

# Ngāti Toa School

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## **Kathleen's Korero**

*He mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa*

It was lovely to meet some of our parents of our new entrants yesterday and we look forward to meeting more of you on Friday.

We value our partnership with you all and we see this as a great opportunity for us to share some of our school curriculum and the way we do things here at kura but also to hear about all the learning that is already happening at home.

The partnership between parents and teachers is a powerful force. We are hoping that by communicating regularly and sharing observations we can better understand each child's unique strengths and needs. Please know that our doors are always open for whānau to drop in for a kōrero.

*Kia pai tō wiki whakamutunga - Kathleen*

## **Cross Country**

Congratulations to the following children Jaylen, Masa, Marley, Tyler, Tiana, Tu R, Mila, Joel, Naera, Melody, Victor, Jax, Legend, Kaito, Akaina, Levi, Manaia, Lyric, Serena, Josh, Nate and Jasper.

These children will be representing our school on 24 May for Cluster Cross Country.

A separate notice went home on Monday with more information. Please check your child's bag.

## **Kids Tryathon**

The Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRY CHALLENGE visited us today at Ngāti Toa School! The Weet-Bix Kids TRYathon and the Nuku Ora team set up an amazing obstacle course that all our tamariki were able to participate in. We all gave it a go! Spot prizes and breakfast went down a treat.

Thanks to the whānau that came down and supported our tamariki.



## **Pink Shirt Day**

Kōrero mai, kōrero atu, mauri tū, mauri ora!

Pink Shirt day is on Friday 19 May. Please come to school dressed in something pink.

## **Clubs Timetable from Whaea Pearl**

### **Wednesday**

1-1:40pm

Choir for Artsplash  
Performance  
School Hall

### **Thursday**

1-1:40 pm

Enviroschools  
Veggie garden

3:10-4:30 pm

Art Club  
Whakawhetū (Room 8)

### **Friday**

1-1:40 pm

Dance ( For Artsplash  
Performance)  
School Hall

### Colder months to come

It is starting to get abit cooler now, please make sure your child is dressed for the weather. Warmer clothing and appropriate footwear to keep them warm and dry. We have Kidscan jackets available if your child needs one.

### Absent/Lateness

If your child is going to be absent, please contact the office as soon as possible, preferably before 9:00am. If they arrive after the 8:55am bell, they will need to be signed in at the office and will be given a late pass.

### Headlice

Headlice is in school again, please treat your child's hair if they have it. If you need any solution, there is some available in the office.

### Introducing our Learning Support Team:

Stacey O'Brien our Well-being Specialist is available on Wednesday/Thursday and is based in Room 3.

Patsy Schwalger our Social Worker in Schools (SWiS) is available on Thursday/Friday. Patsy now runs a sports programme with our children on Fridays.

Rose Sawaya our Learning Support Co-ordinator is available Wednesday.

Our Public Health Nurse, Courtney Fermanis is running a Seasons for Growth Programme that is 4-5 weeks with selected children.

Ivy Reedy - Special Project Kaiawhina, Jamie Mill & Terina Higgins from Piki te Mauri (Attendance Services) and Calissa Hippolite from Te Puna Matauranga.

Our team members are available to work with students and with whānau.

If you would like any support from one of the team please contact Crystal Southey-Willis (our DP), email: [c.southey-willis@ngatittoa.school.nz](mailto:c.southey-willis@ngatittoa.school.nz)



### Dates to remember

**15- 19 May**

**Road Safety week**

**18 May**

**Kids Tryathlon**

**Art Club**

**19 May**

**Pink Shirt Day**

**22/23 May**

**City Art Gallery trip**

**24 May**

**Porirua schools**

**Cross Country**

**26 May**

**Quiz Night**

**28 May**

**Samoan Language**

**Week**

**5 June**

**King's Birthday**

**SCHOOL CLOSED**

