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## Mihi

*Ko te mihi tuatahi ki tō tātou matua nui i te rangi, ko ia te timatanga me te whakamutunga o ngā mea katoa.*

*Tuarua ki tō tātou Kīngi Māori a Tuheitia e noho mai ra ki runga i te ahurewa tapu o tōna whaea ōna mātua tipuna kia piki te kaha me te māramatanga o te runga rawa ki runga i a ia, me tōna hoa ranagatira me a rāua tamariki tae atu ki tōna whare kahui ariki, rire, rire... paimarire.*



*“Whāngai te iti kahurangi”*

# Mai te Tumuaki

*"He mihi atu ki a koutou i tēnei wā"*  
*Greetings to you all at this time*

We have reached that time of the year when everybody is winding down for Christmas, except us.

These are our busiest times of the year. Kura Teina & Kura Waenga had Tainui Waka Primary Schools Competitions, and Kura Teina are also representing us at the Hauraki Festival. An event we have supported for over 20 years.

Senior Wharekura are busy completing assignments, sitting exams and planning career pathways.

Teachers apart from teaching, tutoring & coaching have end of year tests to administer and reports to write. Senior management have prize giving awards and trophies to begin processing prior to end of year requirements.

We would like to extend our heart felt thanks to our kura community for your continued support.

Prizegivings this year are in three parts. All during the day at kura, and YES parents are invited to attend. Marquee's will be on field to sit under.

**Kura Teina - Monday 12th December 10am**

**Kura Waenga - Tuesday 13th December 10am**

**Wharekura - Wednesday 14th December 10am**

Students will go home on the bus as usual and their prizegiving is their official last day of Kura.

Lunch and farewells will occur for students only.

Our building projects are well under way, **Te Tihi Ki Mānono**, our senior Wharekura complex is well advanced and looks magnificent.

**Te Kōhanga Reo o Te Kaokaoroa o Pātetere** is down on her piles and renovations begin ready for the new year.

2023 is a huge year for us. We have 30 new students on our waiting list ready to come, and 15 on our kōhanga list. If you have new enrolments, I suggest you begin these now to secure your position for 2023

**Friday 28th of April** will need to be in your calendar. We will be celebrating our 21st birthday as a kura and a day of sport. Kapa Haka and whanaungatanga is planned for all alumni (ex-students & whanau) to get together and celebrate. Contact anybody who has been here and save the date.

Please keep yourselves well and return ready for new opportunities.

*Matua Keith*  
*Tumuaki*

**Rārangi Kura:**  
**The school roll is: 277**



**Te Tihi Ki Mānono Wharekura Block**



**Te Kōhanga Reo o Te Kaokaoroa o Pātetere**

*"Whāngai te iti kahurangi"*

- Tamariki to be in Number 1 Uniform
- Reports and School Photo's will be given out after Prize giving

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Tuesday 13th Decemer - Kura Waenga  
Wednesday 14th Decemer - Wharekura  
All prizegivings will commence at 10am**



## Term 4 Pōwhiri

The 17th of October saw our kura host the biggest powhiri to date with both Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Hiringa and Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Koutu in attendance. We welcomed our two new kaiako, Matua Takarihi who has joined our ohu Teina and Whaea Wairuaiti who has joined our Ohu Waenga. We also welcomed our new Learning Support Co-ordinator, Matua Levon who has taken over from Matua Raniera. All manuwhiri were then treated to yummy sandwiches from Subway, which were a hit for all our tamariki.



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# Kaakaoroa House Comp 2022

After two years of holding our annual Kaakaoroa house competition in seperate ohu, on the 28th of September we were excited to be able to come together as a whole kura to celebrate and compete all together. The day was filled with delicious kai, awesome dances and lots of smiles and laughter.

A massive congratulations to **Tautoko** for winning this years House competition !!!!



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# Kura Teina

## New Staff

Nau mai, hoki mai e te rangatira, e Matua Takarihi ki tō ūkaipō. At the start of this Term, we welcomed Matua Takarihi Temarama to Ohu Teina. Matua Takarihi is a senior teacher with many years teaching experience and valuable skills to offer to students and colleagues alike.

We also take this opportunity to welcome Matua Levon Dennison. Matua Levon is a Learning Support Co-ordinator who will be working with some of our students to accelerate learning.

## Kapahaka

On 12 November our Ohu took the stage at the Tainui Regional Primary Schools Kapa Haka Competition in Huntly. For some of our tamariki it was a first, and they did exceptionally well coming 11th out of 15 teams. He poho kererū a koutou pakeke!

E rerekau ana ngā tai o mihi ki a Whaea Faye, koutou ko Matua Puna, ko Matua Pou, ko Ahumai Kingi, ko Isaiah Harris, ko Sam Harris koutou ko Chrissy Harris, huri noa ki ngā kaiako katoa o te kura nei, me te whānau whānui i tautoko i a mātou.

## Reminders

Children have been misplacing valuable uniforms and you can help at home by clearly labelling, and reminding them to put clothing in bags as soon as they disrobe

Get in touch with your child's kaiako if you are not already on our Class Dojo portal, or Kura Facebook page.

## KA MAHIA

**28 Nov**

Rā Kaiaka

**30 NOV**

Haerenga Wharepuhunga and Te Awamutu Water Park

**1 Dec**

Haerenga Ōkauia & Opal Hot Springs

**9 Dec**

Prizegiving and Rā Whakamutunga **(Ohu Teina only)**



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# OHU waenga



## Mā te huruhuru ka rere te manu!!

(Adorn the bird with feathers so that it may soar.)

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

### HAERENGA MUTUNGA TAU

We are in full swing as we finalise the plans for our end of year trip. With just over a week left, the excitement is building from one kaupapa to the next.

On Tuesday, a pānui outlining key information and consent forms that are necessary before we go was sent home and put on Tīemiemi (Seesaw online classroom). Please make sure to return these back to kura by the end of the week.

This trip is seen as part of a typical teaching week, therefore it is not an opt-in option. Instead, we would really love to take all of our tamariki on this trip in order to broaden their horizons and expose them to experiences that are different from the classroom.

This Friday, all payments are due. Please contact us if money is a problem so we can make arrangements for you. The most important thing is that all of our kids go on the trip.

You can reach Whaea Sam at kura if you have any questions or concerns, but please refer them to the classroom kaiako in the first instance.

### WHAKATAETAE Ā ROHE – TAINUI WAKA KAPA HAKA

Our kura waenga tamariki gave an excellent performance, and we are incredibly proud of the dedication, effort, and tenacity that each and every one of them exhibited during the campaign. The campaign got off to a strong start right away and gradually improved to a substantial degree. The bracket was appropriate for their age and gave our Raukawatanga a solid representation.

Tutors and Kaiako put in a lot of effort to make sure our tamariki were ready, loved, at ease, and fed. The kids learned Raukawa-specific whakapapa and kōrero while they practised their bracket, which gave them a sense of belonging while also allowing them to relate to the topics they were singing and performing about. The teaching quality was exceptional.

Our kura waenga team will compete at the National Kapa Haka competition in Nelson next year due to their outstanding placing at the regionals.

We owe a debt of gratitude to many because, as we well know, no matter how small a contribution any of you contributed, it all helped to progress us forward. Every campaign we undertake has key players who keep the wheels turning and without their consistent encouragement, our campaign would not have been successful.

We would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to:

- **Tutors & Kura Waenga Kaiako**
- **Matua Emerson – Written Compositions**
- **Latoya Leef-Graham - Music Scores**
- **Kāhui Tautoko – Matua Keith, Whaea April, Matua Aaron, Matua Keihana, Matua Tohi, Arihia Pomare, Caleb Marsh-Wilkinson, Whetu Tai-Rakena & Matua Kelly**
- **Our Cooks - Whaea Faye, Kortz, Whaea Bridget, Whaea Michelle, Herani, Theresa, Amo, Norma-Jean, Ngaire and Richard**

Last but not least, congratulations to our tamariki for sticking with it and putting your trust in us to get you ready for the competition; you all did us proud! We wish all the best to our year 8 students who will transfer to wharekura next year and hope they continue their haka journey and take everything they have learned in kura waenga with them.

#### KAPA HAKA NATIONALS – NELSON

Our kura waenga team will compete in the National Kapa Haka competition in Nelson next year after placing at the Tainui regionals. The planning for accommodation and transportation has already started. We will require a considerable sum of money for a trip of this nature due to the associated costs. To cover expenditures, we will seek out funds and start fundraising initiatives. We are making it known in advance that kaihaka will be expected to take part in fundraising activities and pay a fee. For our tamariki, this will be a fantastic chance to experience haka at its finest



## PRIZE GIVING

The presenting of awards is always a highly exciting time because it recognises students for their academic ability in various subjects. Students results undergo a process of elimination. The recipients of each award are often chosen based on assessment information, classroom observations, anecdotal notes from teachers, and wānanga had by kaiako. Age, year group, time spent in immersion, grades in core subjects, attitude, effort, attendance, and consistency are a few other factors that are taken into account. Final results are collectively agreed upon and supported by all kura waenga kaiako. We take selection very seriously and are confident that we give awards to children who rightly deserve them.

## PŪTAKE TAIAO

Kura Waenga had the privilege to take part in the 'Pūtake Taiao' project. This was an excellent chance to take our children outside to observe the work being done to keep our taiao as kaitiaki protected.

The trip included:

- A brief trip into the ngahere to call Kōkako (one of the five original spots where the Kōkako are still indigenous to the region)
- A kōrero on the Kōkako recovery plan.
- A kōrero on Mokaihaha.
- A stroll through the ngahere to view a few traplines and talk about trapping in the region.
- A visit to Urewera Pā

We thank Anaru Begbie for allowing us to participate in this kaupapa and look forward to more in the near future.



## KAUKAU – SWIMMING

Kura will begin swimming in the afternoons next week. All three ohu will be timetabled accordingly. Togs and towels should be packed for the week so that we can leave them at kura. This will prevent kids from forgetting their togs.

We would like all of our pupils to be able to swim because it is an essential life skill to acquire so they can be safe around water.

## KĀKĀHU KURA

As summer approaches, our tamariki may experience very hot days. It is advised that your tamariki dress appropriately so that they can go about their day as comfortably as possible. Heavy clothes and gumboots are no longer necessary. In order to protect themselves from the sun while on the playground or outside, students can now wear shorts, sandals, and black or dark blue hats.

## AROMATAWAI & PŪRONGO

We are now assessing our students in order to get ready for end-of-year reports and academic graduation. This is often a very demanding time, particularly when other kaupapa have taken precedence and there is only a small window to assess each student across the curriculum. Kaiako value this time as it helps us better understand learning behaviours and how our ākongā think.

# Wharekura - NZQA Exam Timetable

Exams available digitally shown in blue

Date	Time	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Scholarship
Mon 7 Nov	9.30 am	Te Reo Rangatira	Physics	Business Studies	Agricultural & Horticultural Science
	2.00 pm	Chinese Chinese (Mandarin)	Media Studies	Dance	Calculus
Tue 8 Nov	9.30 am	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Art History	Statistics	
	2.00 pm	Geography	Spanish	Te Reo Rangatira Cook Islands Māori	Drama
Wed 9 Nov	9.30 am	Lea Faka-Tonga	Mathematics & Statistics		Biology
	2.00 pm	Music	Accounting	History	French
Thu 10 Nov	9.30 am	Mathematics & Statistics		Making Music Japanese	Classical Studies
	2.00 pm	Korean	Drama	Samoa	Statistics
<b>CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY (Fri 11 Nov)</b>					
<b>WEEKEND</b>					
Mon 14 Nov	9.30 am	French	Te Reo Māori	Calculus	Samoa
	2.00 pm	Economics	Korean	Agricultural & Horticultural Science Chinese German	
Tue 15 Nov	9.30 am	Science	Social Studies		History
	2.00 pm	Samoa Gagana Sāmoa Spanish	Geography	Accounting	
Wed 16 Nov	9.30 am	Cook Islands Māori Reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani	English		Religious Studies
	2.00 pm	History	Chinese	Biology	German
Thu 17 Nov	9.30 am	English	Lea Faka-Tonga Cook Islands Māori		English
	2.00 pm	Drama	Chemistry	Health	Physics
Fri 18 Nov	9.30 am	Business Studies	History	Chemistry	Te Reo Rangatira
	2.00 pm	Biology	Music	Media Studies	Accounting
<b>WEEKEND</b>					
Mon 21 Nov	9.30 am	Art History Te Reo Māori	Japanese	Latin Social Studies Psychology	Chemistry
	2.00 pm	Classical Studies	Health	Economics	
Tue 22 Nov	9.30 am	Media Studies	Earth & Space Science	Drama Lea Faka-Tonga	Geography
	2.00 pm	Chemistry Chemistry & Biology	Classical Studies		Economics
Wed 23 Nov	9.30 am	Accounting		English	
	2.00 pm	Home Economics	Economics	Korean	Media Studies
Thu 24 Nov	9.30 am	German	Biology	Geography	
	2.00 pm	Dance	Te Reo Rangatira	Physics	
Fri 25 Nov	9.30 am	Physics Physics Earth & Space Science	Home Economics	Classical Studies	Te Reo Māori
	2.00 pm		German	Home Economics	Art History
<b>WEEKEND</b>					
<b>WESTLAND ANNIVERSARY DAY (Mon 28 Nov)</b>					
Tue 29 Nov	9.30 am	Japanese	Latin	Te Reo Māori	
	2.00 pm		French	Spanish	Latin
Wed 30 Nov	9.30 am	Religious Studies	Business Studies	French	Japanese
	2.00 pm	Latin	Agricultural & Horticultural Science		
Thu 1 Dec	9.30 am	Health	Education for Sustainability Samoa	Earth & Space Science	Chinese
	2.00 pm			Music Studies	Spanish
Fri 2 Dec	9.30 am	Social Studies	Dance	Art History	Earth & Space Science

# National Chess Tournament - Wharekura

Our Senior Chess Team who consists of Kaleb Snowden, Nuka August-Wheki, Ziah Senior, Ky-Mani Matchitt, Liucien August-Wheki and Duane-James August-Wheki were absolute stunning participants in this year's New Zealand National Chess Tournament, held in Rotorua over the Labour Weekend. This is no easy feat to ascertain, as each secondary school needs to attend Regional Tournaments to be able to qualify for the National Tournament and win the majority of the chess rounds. To do so, involves the individual to qualify for a rating, or in other words, in a Regional Tournament, a team of at least eight players each needs to win at least 5 out of the 7 games. This will solidify a place in Nationals. How absolutely marvellous it was for our Wharekura Regional Chess Team to make a Wharekura National Chess Team! The ONLY Wharekura in the country to do so. Exceptional to say the least!



Each player executed themselves in a manner that possessed the following qualities: adaptation, critical thinking, strategic applicator, emotionally resilient, patience, ambition and the ability to refocus and apply the learnings from each game. How proud it was to see such qualities inherently evident and present throughout the tournament! How pleasing it was to see each player hold themselves in a manner where it was beyond proud to be Māori, to be Raukawa, to be from Te Wharekura O Te Kaokaoroa O Pātetere!

Chess has no end! Our National Chess Team, Regional Chess Team and Sunday Chess Team will continue, and we look toward our final tournament in a few weeks time. We now total approximately 24 players. Outstanding! We continue to look forward to the growth, development and evolution of chess in our Wharekura.

In the words of Alan Rufus (1040-1093), "Life is like a game of chess. To win you need to make a move. Knowing which move to make comes with insight and knowledge and by learning the lessons that are accumulated along the way. We become each and every piece within the game called.... LIFE."



# Mud Run 2022 - Wharekura

This year we decided to change up the Wharekura Omaroa from our annual colour run and take on a more challenging course with our own version of the 'Tough guy/gal challenge'. Located on Rotorua Lakes beautiful 52 hectares of land, students had to make their way throughout the challenge, completing all obstacles on the way. It was an awesome yet, physically demanding course that included a variety of obstacles including, climbing over a 10 meter A frame wall, trekking through mud, army crawling under 20m of tarpaulin, running over hills and swimming through a freezing cold lake. Overall, Omaroa was a huge success with 100% participation and effort from all students involved.



# Ngā maunga o ngā rohe - Wharekura

Throughout Term 2, our Wharekura students were dedicated to the Kapa Haka campaign. In support of the Kapa Haka campaign, our Kaiako planned a weekly hāerenga for students who were in the Kapa Haka Non-Competitive Team. The focus of our hāerenga was to further develop students' understanding about hauora in all aspects of health and wellbeing, local environments/taiao and its key connections to us individually and collectively, as well as the history of each area. Students were physically and mentally challenged while strengthening their understanding and appreciation of historical land features within the Waikato, Raukawa & Waiariki regions.



## Hāerenga Tuatahi: Hakarimata Range

Our first hāerenga was to the beautiful, but steep Hakarimata Range in Huntly. This was an achievable challenge for our akonga. It brought about Kawea me Hiranga which are two of our uara o te kura. Although it was a challenge for a lot of our students, they pushed through and the sense of achievement and success that shone through in each of their faces and expressions after the hāerenga was fantastic to see.



## Hāerenga Tuarua: Arapuni/Waipā River Trail

Despite the rain, we continued ahead with our hāerenga ki Arapuni. Well prepared, we gave every student a poncho and we set off to cross the Waikato River by the Arapuni suspension bridge. This was a new experience for many of our students which again posed new challenges for our students. Some had fears of heights, some were unsure what to expect, however, we walked alongside each and every student to ensure their safety both emotionally and physically was maintained. After completing the loop back to the carpark, our roopu continued along the Waipā River trail to Jones Landing. The skies cleared and we enjoyed an amazing view from the lookout above Jones Landing.



## Hawkins House Competition Current Results 2022

	Mahitahi	Manaaki	Pono	Tautoko
Swimming	3	4	2	4
Cooking	3	1	2	4
Music	2	1	3	4
Art	1	3	2	4
Cross Country	3	4	2	4
Manu Korero	3	2	1	4
Athletics	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>24</b>

### Up Coming Events

#### November

- 22nd- 25th North Island Volleyball Champs Jnr
- 23rd Kura Waenga - Rā Kaiaka  
Kura Waenga - Quiz night
- 28th-2nd Kura Waenga Otaki  
Haerenga , Year 9/10 Camp

#### December

- 4th-11th Year 13 International Trip
- 8th Year 8 - Pōtaetanga
- 12th Kura Teina Prizegiving
- 13th Kura Waenga Prizegiving
- 14th Wharekura Prizegiving,  
**LAST DAY OF TERM 4**

#### January 2023

- 19th - 28th Office/Uniform Shop Open  
9am-2pm

#### February

- 7th **Waitangi Day - No Kura**
- 8th-11th Wharekura Camp

### KURA FEES

As the end of year is fast approaching, it is important your tamariki kura fees are paid in full and up to date.

Please make sure to have your accounts cleared by:

**Friday 9th December** as this is the last week of kura for the year.

If you have any queries please contact Whaea Janelle.

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