



Kia Ora Whanau

Another busy but exciting week at Ngunguru School. It is so great to see all the different curriculum areas in action at the moment. Our students are getting such a well rounded education. I am loving seeing all the crazy hair at school today!

The Cross Country was an excellent event. Well done to all who took part and a special congratulations to our place getters! Thank you whanau for turning out in such big numbers to support our tamariki. Thanks also to FONS for providing refreshments to keep us all going. I was so impressed with our Tai Pari students! They made excellent course marshals and their leadership



on the day was outstanding. Kaw Rawe Tai Pari! Lastly a huge thank you to Mr Burns for all his behind the scenes mahi to make it such an awesome event. We appreciate you Mr Burns!

Our year seven open evening was also a success. It was wonderful to have new whanau coming to see what our awesome kura has to offer in year seven and eight. Thanks to Mrs Taylor, Mr Burns and Ms Sanderson for organising the evening. We are lucky to have such a great team overseeing our year seven and eight programme.

The teachers are currently busy working on their Professional Growth Cycles (PGCs) which is a deep dive into their practice. Teachers are required to complete a PGC annually. Our teachers enjoy and get a lot out of their PGCs as they assess, amend and act from their reflections. They are also busy analysing their class mid year data which is a component of their PGC. They identify trends and these become part of their amend and act process.

Production

Practice is well underway for this with only two weeks to go until it is all on. Mrs Taylor is busy pulling it all together with the support of the rest of the staff who are busy making props, designing sets, going over lines etc. It is a busy time but our tamariki are really excited about the performances and are looking forward to them. A big congratulations to Felix Roycroft for winning our production poster competition. Felix's poster will now be used for all our production marketing, well done Felix!

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**School Board
 meeting dates**
 August 26th

September 17th
 (new Board takes
 office)

October 28th

November 25th

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Tickets are selling fast so get yours now via Kindo, **there are no door sales.**

Show times are as follows:

- Wednesday 20th August 11am Matinee 6pm Show
- Thursday 21st August 6pm Show

A little bit of a production teaser...

Max & the Waka of Wisdom follows Max, a laid-back 12-year-old surfer, on a magical journey guided by Tūkaiaia, a wise Māori albatross. Transported to fantastical lands inhabited by quirky penguins embodying core values, Max learns about Whanaungatanga (connection), Ako (learning), Kaitiakitanga (guardianship), and Atawhai (kindness). Each value gives him a glowing paddle, symbolising growth, belonging, and responsibility. Returning to school transformed, Max inspires his classmates to embrace these values as essential paddles for life's journey—showing that true strength comes from community, curiosity, care for the environment, and compassion. This vibrant, heartfelt play combines humor, music, and culture to celebrate identity and personal growth.

Winter Illnesses

We still have lots of winter bugs and ills hanging around. If your child is unwell please keep them at home until they are actually well enough to handle a full day of school. If they come back too early they often feel pretty miserable, spread their bugs and end up in our medical room. We really urge you to keep them home until they are well enough to be here.

After School Care Bookings

If you need to make an urgent booking or change a booking please ring the office so a note can be given to your child so they are aware of the changes. This means that ASC, the office and your child all know what is happening. Thanks in advance for this.

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. Watch this space for more details around ordering.

Attendance

Every day matters when it comes to learning so please ensure your child is regularly at school. Lately there have been a number of students away on overseas holidays during term time. Please be aware that this is not a justified absence and it is marked as unjustified. I have often heard it said that children learn just as much while away through the experiences they have. True they do learn but they are not learning in the curriculum while away and come back not up to date in their Prime and structured literacy learning. This creates a burden for them and the teacher in catching them up. I really urge you to think about this before booking a holiday during term time.

It has been a busy week for everyone so enjoy a relaxing weekend. . Let's hope the weather is kind to us.. As always, my door is always open

Ngā Mihi Nui,

Rosemary Murphy



BOT spot

This month the BoT is reviewing the following policy. We would love whanau feedback on these policies:

- *Child Protection*
- *Abuse Recognition and Reporting*

*To review a policy simply log in to School Docs, visit the website:
schooldocs.co.nz*

*Enter the username (ngunguru) and
password (hooked).
Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.*

*Please keep an eye out for email updates
on the upcoming Board of Trustees election.
Nominations have now closed so it is moving
into the voting phase. You will receive
an email next week informing you of the
candidates. Please take the time to vote. Your
vote is important as it will shape the Board of
Trustees for the next three years.*

*Voting information will be sent to you on
Wednesday 13 August.*

ELECTION TIMETABLE:

NOMINATIONS CLOSED 12 noon Wednesday 6 August

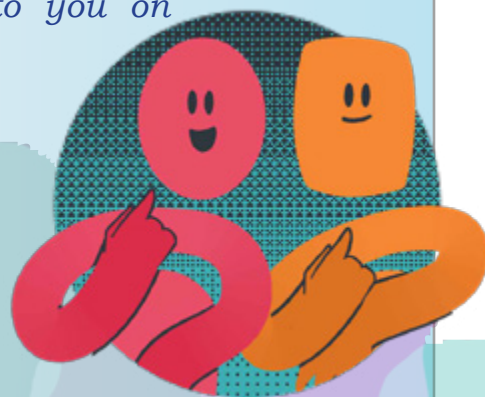
VOTING PAPERS ISSUED Wednesday 13 August

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



MAX & THE WAKA OF

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6pm Show

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6pm Show

Whanaungatanga

Kaitiakitanga

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By Felix Roycroft

WISDOM

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Spotlight on our W.A.K.A Values



Week 4: Whanaungatanga: Building Strong Connections

Whanaungatanga is all about relationships, connection, and a sense of belonging. It's about how we interact with each other in a way that builds a strong, inclusive and supportive school community. When students practice Whanaungatanga, they demonstrate kindness, respect, and work together. Encourage your child to consider ways to contribute to our school and to strengthen their connections with friends, family, teachers, and their community.



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.

[click here to order](#)





Book Character day



We appreciate your support to cover costs for this and other events. It isn't too late to give koha toward the Strike performance, [click here](#) to donate through kindo.

Community advertisements - click on links for more information

[Daffodil Day Dream Team Morning Tea](#) - Friday 29th August

[Citrus for the South](#) - support Lions

[Dyslexia Plus Fundraiser - Fun Games Afternoon](#)

SHORT-TERM RENTAL WANTED

FURNISHED BACH OR HOUSE ON THE NGUNGURU/TUTUKAKA COAST

For Ngunguru School Volunteer/visiting Teacher from Switzerland and his family (2 adults and 2 children)

27 October - 28 November 2025

Please contact:
lsanderson@ngunguru.school.nz
for information and/or availability