

Kia Ora koutou,

Wasn't the Easter break just wonderful?! I hope you got to make the most of the beautiful weather and had some relaxing whanau time. It has been another busy two weeks at Ngunguru School. Last week Tai Pari had their noho marae. This was an amazing experience for the students. The knowledge they gained on the history of our school pepeha as well as the neat activities such as waka ama will stay with them for some time. Mr Higgins said to me yesterday it was a very special moment in his life and one he will never forget. Well done Tai Pari students for giving it your all and thank you to Mr Higgins, Mrs Taylor and Ms Sanderson for organising such a successful camp.

Last Wednesday our Year 7/8 Epro8 team competed in the regional Epro8 competition which they won! We are incredibly proud of their efforts and the team work they showed to take out the top award for 2024. Congratulations to the winning team of Sam Evans, Sam Gittos, Malachi Gane and Henry Bedell.



Last Friday a group of our year five and six girls competed in a Northland Girls Football Competition. The girls had a great day, winning all but one of their games. Excellent skills girls! Thank you Ms Bowden for overseeing this.

We also had a group of year 7 and 8 students participate in the Intermediate Inter School Touch competition in Whangarei. This was a good experience for them and congratulations to Charlie Bott who won the fair play prize, well done Charile. Thanks to Matua Jermaine for coaching and overseeing the team.



Today we have a year five and six as well as a year seven and eight team competing in the 2024 Lit Quiz at Kerikeri Primary School. We wish them all the best. Thanks to whanau who are transporting and supporting the teams.

Also, a big thank you to Dave Leggitt from Dempster and Hill Electrical who have donated two large umbrellas for our road patrollers. These will keep them lovely and dry!

### Three Way Conferences

Our first set of three way conferences are next Tuesday the 9th and Wednesday the 10th of April. On Tuesday school will close at 12.30pm. Wednesday will be a normal day. If you have not already booked for these, please do. To book in for these please visit this [link](#). We would like to meet with all our school

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whanau. They are a great opportunity to meet with your child and their teacher to talk about their learning - what they are currently working on and their next steps. It then means we are all on the same page and united in how we can best work together.

### School Photos

These were taken on Tuesday and what a smart looking bunch we were. More details on how to purchase online will be sent out in the coming weeks.

### Camp Donation

As you are aware from above it is camp season at Ngunguru School. As a school we love being able to offer annual camps. They expose our students to new experiences in a safe and secure way. They also develop deeper class connections and build a team ethos. To be able to offer camps we require whanau donations to cover

some of the camp associated costs. Donations for the Tai Timu and Tai Pari camps can be made through Kindo. If your child attended camp and you are able to make a donation please do so, visit Kindo here.

### End of Term Break

Just a reminder that the term one break starts next Friday the 12th of April and term two starts Monday the 29th of April. There will be a Powhiri on Monday the 29th of April to welcome our new students and their whanau.

Have a great weekend everyone! As always, my door is always open

Ngā mihi nui,

Rosemary Murphy



## OPC Fundraiser

Friday 12th April

Sausages \$2 - order by 9am [click here](#)

*Thanks to Hellers & FoNS for supporting our Year 7/8 Hillary Outdoors fundraising!*



The EPro8 Challenge is a science and engineering competition. Every year over 25,000 students from throughout New Zealand take part. These events are designed to promote science, engineering and problem solving.

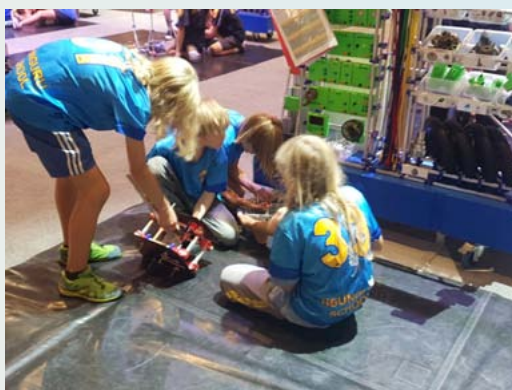
### Ngunguru - The Grandfinal

Our Year 7 and 8 team chose to complete a challenge in the final that involved constructing a fully operational electrical curtain rail that not only closed (via a laser) when the sun set, but also opened when the sun was rising. Using a pulley system, electrical motors and gearing - their design worked without fault. They completed this component with full marks and even had time to start the next challenge.

It was a close finish with Kokopu School closing the gap with allocated points. Superb team work from our Ngunguru superstars saw them construct a model toaster that powered the toast out of their design and well into the air. Following the criteria of the challenge, Ngunguru flew into the lead and took out the regional final! A superb effort from a team of young, capable engineers!



Students from left to right:  
Sam Evans, Sam Gittos, Malachi Gane and Henry Bedell



The kaupapa of our Noho Marae camp was to live our school pepeha, and that we certainly did. What a magical two days making connections with our whenua and haukainga. We walked, listened, learnt, paddled, hosted, connected, gazed, and most of all had loads of fun with each other. What a very special experience - one we'll never forget.

A big thank you to Marlene Penehio, Basil Hauraki, Arvay Armstrong-Read, Erica Wellington, Rosie Wellington, the Moana Nui & Mitimataga waka crew for your korero and guidance. Also to all the staff and parents who participated in our camp, we greatly appreciate your time and couldn't have done it without you.



**We appreciate your contribution to camp costs, please click on links below to make a donation.**

**Year 5-6 camp [click here](#)**

**Year 7-8 camp [click here](#)**

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9th and 10th April  
 3 Way Conferences  
 Tue 9 Apr 1:00pm - 6:45pm  
 Wed 10 Apr 2024 3:00pm - 5:45pm  
[www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)  
 Enter the code: cqvd4

12th April  
 OPC fundraiser Sausage Sizzle  
[click here](#) to order  
 12th April  
 Last day term one  
 4th of June  
 Teacher only day



### After-school care survey

Feedback about our current after-school care programme closes on Friday 12th April, [click here](#) to complete the survey.

**Netball is back for 2024!**

*We have room for more players!!*

**All ages welcome!**

**Learn some skills, improve your confidence & co-ordination, have fun, and represent our awesome Kura!**

If your Tamariki has not yet put their name down and is keen to play netball this season please contact us asap so we can get them registered or give you more info.  
 Ngunguru School Netball Coordinator  
**Emma - emmapearceonline@gmail.com, 02108035704**

### Kamo High School - 2025 Enrolments

[Click here](#) for full details.

**SKY'S SURF SCHOOL**  
 DATE: 14th - 16th April // 17th - 19th April  
 LOCATION: Taupo Bay Northland NZ

**SURF CAMP**

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[click here](#) for more information

**school holiday program**

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Monday 15th - Friday 19nd April  
 8:30 - 4:00pm

details & registration  
[www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz](http://www.northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz)  
[christian@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz](mailto:christian@northlandfutsalacademy.co.nz)  
 021 246 7328

**NORTHLAND FUTSAL ACADEMY**

**HALF MARATHON 2024**

The CAPE EGMONT

Run - Walk - Team Events  
 14th July - 8am  
 Oxford Road Okato Taranaki  
 Virtual event July 1 to July 21  
 ENTRIES OPEN NOW [www.capeegmonthalf.com](http://www.capeegmonthalf.com)

Cancer Society

**IBDO**

**PARIHAKA Trail Run**

**SUN 07 APR**

[www.runwalkseries.co.nz](http://www.runwalkseries.co.nz)

### Keyboard Lessons

Keyboard Lessons with Julie Jensen will resume in term two. If you would like to enrol for these please contact Julie on 02102377780.

### Dive into Dance with WADPA's April Workshop!

Gear up for a thrilling three-day dance journey this April school break! Enrollment is now open for our dynamic workshop, welcoming dancers in two age brackets: 7-12 and 12+, from the 15th to the 17th of April. For more information, reach out to us at [holly@wadpadance.nz](mailto:holly@wadpadance.nz)