St John's Ambulance Hall, 172 Humberd Street East, Mangataniwha	
Thurs 23 March	Te Wā, Cor William Jones Drive & Rata Place, Ohangarei	
Wed 29 March	Whānau Focus Centre, 61 Victoria Street, Tangahutu	
Thurs 30 March	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	

Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing TT.Support@education.govt.nz

Term 1	1st Feb – 6th April
Term 2	24th April – 30th June
Term 3	17th July – 22nd Sep
Term 4	9th October – 14th December

Community Notices



ELEMENTZ 
ELEMENTZ SPORTZ NORTHLAND

EXTENDER SERIES

FREE COMMUNITY KAUPAPA! OPEN TO ALL AGES, CLUBS AND PLAYERS OF ALL SKILL LEVELS

Kensington Park, Whangārei
Sundays 3pm - 6pm
• February 19, 26
• March 5, 12, 19
FINAL / ELEMENTZ WHĀNAU DAY
Saturday 10am - 3pm
• March 25

What's an extender series?
A series of skills, drills, games and development based activities to cater for all ages and abilities

Scan the QR code to register or visit
<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/229852>



REGISTER TODAY!

Head to the Northern Districts Cricket website
www.ndcricket.co.nz/play
and **choose your area.**
Enter registration details for the hub.

SUPER SMASH HUB

FUN, FAST & INCLUSIVE!

Fundamental movement & skills
Game-based activities
Only \$5 per week, for six weeks

PLUS! Take cricket home by grabbing your own **NORTHERN BRAVE PARTICIPANT PACK** (bat, ball, backpack, cap & water bottle) at registration for only \$50!

GIVE IT A GO!



SUPER SMASH HUB

YR 1-4
60 MINUTES
\$30 FOR 6 WEEKS

CATCH! STRIKE! THROW!

LOCATION	AGE	DAY	START & END TIME
Shoreline Sports Centre, Kauria Park, YR 1-4	YR 1-4	Fri	12:00pm - 12:30pm
Cadellie Oval, Whangarei	YR 1-4	Fri	22 Feb - 26 Mar
Kaharo Recreation Ground	YR 1-4	Thu	16 Feb - 22 Mar
Kemungah Park	YR 1-4	Wed	15 Feb - 22 Mar
Mangawhai Domain	YR 1-4	Mon	12 Feb - 20 Mar
Mangakarama Domain	YR 1-4	Thu	16 Feb - 22 Mar
Waipunga Sports Park	YR 1-4	Fri	17 Feb - 24 Mar

REGISTER VIA NDOROCKET.CO.NZ/PLAY - TURN OVER FOR MORE INFORMATION

WHANGAREI CAKE DECORATING GUILD CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP

MARCH 25TH 2023

Whangarei Baptist Church, Kaima Road, Kaima
Opposite New World Supermarket
1pm to 4pm

We are holding another cake decorating class for children over the age of five.

Students learn how to ice and decorate a cute Easter Bunny cake.

Cost per child: \$25

All extra ingredients and afternoon tea provided.



To Bring: Cake size 6 inches across, x 4 inches deep round
Fitting royal icing, available at Supermarkets
Cake Board
Apron
Mask (optional)
Container to carry cake home in.

Please ring 0275575825 or 094230023... helpfuldevelopments@extra.co.nz



TOTARA GROVE SCHOOL



Children thrive in our fun-filled, high quality sport lessons. Creating a learning environment that boosts confidence and self esteem is paramount in all Playball programmes. The children will be coached to engage confidently in a wide range of sport skills, preparing them for years of positive and competent sport participation.

LOCATION
Totara Grove School (Turf)

DATE
Friday 10th Feb - 24th March

TIME
3:10pm - 5:50pm

PRICE
\$50 per child

5 weeks remaining

PROPS / PLAYERS PROGRAMME

- The refinement of the skill component of popular sports
- The development of skills relating to direction, distance and space
- The development of the correct execution of the skill
- Playing small sided sport games in a competitive environment

ENROL AT PLAYBALLKIDS.COM/FRANCHISE/NORTHLAND



WHAT IS PLAYBALL?

Playball is an international multi-sport and movement programme, teaching skills from a variety of sports in a fun, positive environment from professional coaches.

Some other classes available:
Fridays - 11:20am (2-5 year olds)
Saturdays - 9:00am & 10:00am (2-9 year olds)
Holiday programmes (4-9 year olds)

For more information, visit playballkids.com/franchise/northland or email dean@playball.co.nz

playground playgroup tour

Bringing the community together
ALL Whānau and their tamariki
welcome
Children Play - Adults Chat

**Every
Wednesday
during school terms
3pm - 4pm**

Ongoing each week (weather permitting)

- 22.2.23 - Paramount Parade - Play on the Way & BBQ
- 1.3.23 - Potter Park - Football or Touch & BBQ
- 8.3.23 - Korau Road - Cricket & BBQ
- 15.3.23 - Otangarei - Bball & BBQ
- 22.3.23 - Paramount Parade - Play on the Way & BBQ
- 29.3.23 - Potter Park - Football or Touch & BBQ
- 5.4.23 - Korau Road - Cricket and BBQ

NO DROPS OFFS
all Whānau responsible for their own
children at all times

**SPORT
NORTHLAND** **FAIRY
DREAM
LIV' THEATRE**

THE BOY WITH WINGS

ARTS ON TOUR NEW ZEALAND
PRESENTS

*"It's a gem of a puppet show!
The set is like nothing I've ever
seen before. The audience know
how to construct beautiful
worlds from your everyday
cardboard box"*
- Sam Maria Almeida, Theatreview

Designed specifically for
children ages 6 to 8 years,
but loved by all ages!

**THURSDAY 6 APRIL 6PM WHANGAREI
FORUM NORTH**
**GA \$10; FAMILY \$35; GROUP CONCESSION
(MIN. 15 TICKETS) \$5 EACH EVENTFINDA**

Logos: NZ Arts, Māori Arts, Eventfinda, and various sponsors.



MARIST RUGBY
PARK AVENUE, KENSINGTON

**Saturday Rugby
Register NOW!!**

Time to start registering for the upcoming rugby season.
We can take players in all grades from
Under 5's to Under 14's.
Boys and Girls welcome. New and returning players
welcome.

Registration Days: 19th Feb & 19th March: 8am to 2pm. All new players will
need to attend one of these days, bringing along a birth certificate.

Link to register: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/142494>

Any questions: Contact Shelley on 027 228 7987
or email: maristrugbywhangarei@gmail.com
Website: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/maristrugbywhangarei/home>

THREE LITTLE BIRDS CUP
Women's Rugby Tournament

Three teams competing for the title:
Rangitikei, Waikato, Waikato Bay of Plenty
Māori

GRANT

19th March 10:00am - 12:00pm, 12:00pm - 2:00pm
19th March, Grant Memorial, 19th March 10:00am - 12:00pm

**Girls
Tournament**

Location: Northland Clubrooms at Pohe Island, Riverside Drive.
When: Saturday 1st April.
Grades: We will be entering Under 7 & Under 10 Rippa teams &
hopefully an Under 13 tackle team.
Registration: Please text or email me if you would like to join a
team.



Let's have a
Conversation
about Money

MONEYmates

SHARE knowledge
EXPLORE your choices

Tuesdays 10am - 11.30am

2023:

- 28th Feb & 7th Mar** From seeds to table: Basic gardening skills utilising recyclable materials
- 28th Mar & 4th Apr** Tracking where your money goes: Reviewing your spending
- 2nd May** Getting out of debt / Begin a savings plan
- 30th May** Reviewing the need for insurance
- 20th Jun** Afterpay / Scams / Online safety



1 989 Rd, Pungarehu, Whangarei
Ph: 09 437 6367
Email: enquiry@ahpcare.org.nz



CRC
Clark Road Chapel
Kamo

9UP

Open to any student in years 5-8
7-9 Alternate Fridays
Gold Coin Donation

TERM ONE 2023
-10th Feb - Games Night
24th Feb - Water Top Town
(10 Mar - no 9up)
17th Mar - Irish Themed Night
24th Mar - Capernwray visitors

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Contact - Jo Dawson 021741750
kiwi_osborne@yahoo.com



I HAVE A DREAM PRESENTS...

WHĀNAU CELEBRATION 2023

A special event for Dreamers, whānau, school staff and volunteers.

FRIDAY 24 MARCH
5-BPM
TIKIPUNGA HIGH SCHOOL
FREE ENTRY

Free Kai - Face Painting - Golf - Hot Rods - Animal Balloons - Petting Zoo - Bouncy Castle - AND MORE!

For further details contact your Navigator or Jodie on 021 925 077

NOTE: This is not a supervised event. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Girls and Women
PLAY. DREAM. LIVE

GIRLS AND WOMENS ONLY

5-A-SIDE TWILIGHT FOOTBALL

MONDAYS, 6TH TO 27TH MARCH 2023
5.30PM - 6.30PM

**TIKIPUNGA SPORTS PARK,
REED STREET, TIKIPUNGA**

FREE FOR ALL FEMALE PLAYERS AGED 9YRS AND OLDER (BORN 2014 OR EARLIER)

To register, email Dave Alabaster –
dave.alabaster@nrf.org.nz

Northern Region Football New Zealand Football



FREE dental care for under 18s
Kei raro iho i te tekau mā waru, kāhore he utu

8 TIPS TO KEEP YOU SMILING

Fluoride in toothpaste helps prevent tooth decay

Avoid eating or drinking after brushing teeth, Especially at night so the fluoride can keep working to protect and strengthen teeth.



Need a dental appointment for your child?
CALL 0800 MY TEETH (0800 698 3384)

To Whātū Ora

A NEW JOURNEY BEGINS!

DOWNLOAD OUR SKOOL LOOP APP TO
KEEP TRACK OF ALL SCHOOL NEWS AND
IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2023.

