



Te Kura o Hau Karetu

He waka eke noa: *We're all in this waka together*
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Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana, Namaste, Kumusta,



Welcome back to school for term 2. Term 2 is a big term for us as we are not only busy teaching and learning, but also testing this week and next week, mid term reports that go out in week 9, and as well we have the Education Review Office (ERO) coming out on the week of the 26th May. While it is a pretty intense time for the school having ERO come to visit, it's also a time where we're excited to be able to share with them the mahi we do at our kura.

Nau mai haere mai ki te Kura o Hau Karetu/welcome to our newbies Jade, Harper, Wynter, Āpereira, Wolfe, and Raeleigh. We are so happy to have you at our kura, and hope you love it as much as we do! ❤️

Volunteers – We are after a number of volunteers to help us for the following activities please:

- **Perceptual Motor Programme (PMP)** – Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9-11am. This programme is for our junior children and is designed to get them moving and developing their physical skills – both gross and fine movements. We are looking for parents to help us set this programme up, run the programme with the support of other trained adults, and help us to put equipment away.
- **Breakfast club** – we need more people on breakfast club please. We have breakfast from 8-9am daily.

If you are able to support us with the above, please contact Roseanne at the office. Thank you.



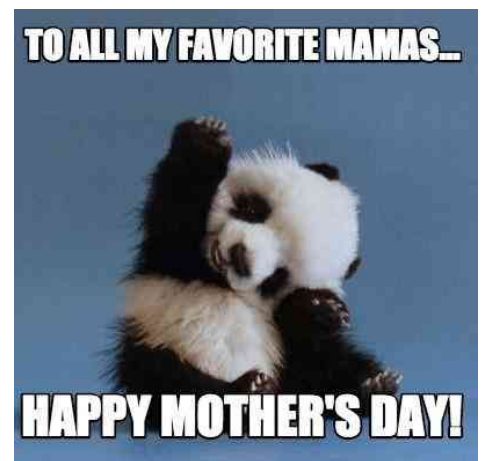
Bee Healthy Bus is here this week. It's the week where your child's teeth are being checked by the dental nurses. Please check your child's bag in case they have visited the dental nurses – there may be a notice in there containing information about any treatments they may have completed, or any treatment that may need following up. Thank you. Remember that brushing your teeth twice a day, morning and night, will help to keep the decay at bay.

Cross country – The school Cross Country run is next **Friday 9th May at 11.30**. Whānau are welcome to cheer children on as they run around the block.

Sunday 18th May is the Interschool Cross Country – 1pm course walk through and 1.30 races start. Anyone who would like to participate can do so. Please register online using the skool loop app or the email sent out by Matua.

Tough Gal/Guy Challenge Mud Run 20th May for those who would like – Please register online using the skool loop app

Finally, a Happy Mothers' Day to all mums, nans, aunties, Step mothers, foster mums, and dads, uncles and grandads who are acting as mums for Sunday 11th May. We think you are amazing.



Heads up:

- **Nits:**

They have come back to school already. Please try to keep on top of these pesky critters and check your child's head regularly:

- Please tie your child's hair up if it is long.
- Don't share brushes or combs – each child should have their own.
- Treatments can be sourced from school, or through your doctor/medical centre on prescription
- If you find nits on your child, you should check all family members.
- Head lice only survive on humans. They die quickly when they are not on the head, usually within 24 hours.
- We're all in this together – everyone please treat their kid's heads and we'll get out of the cycle.
- For further information go to: <https://www.kidshealth.org.nz/head-lice>

- **Flus and Covid** – Covid is still around, and so is the flu. There is a stomach bug that has come back from the holidays as well. If your child has vomited or had diarrhea, please ensure they do not come back to school until 48 hours after their last episode. Thank you.

- **Attendance:** We are back down to 86% which is a whole percent down from week 9 of last term. I'm sure this is because of the flus, covid and tummy bugs.

Let us know if you're having trouble with getting your kids to school – you never know what we might be able to do to support them getting here. We try to make this a happy, safe, dynamic place to be and that children inherently see themselves as great learners who want to learn more. We have amazing supports in our Counsellor in Schools, Social Worker in Schools, I have a Dream Navigators, and Learning Support Coordinators who are all here to help students be successful at school. Just reach out – contact us at the office.

Ngā mihi nui
Karen Wellington
Tumuaki/Principal

Events Term T1 & 2 2025

Week 1 28 Apr-2 May	Testing week Wear green on Thursday to show support for our Support Staff Collective Agreement Negotiations
Week 2 5-9 May	Football at TMP – senior students – advice through soon from Matua School Cross Country Friday 9 th May 11.30
Week 3 12-16 May	Interschool Cross Country – 18 th May Harcourt Park 1pm
Week 4 19-23 May	Tough Gal/Guy Mud Run Tuesday 20 th May
Week 5 26-30 May	Education Review Office (ERO) audit 26 th May. Pōwhiri 9.15am – all welcome. Friday 30 th May – Teacher Only Day – please do not send your children to school on this day.
Week 6 2-6 June	King's Birthday Monday Basketball Walter Nash – Seniors Tuesday 3 rd June
Week 7 9-13 June	TBA
Week 8 16-20 June	MIS Sports day – Year 6 students Tuesday 17 th June Matariki Breakfast Thursday 19 th June 8am – all welcome Hui for parents of children who are Neurodiverse Hui 19 th May – 9.15am in staffroom Matariki – Friday 20 th June
Week 9 23-27 June	Mid Term Reports go out this week Last day for the term Friday 27 th June 3pm

Policies up for Review for Term 2:

Go to: schooldocs.co.nz, type in our school name and sign in. We encourage you to check these policies out and have your say if you think there should be amendments. Thank you.

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Term 2 policies	Review opens 28 April
• Planning and Preparing for Emergencies, Disasters, and Crises	Board review
• Communication During an Emergency, Disaster, or Crisis	Board review
• School Closure	Board review
• Emergency Management	
• Disaster Management	
• Crisis Management	

These are the topics specified on the review schedule. You can also review any topic that has a review button.