



# Te Kura o Hau Karetu

He waka eke noa: *We're all in this waka together*  
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Week 10, Term 4, 2025



Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana, Namaste, Kumusta,

## Final Newsletter for the year:

As we come to the end of another busy and rewarding year, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who makes our kura the special place it is. To our teachers and staff—thank you for your dedication, professionalism, and the genuine care you show our tamariki every day. Your hard work and commitment are deeply appreciated.

To all those who have generously volunteered their time and talents throughout the year, thank you. Whether supporting in classrooms, helping at events, fundraising, or being part of the everyday life of our school, your contribution makes a real difference.

To our parents and whānau, thank you for your ongoing support, encouragement, and partnership. We value the trust you place in us and the strong relationships we share.

And finally, to our wonderful tamariki—thank you for your effort, enthusiasm, and resilience. You have worked so hard, grown so much, and brought joy and energy to everything you do. I wish the year 6 leavers all the very best for your future, and you know we are always here if you want to come and visit us.

I would like to thank the following staff who will be leaving us this year, and wish you all the very best for whatever your futures hold: Devon our lovely Counsellor in Schools, Irwin our teacher aide extraordinaire, Emma our remarkable teacher aide, Clint the phenomenal, Jess our inconceivably energetic teacher aide, Jared our resilient and creative part-time caretaker, the devoted Whaea Annmarie Hammond, Whaea Kylie who is our stunning teacher, and finally to our outstanding Whaea Moarikura who is our Resource Teacher of Māori. You have all had a huge impact on our school whānau, and you will be greatly missed. Thank you for everything you have done for us – don't be strangers – we'd love to see you.

**These staff will be farewelled at the Leavers' assembly on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 1pm – all are welcome to come and give them our very best wishes.**

Wishing everyone a safe, restful, and happy holiday break. We look forward to welcoming you all back in the new year.

Ngā mihi o te Kirihimete me te tau hau/Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Ngā mihi nui  
Karen Wellington  
Tumuaki/Principal

**Christmas Raffle** – The Christmas Raffle is looking splendid – there is still time to purchase raffle tickets until 3pm on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – they are \$2 per ticket and can be purchased at the office. For those of you who have sold tickets, please return the ticket stubs to the office, with the name and contact details of the person who has purchased them on the stub.

Tickets will be drawn at the final assembly on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 1pm. All proceeds go towards the new netball court. Thank you.



## Events Term T1 & 2 2025 Week

- Week 10  
8-12 Dec A special Outdoor Education Trip – Monday Middle & Seniors, Tuesday Juniors.  
A most special Christmas Assembly Thursday 11th December at 2pm – kids will not want to miss this one!
- Week 11  
15-17 Dec Reports go out on Monday 15th December.  
**Year 6 Leaver's Assembly Monday 15th December at 1pm.** This also includes awards to students from other classes. You will be informed by your class teacher if your child is going to win an award – but keep this a Secret Squirrel if they do!  
**Year 6 Dinner – 5pm Monday 15th December – no parents allowed!**  
**Final Assembly at 1pm on Wednesday 17th December.**  
**We finish school at 2pm on Wednesday 17th December.**

**Lost Property:** We have accumulated a significant amount of lost property, including some high-quality and clearly expensive items. Over the next few days, these will be displayed on the porches for whānau to look through. Please take a moment to check whether any of the items belong to your tamariki. Any unclaimed clothing will be donated to the clothing bins. Thank you.

# 2026

- Please consider being a volunteer for Breakfast Club next year. Breakfast Club is served from 8-9am.
- **The first day back for the year is Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026.**
- Waitangi Day is Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February.
- We finish the term on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April.



**Our beautiful tamariki this week...**



**We wish our Skool Loop sponsors a Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year**

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