



Thursday 6 March 2025

This week's PB4L Focus: Compassion



This week, we explored the power of kindness and how small actions make a big difference. Students discussed ways to help others, whether by including someone new, using kind words, or offering support when needed. Through stories, songs, and role-play, we practiced showing kindness in different situations. Ask your child about one act of kindness they did this week and how it made them feel.

He aha te tupu i Tirimoana! What's happening at Tirimoana!

Over the past two weeks teachers and children have been completing assessments in classes from Year 3 to Year 6. The data from these assessments helps teachers to identify gaps and next steps for learning, and to identify both high achieving students, and lower achieving ones needing extra support.

Primarily our school uses Progress and Achievement Tests (PATs) and eASttle tests in writing and mathematics. PATs help us compare children's achievement in relation to children of the same age anywhere in New Zealand. Both assessment tools have been recommended by the Ministry of Education for primary age students.

In Years 1 and 2, teachers are completing assessments in Reading (BSLA), Writing and Mathematics. Year 1 teachers have begun the cycle of Ministry of Education Phonics checks.



Positive Engagement in the Classroom

One of our current Strategic Goals is to focus on positive student engagement in learning. However, many teachers have noticed a growing tendency by some children to believe that they can opt out of learning tasks, say 'no' to teachers' instructions, or use throw-away comments like "I don't have to; it is boring; why should I?"

Our message to children is that everyone follows the teacher's instructions, and learning is not optional. Do not be surprised if we speak with any parents about children who need further understanding of what is expected of them in the classroom. Our aim is for every child to be a positively engaged learner, at their level. No child has the right to refuse reasonable instruction by the teacher.

Please support teachers by reinforcing this message with your children.

Senior Athletics Day



Today our children in Year 4-6 classes participated in Athletics. It was a fun, action packed day, with many children applying great effort in their activities. Thank you to our teachers for organising the event, and to the many parents who popped in to offer encouragement for their children.

School Athletics: Junior School tomorrow



Junior School Year 1-3: Friday 7th March 9.00am
 Students may wear active/sports wear from home , (don't forget your sunhat)
 Parents are welcome to come to support your child.
 There will be a coffee cart at school.



Kia ora and Welcome to
 Tirimanoana School



Year 1	Scott	Methuka	Nola	Johnny
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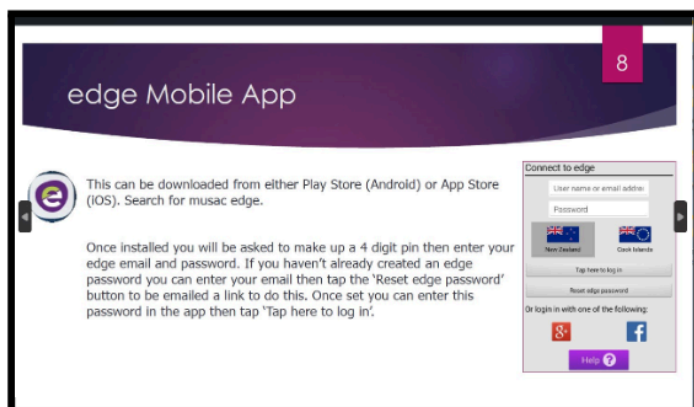
The PTA is holding it Annual General Meeting in the staffroom on **Tuesday 11 March** at 7.30pm



You are all welcome to attend and enjoy a Wine and Cheese evening , meet new parents and also help plan fundraising for the school this year
 We always welcome new ideas
 PTA Committee



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SCHOOL EVENTS Term 1 2025						
Week 6 10-14 March			PTA AGM 7.30pm	Year 3 Trip to Kiwi valley Zonal Athletics	Year 1 and 2 Swimming starts Y3 Trip to Kiwi Valley	Year 6 Trip to Aotea Centre
Week 7 17-21 March				Mobile Library Bus at school	Year 1 and 2 Swimming starts	
Week 8 24-29 March					Year 1 and 2 Swimming	
Week 9 31 March-4 April					Year 1 and 2 Swimming Year 5 to Hoani Waititi Marae	
Week 10 7-11 April				Ki o rahi Zonal @Rutherford College	Year 1 and 2 Swimming	Last day of term 1. School finishes at 3pm



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