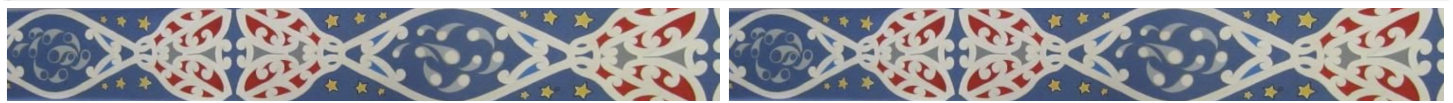


# HIKUIAI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



28th November 2022

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## Kia ora from the Principal



Kia ora everyone. We have had an interesting few weeks with extreme weather and flooding impacting our Jubilee events. The team has been busy completing final testing and writing reports. They will be ready to go home on Friday 9th December. We have had sporting success at both WHOT sports and Thames Valley events. 8 pupils represented the eastern schools, that's 14% of our school competing with schools from around the region. Community connection has also been on our priority list with 2 groups visiting our local pre-school providers in both Tairua and Pauanui to support young learners with reading, learning through play and kapa haka. It has been great to reconnect and give back to the community. With only 3 weeks to go, this term has sped by, we are looking forward to celebrating all the hard mahi that has gone into the learning and progress this year.

Ngā mihi, Rachell

## The Hikuai School Calendar

The 2023 Hikuai School calendar is nearing completion! Thank you for your amazing photo submissions reflecting our wonderful piece of paradise.

The calendar goes to the printer next and will be ready for pre Christmas sales.



# TOTARA Assembly and 125th Jubilee Celebrations

Despite flooding and extreme weather, we were able to celebrate with friends and family their 125th Jubilee. After the initial open day needed to be cancelled and the school closed early due to rising waters, the school combined the celebrations with their mid term TOTARA assembly and had a full house of visitors.

It was great to host everyone who came to honour and remember the past and present staff, learners and learning. A huge thank you to Jan McCormack and Anne Fowler for organising the history trail. To Sharon Johansen for organising and running our refreshments. To Trevor and the team at Twin Palms Cafe in Pauanui for providing catering and cake. To Clem McCall, Sam and Stacey Clarke and Damian Johansen for their speeches and cake cutting! A BIG thank you to our families for their help and support. Thanks to the staff and pupils who put together a powhiri/ welcome ceremony along with a wearable art display for all our visitors.

The atmosphere was awesome and the cake was delicious! See you in 25 years at our 150th!



## Our Van Service Term 4

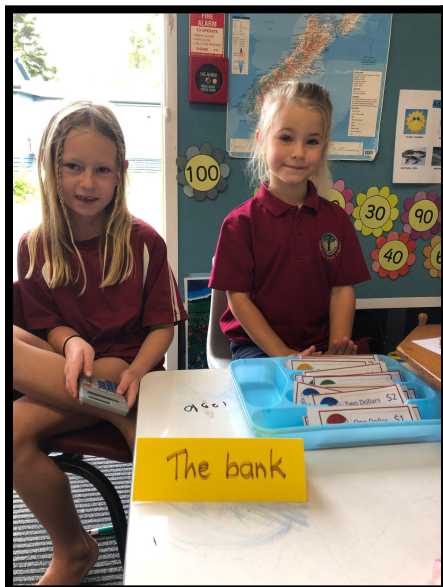
Our van is now full. Term 4 payments are now due. Please call or email Michelle to work out a payment plan or you can pay through the internet - Ref: Van4

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## Room 3

In Room 3 we now have a shop selling doughnuts, cup cakes, lollipops and sandwiches. Luckily, they are just cardboard! There is also a bank where the children go to get their shopping money. At the moment, they get \$10 and can spend it in the shop making sure they get the correct change. The older children will get more money and be able to buy more than one item.



This week we made popcorn in two different ways. The first was very, very dangerous so we all had to be covered up so the hot oil did not splash us. We saw bubbles in the oil as it heated up and then the popcorn started flying. The second way was in a popcorn maker and wasn't as exciting!



**Don't Forget** Tuesday 6th December - Room 3 beach trip

Thursday 8th December - Junior HOT sports at Tairua School



Here are Maia, Aradhna and Charlie practising snorkelling ready for our beach trip.

## Room 4

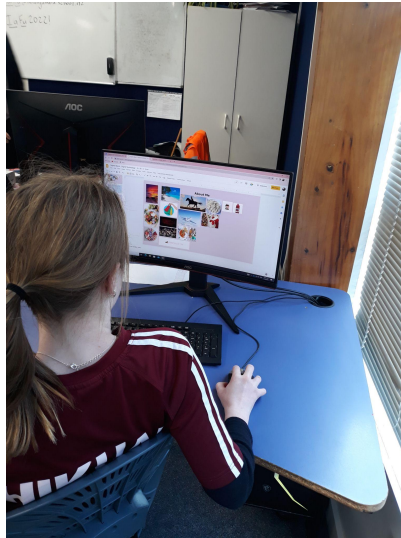
Over the past few weeks our Year 2 students have been making several visits to Room 4 in order to make their transition in 2023 more familiar.

We are currently working on a collaborative piece of artwork, using a Pasifika theme, which will be displayed in Room 4 at the beginning of next year. This provides our arriving students with ownership over their new learning space, as well as allows our departing Year 5 students an opportunity to leave a legacy behind.

We look forward to sharing our finished product with you before the year's end.

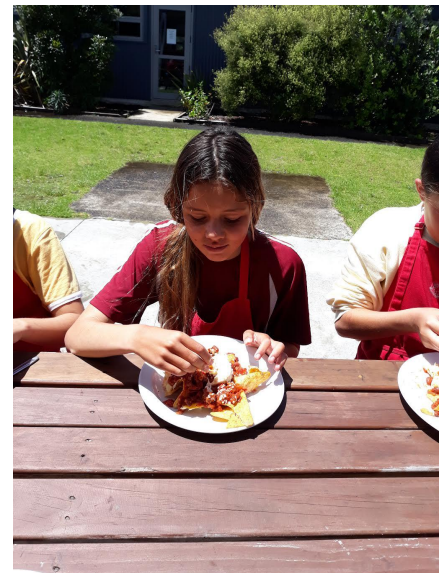


# Room 5



## Technology at Whangamata Area School

Year 7 and 8 students attended their last sessions of Digital Technology and Food technology for 2022. During Term 4 Year 8 students designed their own website and explored computer programming through the Scratch programme in preparation for their transition to Year 9. Year 7 students cooked their own taco lunch and enjoyed ice cream and chocolate for dessert.



Last week everyone learnt about following a recipe, measuring accurately and keeping their kitchen areas clean and tidy. They made afghans to eat and were able to take some home to share with family and friends.





## Wearable Art Moments:



## School Survey Ideas:

Thank you again for your time and efforts. Your feedback and ideas have been collated. The staff had a first look on Friday.

- Student voice from 2022 asked for more inclusion and choice with their learning. We changed our planning process to include more student ideas. This has had a positive impact on 2023 data.
- The 2023 relationship data shows growth from last year with nearly all our pupils feeling constantly respected and supported with their learning.
- We noted parent feedback with regard to sport.
- Better organisation with our sport events and the training preceding them is our first action with a 2023 sports overview and P.E training programme in the works.

We would like to thank you for the support you have given us this year as we develop our programme and practice to add value and diversity to our learning.

# UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

## Term 4

### December 2022

1st	Room 5 Rainbow's End trip
1st	Tairua Library Visit Rm 3 and 4- making Wiggle Bots
2nd	Room 4 Hike day- 2nd Branch Tairua River
5th	BOT meeting
6th	Rm 3 Beach Trip
6th	Year 8 leavers dinner 6:00 Puka Park
8th	Junior HOT Sports -Rm 3
8th	Thank You Morning Tea
12th	Class swim sessions with Waikato Swimming
14th	Hikuai School Prize Giving 2022- Whole School 6:00
15th	Last Day- 12:00 finish

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### LEARN TO SWIM

Chloe is back with her Learn to Swim holiday block programme. Lessons are scheduled to run on the 9-13<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 Approx 2-5pm. Give Chloe a call and book your spot!

[Chloe Hill](#)

[Learn to Swim with Chloe](#)

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# SANTAS FESTIVAL MARKET AND CAR BOOT

Tairua Community Hall  
Sat 10th DEC 9.30am to 1pm  
Santa's Grotto, Games, Balloons



Please note that due to no ferry running Santa will not be visiting Pauanui this year so please come across to Tairua and join in the fun.