

Kia Ora Whanau

I am writing this while I am in Tauranga with the Aims Games teams and having an absolute blast! I am so proud of all the tamariki here representing our amazing kura! They are smashing it! Today I watched futsal, football, BMX, tennis and gymnastics with a smile on my face and the joy in my heart getting bigger and bigger. We have the toughest, fairest and most focused athletes of all the schools here. They are giving it their all! Their coaches and managers are amazing ensuring they are ready for the game as well as where they need to be, fed, hydrated, showered, in bed on time and up when they need to be - no mean feat. A huge thank you goes out to Eden Ford, Jens Hvas, Lenna Milton, Scott Douglas, Tia Lord, Javiera Hope Carrion, Denise Hammond and Savannah Mossman and Nigel Nathan for their time and support. Thanks also to Mr Burns for making this amazing experience possible. I hope you all got to see Dylan Drysdale speaking about Aims Games on Monday's episode of Breakfast. He spoke so well and did our school proud. Way to go Dylan!

Five of our students represented Ngunguru School at the Northland Science and Technology Fair in Whangarei last week. Our students spoke confidently about their investigations. Sam Gittos and Sammy Evans (past student) did extremely well with their 'MagNoPlastic' project which won Best Year 9 Technology, Best Overall Technology and the Northland Regional Council Environmental Excellence Award. We are incredibly proud of their achievements.

The Youth Leader Summit was enjoyed by all our Rōpu leaders. They all came away with new thinking around leadership and how they see themselves as leaders. Thanks to Ms Sanderson for organising this inspiring experience.

Thanks to everyone who donated a gold coin and ordered hotdogs for Daffodil Day. It was awesome. We raised over \$400 for the Cancer Society. Well done everyone.

A big thank you to the leaders who came and helped at the Daffodil Day event down at the sports center. Our leaders poured many cups of tea and coffee, served food and were generally helped out wherever they could. They received many compliments for their manners and respect. I was very proud of them!

It has been a big couple of weeks for our kura but we continue to take it in our stride, achieving new heights!

This week we have the mobile dental clinic arriving. It will be onsite for the next couple of days completing oral checks on our students. It will be parked in front of the care-taker shed.

St John Visit:

Next week we have Jo from Hato Hone (St John) visiting to take all our classes through the Responding to an Emergency module. This will be some important and exciting learning for all our tamariki.

Cones:

Please do not park where the cones are set out in front of the school. Parking is prohibited there as the buses cannot make it around if a vehicle is parked

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School Board meeting dates

September 17th
(new Board takes
office)

November 25th

Teacher only day
October 24th

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there. We have had a few instances of this lately. This is a no parking zone. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this.

Sun Smart Term Four

Just a reminder that term four is our sunsmart term. Hats are compulsory as is sunsmart clothing. No singlets or spaghetti strap tops and midriffs must be covered. Sun damage now can lead to skin cancer further down the track and we do not want that happening to our amazing tamariki. Thank you for your support with this.

Teacher Only Day Friday the 24th of October

We have our second Ministry of Education mandated math teacher only day on Friday the 24th of October. This is the Friday of Labour Weekend which means you can have more of a longer weekend which might make child care easier.

Colour Run

Next term, on Friday the 21st of November we are having the Ngunguru School Colour Run. This is a great opportunity for our students to boost their fitness, have a blast, and raise vital funds for our school at the same time. We're inviting students to run, walk, and get doused

in colour as they complete the course, all while raising funds for our kura. The best part is that whānau from across New Zealand and the world can easily donate and support our amazing students and school.

Your support for this fundraiser is incredibly valuable and will make a difference. Please Keep an eye out for more information on how to register and donate soon!

Calendar Art

Due to the success of this last year we are doing it again in 2025. The calendars and other products make great Christmas gifts and take the hassle out of Christmas shopping. Ordering will be directly through Kidsartworks this year. Your child's art will be uploaded over the school holidays for you to view.

It has been a busy week for everyone so enjoy a relaxing weekend. Thank you for the energy and support you brought as an audience to our production performances. As always, my door is always open

Ngā Mihi Nui,

Rosemary Murphy

BOT spot

Don't forget to vote in our Board of Trustees election. Your vote counts so make sure you do vote. Currently only 30% of our eligible whanau have voted. I know we can do better than that. We have seven outstanding candidates who have taken the time to put themselves forward and commit to being a dedicated trustee so we owe it to them to vote.

ELECTION TIMETABLE:

ELECTION DAY Wednesday 10 September

CLOSE POLL 4pm on Wednesday 10 September

COUNT VOTES & DECLARE RESULTS Tuesday 16 September

BOARD TAKES OFFICE Wednesday 17 September



Recently Tai Timu Tahī were lucky to be involved in sand dune restoration on the school sand bar. This was also filmed and was an excellent chance for them to share what they had learnt about the dune environment this year. The tamariki loved seeing the plants they planted last year thriving. They also weeded gladioli and planted additional natives to support the eco system. Joel even spotted a green and golden bell frog in the dune grass! You might have also seen us on the NRC Facebook. I am so proud of the way the students shared their learning.



Tai timu Rua completed their dune planting this week at Matapouri. We are restoring an area that is essential for dotterels near the boat ramp. The kids really enjoyed pulling out the big wild turnips. It was hard work as we planted over 20 natives each - 450 plants in total. Special mention to Evadine and Felix who worked through their lunch break removing extra weeds! Kaitiaki korua! We even had time for a little play by the water before we headed back for hot chocolates (thanks Jeanine).

Big thanks to all our parent helpers and tō Coast Care and Northland Regional Council for providing these opportunities for us to get out into the community.



Manaia has been learning about measurement and ordinal numbers. We thought why not combine the two! So we created a poster showing our order of height. We loved drawing our bodies and exploring some rich mathematical language.





Spotlight on our W.A.K.A Values



Week 8: Kaitiakitanga: Guardians of Our World

Kaitiakitanga means guardianship and protection – taking care of our environment, our resources, and each other. It's about being responsible citizens of our school and the wider world. Whether it's looking after our school grounds, conserving water, or showing care for living things, students demonstrating Kaitiakitanga are helping to create a sustainable future. It is also about protecting our school traditions and stories. We are guardians of knowledge from our past, living and acting in the present to ensure a future.



**FRIENDS OF NGUNGURU
SCHOOL (FoNS)**

*Save disappointment, order your ice
blocks and hot dogs in advance for the
rest of term 3. Cut off for orders is 9am.*

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Te Manawa Tahī will be onsite at Ngunguru School on Thursday 11th September from 9:00am until 10:30am in the Multi Purpose Room.

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional wellbeing, or behaviour, Te Manawa 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 sign or flag.
Drop into a hub or make an appointment by phoning 0800 524 842 or emailing
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Calendar \$18.00

Practical yet very personal, these high quality calendars feature either an individual artwork or photo, laminated and wire bound into a 12 month tear-off calendar.



Mouse Mats \$18.00

Lightweight and easy to post overseas, our Mouse Mats make perfect Mother's Day, Father's Day and Christmas gifts.

Purchases will be processed through Kidsartworks

Orders close 31st October