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### TE KĀPEHU WHETŪ

Pou hīhiri Pou rārama

Tenei te pou o te whare mātauranga, te kaupapa e tū nei Ū te pou, kia hui te ora ki runga i a tātou
Kia puta ki te whai ao
Ki te ao mārama
Tihei Mauriora.....

Last week Te Matatini o Te Kāhui Maunga dominated news threads, social media and our Kura. Every whare had TV on and assembled to watch many kapa haka groups perform. There were many whanaunga and connects throughout, including Hatea, Te Puu Ao and Muriwhenua. All three roopu had ex-students and ex-staff performing. Very proud moments for TKW.

Te Toa Whakaihuwaka – Te Kapa Haka o Ngāti Whakaue....Supreme Winner for 2025
It was particularly poignant for us as this is also Tā Bom's people who we met in Italy. Mīharo!!!



Kapa haka will continue to dominate our Kia Māori and Kia Tū Rangatira space this term:

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March **Te Ahuareka o Ngati Hine Festival** – All 4x whare will stand

Wednesday 9th April **Tai Tokerau Kapa Haka - 50 Years Festival** – Tuakana only

Then last day of school for most of the Kura is Friday 11th April...BUT we havent finished yet

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025 Leadership Academy of A Company 13<sup>th</sup> Intake, starts

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April 13<sup>th</sup> Intake March out Parade

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April ANZAC Day attendance

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April Support for Chief Luke and Whanau

More details on all three events will be sent out closer to the dates....Kia pai te wiki!

Whaea Rae POUHERE

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### **ATTENDANCE**

The evidence is very clear that attendance is a key driver of learners' achievement, their wellbeing, and their lifelong outcomes. Regular attendance has a big impact: the more often children attend school, the better they do at school, the happier they are, and the better they are set up for life.

The government has set an attendance target for 2030.

80% of students to be attending 90% of the time (max of 5 days absence per term)

Currently across the country only 53% of students are.

Unfortunately in 2024 TKW's regular attendance was less than this.

We need to work together whanau to get the best outcomes for our tamariki!

We understand that there are valid and important reasons for ākonga to be out of school at times and this is ok but please let the tari know when and why your child is absent.

Tari Year 7-13 ring Whaea Jackie: (09) 955 9996

Tari Year 1-6 ring Whaea Sam: (09) 438 8033

### Automated text notification of absence

We will be reinitiating our automated text message system for absences this week. If your child is marked with an unknown absence in the morning an automatic text message is sent to the primary caregiver(s) to notify them.

Last year this made a significant difference to the number of unjustified absences we have. If you would like to discuss your tamaiti's absence either contact the tari or email your child's Pouwhakahaere. In addition, you will get a term update of your child's attendance at Kura and we will be notify whanau who have children consistently absent and/or late.





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### **PAENUKU**

### PAENUKU WÄNANGA PAENUKU HUHUA!!!



### KO TE MANAAKI I TE KUPU KI TE ATUA!

Te whakarangatira ake i ngā kupu tuatahi o te rā ki te atua. Ko ia te tīmatanga me te mutunga o ngā mea katoa.



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### KO TE RITE, KIA RITE!!!

Paeruku Huhua E RUA NGA WAIATA HOU KUA AKO MAI KI NGA WIKI E RUA KUA HORI!!! E AO TE HAKA KI NGA TAMARIKI O PAENUKU!

Te Po Rukuruku
THA KI ROTO, HA KI WAHO, NOHO
MAURITAU, KO OU WHAKAARO NUI KI A
RANGINUI, KO TO TINANA, KA
WHAKAWHENUA KI A PAPATUANUKU

Te Pakari Tinana KO TE PAKARI TINANA, KO TE PAKARI WHAKAARO KIA ORA AI TE WHARE TAPAWHA. WHUEEEE!!!



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MĀ TE TUAKANA, KA
AKO AI TE TEINA, MĀ
TE TEINA, KA TIKA AI
TE TUAKANA
He maha ngā kaupapa
ka arahi nei ngā
tuakana i ngā teina o
Paenuku. Anei tetahi o
ngā uara tuakana, teina
ka mahi tātou!





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### **TANERORE & HINEREHIA**

E PAKARI KAHA ANA NGĀ TEINA ME NGĀ TUAKANA O PAENUKU KI TE AKO I NGĀ ĀHUATANGA WHAKARITE KI TE TŪ KI TE ĀHUAREKA O NGĀTI HINE.

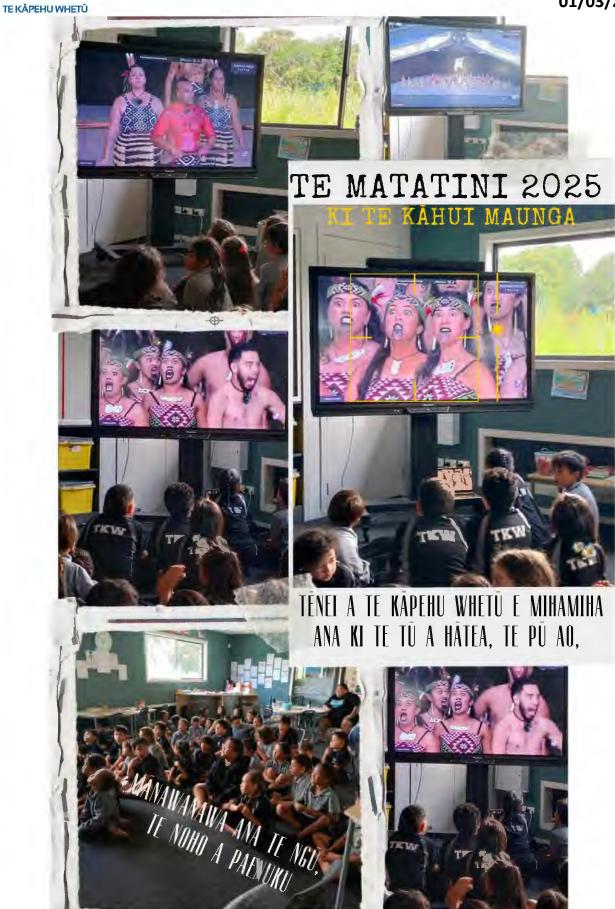


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### WALKING BUS

Due to the thick congested, it is now becoming unsafe to use the Rori Matua. THE WALKING BUS TO BERNARD STREET IS NOW IN FULL SWING & A LOT SAFER FOR OUR TAMARIKI.

### HEALTHY KAI

Its great to see some beautiful healthy kai in the tamariki lunch boxes.

Paenuku encourage healthy eating for a healthy mindset.

Kia kaha e te whānau ki te manaaki i te kai!

### CONGESTED CAR PARK

PLEASE REFRAME FROM PARKING OUTSIDE THE MOKOPUNA GATES. ALL PARKING ALONG THE PAENUK WHARE ARE DESIGNATED TO MOKOPUNA WHANAU ONLY!

### KURA HOURS

We have been seeing tamariki been dropped to kura before 8am in the mornings

8.20am... is the earliest our tamariki can arrive at kura. Please do not drop tamariki off before this time 3-3.15pm Please communicate to the tari ASAP if you are unable to collect your child/ren by this time

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### **PAENUKU HAUORA**

### Nau mai Dennaye - Our new nurse

We welcome Dennaye to Paenuku Tuesday afternoons. If you would like your child to be seen by the nurse for a medical check, please let Whaea Sam at the tari know.

### Friendly reminders

POTAI - Please ensure your child brings a potai to kura every day. Our policy "No Hat, No Play" is to keep your child safe from getting sunstroke. We will keep them in the shaded areas if they do not bring their hat.

### **POUNAMU = Drink Bottle**

Please supply your child with their own drink bottle. We have filtered cold water available for all our ākonga, however we do not want them sharing drink bottles.

NO WHEELS AT KURA We have a No Wheels policy at Paenuku, unless your child has been given permission by a parent/caregiver to ride their bike to kura. Once at kura, the bikes will be parked up until kura finishes. The responsibility of their bike is your child's. If you wish to bring a padlock, kei te pai.

### New counselling service

We now have a social worker/counsellor, Whaea Molly, here at TKW working between both the Teina and Tuakana sites. If you would like support for your tamariki please speak with their teacher or Whaea Karlene. Whaea Molly will be at Paenuku Tuesday mornings and Tuakana Tuesday afternoons. For any inquiries, please contact your child's teacher or Whaea Karlene.



Mana Ake works with local school communities to enhance wellbeing outcomes for tamariki.

It provides strengths based, evidence informed wellbeing and mental health support to children in the context of their school, whânau, community and natural networks of support.



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### **PAETATA**



### Kia Māori - Kia Mātau - Kia Tū Rangatira Ai

### PĀNUI MŌ TE WIKI TUATORU

Tenā koutou e te whānau o Paetata.

We are settling into our whare for the term quite nicely. Our ākonga have made themselves familiar with their new environment and getting into the flow of the Paetata whare. We are excited for what's ahead and looking forward to embracing the journey together.



### TE MATATINI

This week, Paetata focused on researching three kapa haka rōpū that performed at this year's Te Matatini. After gathering information about each group, they presented their findings to the class, sharing insights on their performances and unique cultural elements. We would like to acknowledge our 4 Te Tai Tokerau roopu who performed this year. E mihi ana ki a rātou.

### HĪKOI MAUNGA

This week, ākonga embarked on their first hīkoi up Parihaka Maunga, the first of many to come. Our kura is in a prime location in terms of understanding our local history. We quite literally have all of these rich stories at our front door, which we are very fortunate to be surrounded by. Maunga, Awa, & Kōrero tuku iho.



Whāia te mātauranga hei oranga mā te ngahere. Seek knowledge for the well-being of the forest.

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### TE KĀPEHU WHETŪ

### **WEEK 3 PĀNUI**

### HĪKOI MAUNGA

These haerenga serve multiple purposes, providing positive whanaungatanga by strengthening connections among ākonga and Pouako, and the wider community. Promoting physical well-being through movement, mental well-being through time spent in nature, and spiritual well-being by engaging with the whenua & localising our curriculum.



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### KAUPAPA WAKA

This week with waka, Paetata and Whaea
Joelene focused on learning how to tie strong
and useful knots to help secure and keep
things safe. They also painted some of the hoe
and practiced lashing techniques on the front
of the waka, developing important skills in waka
maintenance and the importance of how to take
proper care of her.

### REMINDERS

- Monday Hīkoi Maunga, please ensure your child has appropriate walking shoes
- Drink bottles and Hats are a must.
- Paetata Basketball, Friday afternoons
- Phones, go to Whaea Kay every morning and returned end of day
- Kapa Haka, Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday



Mā te waka, Mā te hoe, ka taea ai

By the canoe and the paddle, it can be achieved

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### **PAETAWHITI**

# PHETHWHIT

Kia Māori:
We validate Māori
knowledge and validate
Māori ways of learning.
We have a strong
sense of identity.

Kia Mātau:
We empower our
ākonga to develop their
approach to learning
that will allow them to
achieve goals that they
set themselves.

Kia Tū Rangatira Ai: We provide an environment for the development of strong character and personal excellence so that ākonga understand how to conduct themselves honourably in the world.





### KIA MATAU - AROMATAWAI

Paetawhiti ākonga have been working diligently to complete their English literacy assessment in reading and writing to determine their beginning of the year baseline levels. This data will be collated to determine what each ākonga knows and what they need to learn next. Assessments will continue in Week 4 for Numeracy and Te Reo Māori.

KO AU TE TAIAO - KO TE TAIAO KO AU.

CREATING A POSITIVE SAFE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT IN
PAETAWHITI! WHERE ĀKONGA FEEL MOTIVATED TO
PARTICIPATE IN ASSESSMENTS!

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### PALEKS PALEKS

KIT MÄIORI. WE VALIDATTE MÄIORI KNOMLELIGE AND VALIDATTE MÄIORI WÄLKON I LÄRNING, WE FIÄVE ÄKTRONG SENSE OF IDENTITY.

KH M/TTAU:
WE EMPOWER OUR AKONGELTO
DEVELOP THEIR APPROACH TO
LETRNING THEFT WILL ALLOW
THEM TO ACHEVE GOODS
THEFT THEY SET
THEMSELVES

KELTŪ RANGITURA AL WE PRONDE AN ENVIRONMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF STRONG CHARACTER AND PERSONAL EXCELLENCE SO THATT AKONGA UNDERSTAND HOW TO CONDUCT THEMSELVES HONOURABLYIN THE WORLD.



### KIA MAORI, KIA TU RANGATIRA AI, KIA MATAU

This week Paetawhiti ākonga have dived into graphic Design with NGEN Room. NGEN Room offers high tech programs for rangatahi and adults and is right next to our Tuakana whare!



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### **PAERANGI**

Our akonga are working well across the 3 pou and with a full and varied schedule every week there is not time for rest, they need to make sure they make every minute count.

### Kia Māori

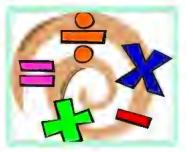
Kapa Haka training is underway with practises on Tuesdays and Thursdays. It is good to see our Paerangi ākonga slowly stepping up in their leadership here and being good role models for our teina. Our Year 11-13 tane have had 2 sessions now with Staff Gene working on improving their mihimihi delivery and content, we are looking forward to seeing this in action at Wa Whakarite.



### Kia Mātau

**Te Reo Māori.** This term's focus is on writing, tuhituhi. The focus of the Year 11's mahi is Nga Manu Korero and the revitalization of Te Reo Maori, while the Year 12 and 13 ākonga are devising some creative writing as well as presenting findings on a famous Māori leader or event for Māori people. Ākonga are allowed to work on this mahi at home if they choose.

**Mathematics** Our Year 11s are working on number, measurement and geometry skills so they can solve tasks that have real life applications. Later in the term we will be revising our numeracy skills for the common assessment activity in Term 2 which is required to successfully pass NCEA.



The Year 12s are working on trigonometry involving the area and sides of the land measurements and surveying and the Year 13s are working on statistics and gaining credits towards University Entrance in Mathematics.

Stay tuned for information about English, Business and Physical Education next week.

### Kia Tū Rangatira Ai

### The Maara

On Wednesday a group of Year 11 boys were a great awhi to Staff Gene and elders as they spent the day harvesting crops and replanting banana palms. They worked hard and gained valuable knowledge, which they enjoyed sharing when they returned to kura. Thank you for your awhi and excellent work ethic!

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### Rangatahi Coaching workshop

On Friday a group of akonga attended the Whangarei Rangatahi Coaching workshop held at Kensington Stadium. The main focus of the day was to gain insight into the basic fundamentals of coaching and leadership skills. Regional Sports Organisation were present to work with students in different codes. Overall the had an excellent day and have gained new knowledge and skills to share with peers and teina in kura.



### **Platoon Challenge Time!**

This week saw Katipo, Mako, and Tui competing in Ripper Rugby. Platoons were separated into Year 7-9 and Year 10-13 and the battle was on. It became quite evident early on that it was the juniors who were the stars on the day with some having to play up in the Year 10-13 teams as well due to their platoons not having enough players. Super star Anahera Aekins (Year 9) ending up playing 4 games straight for Tui! Legend!

Unfortunately we ran out of time and the final 2 games will be played on Monday where we will see which platoon will come out triumphant as the overall winner for this week's challenge.





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### **TUAKANA HAUORA**

### **ENERGY DRINKS**

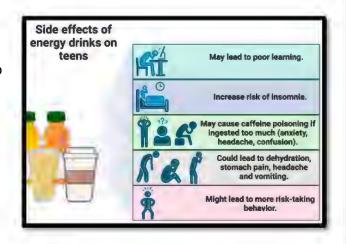
We are seeing far too many ākonga arriving at school drinking energy drinks. These are not part of our kaupapa and detrimental to your health. Please encourage tamariki to choose healthy drinks.

### Wai Māori is the best, and the only acceptable drink at our Kura.

Energy Drinks are not recommended for people under the age of 16 and there are very good reasons for this. These drinks have large amounts of caffeine in them. Caffeine is a psychoactive stimulant drug that acts on the central nervous system, alters brain function, acts as a diuretic, and elevates blood pressure and metabolic rate. Adverse effects from caffeine include anxiety, headaches, insomnia, irritation of the gastrointestinal tract, nausea and depression.

Many of these energy drinks also have guarana, taurine, ginseng, and/or l-carnitine in them. Despite the claims they can boost energy and mood they also can come with side effects including heart palpitations, insomnia, headaches, seizures, anxiety, nervousness, upset stomach, shakiness.

Then there is the high sugar content. One small V can has approx 5 teaspoons of sugar, and one can of Monster (480ml) has a massive 12 teaspoons. Some of our ākonga are having one of these for breakfast!





If a student has an energy drink during kura hours we will remove it from them, they are not conducive to learning and not part of our Kaupapa at Te Kāpehu Whetū.

Please encourage your tamariki to make wise choices when buying their own kai and drink. There is nothing in these energy drinks they need and the negative effects outweigh any taste highlights they may enjoy.

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### **KEY DATES FOR TERM 1**

**TERM 1: WEEK 4** 

4<sup>th</sup> March Sport Northland Yr7-8 Girls Tag TBC

**WEEK 5:** 

11<sup>th</sup> March YES Kick-start Event – Paerangi (Business class)

13<sup>th</sup> March Action Matakana – Paerangi

**WEEK 6:** 

20<sup>th</sup> March Tuakana whare – Hui Whakapiki 3.30-6.30pm

**WEEK 7:** 

28<sup>th</sup> March Te Ahuareka o Ngati Hine Festival – All whare

**WEEK 9:** 

9<sup>th</sup> April Tai Tokerau Kapa Haka Festival – Tuakana

11<sup>th</sup> April Last Day of Term 1 – School Holidays start

**School Holidays:** 

14<sup>th</sup> April Leadership Academy of A Company Intake starts

24<sup>th</sup> April Intake March Out

25<sup>th</sup> April Attend ANZAC Day celebrations 26<sup>th</sup> April Support Chief Luke & Whanau

TERM 2: WEEK 1

29th April TUESDAY First Day of Term 2

(Please note: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April is a Ministry of Education 'Teachers' only day designated for development of the new

curriculum)

### Dates still to be confirmed:

- Paenuku Whanau WEAPS hui

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### **KAUPAPA**



We believe passionately in our culture, our people, our ākonga, and we know that through hard work, commitment, and focused support they will achieve within the Kura and beyond. We do this hereby acknowledging the 28 Māori Battalion and the price paid for citizenship, so that 'we' can "Navigate Māori Futures".

To do this we commit to success in all its forms:

### Kia Māori - Be Māori - Be

An education that validates Māori knowledge and ways of learning.

### Kia Mātau - Be Knowledgeable - Know

Encouraging innovation, inquiry, the development of specialised knowledge and skills.

### Kia Tū Rangatira Ai – Be Rangatira – Do

Development of strong character and personal excellence, living with mana.

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**Raewyn Tipene** 

**POUHERE** 

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