

Ngāti Toa School

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Kia ora koutou e te whānau

Nau mai hoki mai ki te wā - kua tata mai ki te Kirihimete! Aue!

A big welcome to our new tamariki and their whānau that started at our kura this week.

Kia ora to Harlem, Archer and Anh. To our students that started at the end of term three - nau mai hoki mai Kaven, Ayvah, Delta and Nikau. We are super excited to have you as members of our kura whānau and look forward to growing and learning alongside you.

In our learning journey this term, we will be exploring the vital role that tangata play in shaping our future. By focusing on tangata, we aim to instill a sense of belonging, responsibility and the importance of giving back to our people. We have a few days planned where we will be encouraging whānau to join us in this learning - we will keep you posted.

He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata, he tangata, he tangata!

2023 General Election

Just a little reminder that voting closes this Saturday 14th October (and that our school hall is being used as a voting place. Pop down this Saturday and get your voice heard, if you haven't already done so. The hall will be open from 9am and voting closes at 7pm.

Kōrekoreko

At the end of last term Whaea Emma took early maternity leave. For the remainder of this year Whaea Cheryl and Whaea Ivy will be the kaiako. Ngā mihi nui ki a kōrua.

Ka pai tō wiki whakamutunga - Kathleen

Ngā Tūranga wātea - VACANCIES

Board of Trustees

Casual vacancy for a Parent Representative

Cherie Parai has recently resigned from our school Board of Trustees. Please join us in thanking her for her service to the board and her commitment to our kura.

There is now a casual vacancy on the school board for an elected parent representative. The BOT have chosen to fill this vacancy by selection, meaning they will choose a new board member directly.

However, if 10% or more of eligible voters on our school roll ask us to, we will hold a by-election to choose a board member instead.

A request for a by-election needs to be sent by 8 November 2023 to:

Jeff Hunkin (Co-Chair), bot@ngatittoa.school.nz or by contacting the school office.

If you are interested in joining the board, we'd also love to hear from you.



School Caretaker

We are looking for a part-time Caretaker within our school community to start asap.

If you know anyone who is interested, please contact the office or email office@ngatittoa.school.nz for a Job Description.



Poroporoaki-Farewell

We farewell our Tuitiga whānau as they head across the ditch.

They have been part of our whānau since 2017. ✨ ✨ ✨

All the very best to Iona, Tu, Emma, Sose and Kihi. ✨ ✨ ✨

Rā Mataara - Sun Smart

Please send your child to school with a sunhat this term.

If you prefer for them to wear their own sunblock, please send that to school named.

Pacific Language Weeks 2023

There are two more Pacific Language Weeks coming up for 2023.

We would love it if any whānau would like to share their Niuean or Tokelauan culture and knowledge with us during those weeks.

Please reach out if you can or pop into the office.

Mahi tahi - Working Bee

ASB helped out at school on the second Wednesday of the school break - worked on the playground bark, blackberry bushes and helped clean the school hall. We also want to acknowledge the Siave, Tito, Young-Ryman and Perano families for their support.

A big mihi to Corrina for organising and pulling the volunteer day together - our school is looking 'good'. Thank You!

Ngā wehenga moata- Early sign out

If another family member is signing your child out earlier, please inform the office for safety and security purposes.

Tamariki matangaro - Absences

If your child is going to be absent, please contact the office as early as possible. You can text the school phone 027 236 7785, email or log into Hero.



Dates to remember

16-20 Oketopa
Niue Language Week

19 Oketopa
Saints Basketball visit

20 Oketopa
Sharing Assembly
12:15pm

23 Oketopa
Labour Day
SCHOOL CLOSED

23-27 Oketopa
Tokelau Language Week

26 Oketopa
Sharing Assembly
2:30pm

27 Oketopa
School Athletics Day

9 Noema
Open Day
Titahi Bay Intermediate

10 Noema
Term 4 school disco

2 Tihema
Mini Market
more details to follow