

Te Kura o Te Kao



26 Akuhata 2022

TERM 3

Where has the time gone? We are now half way through the 3rd term already but it only seems like last week we just started. The reality is that we have been super busy and time flies when you're having too much fun. We have covered so much learning these past 5 weeks already, and we still have much left to do in the remaining 5 weeks. Hold on tight e te whānau, it's another race to the end of the term.

WĀNANGA KI TE HAPUA



Our wānanga in Te Hapua is all set to go and we are super excited. Thank you to our whānau in Te Hapua who have offered their support to help us plan our wānanga. We appreciate your help. Permission slips were sent home on Monday. If your tamaiti was absent and you still require a permission slip, please contact our office for a form. If you do plan on visiting during the wānanga, please let us know when so we are aware of numbers attending and catering purposes.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

We are pleased to welcome our new Board of Trustee members; Sarah Murray, Maquita Lia and Margaret Daniels. Thank you for putting your hand up for our kura, we appreciate your support. Chloe Cooper, Bryar Crewther-Abraham and Matiu Wiki provide succession from the previous board and we are happy they have committed another 3 years for our kura. We also acknowledge outgoing board members Maria Wiki and Renee Ratu. We can't thank you both enough for your dedication and support of our kura over the past years. We are excited for our school's future and we look forward to growing our school's capability together with our poumarumaru.

COVID 19 & ILLNESSES

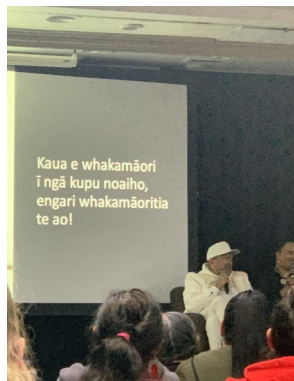
With the cold and wet weather recently, we have noticed a large number of absences due to illnesses. Whānau **must** keep their tamariki at home if they are unwell. We will contact whānau to collect tamariki if they are unwell at kura to eliminate the chances of infection.

We are aware covid is still present in our community and are keeping vigilant with covid safety practices. Staff continue to RAT test every week to ensure our kura is safe. We have RAT tests available from the Ministry of Education, please let us know if you would like some.

08/07/2022

NGĀ KURA A IWI O AOTEAROA TE PŪTAHI NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Our staff attended the NKA National conference Te Pūtahi in Rotorua earlier this month. Every year the conference provides a 2 day professional development opportunity for all 39 kura-ā-iwi schools. There were nearly 500 attendees at the conference which shows the magnitude of the event. This year had a fabulous line up of guest speakers such as; Dr. Rangi Mataamua, Dr. Linda Tuhiwai Smith, while Rob Ruha and Tweedie Waititi were our main guest speakers of the evening sharing with us the behind the scenes of translating The Lion King into Te Reo Māori. It was a fascinating experience learning how the translating was put together and the career opportunities available for tauira in media. Matua Hemi also shared some of the spotlight at Te Pūtahi this year, facilitating his own workshop on the transition from mainstream school to the kura-ā-iwi pathway with our friend Cheryl Meek of Te Kura o Waikare. This year Te Pūtahi also changed things up abit and provided an expo opportunity of PLD providers to showcase their education strategies and products. It was a fantastic way to engage and connect with PLD providers and an excellent end to another successful conference. We are extremely grateful to the team at Whakawhiti Ora Pai who once again came through and delivered another fun and exciting programme for the day. We loved seeing all the photos of the fun you were having while we were travelling. Thank you Aunty Sarah, Aunty Maquita, Whaea Kimberly, Aunty Shana, Whaea Selina, Nana Rosie and any-one else we may have missed, forgive us and we appreciate you all so much.



NZ POLICE GRADUATES

Last week we were privileged to support the graduation of siblings Taylor Waenga and Leanne Thompson to the NZ Police. A pōwhiri was held last week in Te Hapua at Te Hiku o Te Ika Marae to celebrate the siblings recent graduation to the NZ Police this year. Tauira from Te Mahinga went along to support this momentous occasion on behalf of our kura. Our kura supports all achievements of our communities especially those that inspire our tauira in career pathways. Congratulations Taylor and Leanne.



TE HIKU CROSS COUNTRY

The Te Hiku Cross Country is attempting a return this year after 2 years being cancelled due to Covid 19. Our tamariki have been practising every morning running along the driveway in preparation. We are hopeful the cross country event will take place in week 8 on **Monday 12 September**. This year our hosts Pukenui School have changed the venue from Rarawa Beach campgrounds to the Houhora Heads north campgrounds (Wagner Farms). A detailed map outlining the course will be distributed shortly.

The Houhora Big Game & Sports Fishing Club

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BOAT / BEACH / LONGLINE (NO NETS)
OPEN TO ALL AREAS

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Average Senior Overall\$2000	Average Junior Overall\$250	Average Small Fry Overall\$50
Heaviest Kahawai\$750	Heaviest Kahawai\$150	Heaviest Kahawai..... Rod & Reel Set
2nd\$500	2nd\$100	2nd Hunting & Fishing Voucher
3rd\$200	3rd\$50.00	3rd Riders Sport Tackle Box
4th Hunting & Fishing Voucher	4th Hunting & Fishing Voucher	4th Fishing Tackle pack
5th Edge 80cm Cooler Bag	5th Riders Sport Tackle Box	5th Fishing Tackle pack

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FISHING STARTS FRIDAY 6AM
AND ENDS SATURDAY AT 4PM

NON Members welcome • Fish Limit - 3 fish per ticket

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HEALTH NOTICE

STREP THROAT DO YOU HAVE A SORE THROAT?

You must seek your GP or nurse if you or a family member experience the following symptoms:

A sore throat that last more than a couple of days

Difficulty swallowing

Your tonsils are enlarged or coated

A high temperature over 37.5

Swelling in your neck

Earache or joint pain

There has been a large number of Strep throat cases in Te Hiku recently. If you or anyone in your whānau have had any of the above symptoms, please seek medical advice from your local nurse or GP.

SPORTS DAY

Sport Northland is planning a Sports Day for Years 5 – 8 with other schools from our peninsula. The day will be hosted at our kura with a fundraising opportunity for us to hold a kai stall on the day. We will let whānau know more details when plans are confirmed by Sport Northland.



E HAERE AKE NEI

Wiki 6	Wānanga ki Te Hapua Wednesday 31 August – Friday 2 September
Wiki 7	Wānanga Kapa Haka Thursday 8 September 3:00 pm - 5:00pm
Wiki 8	Te Hiku Cross Country Monday 12 September Ngā Toi Tūhono Wānanga 2 Wednesday 14 September - Friday 16 September

NGĀ TOI TŪHONO

In week 3 our Year 5 to Year 11 students started the Ngā Toi Tūhono course in Whangārei. This was the first wānanga of 4 for the course and we were very pleased with the outcome. The purpose of the programme is to inspire and incite creativity through māori fine arts. Each tauira will be making their own hoe (paddle) over the duration of the course, and collectively they will create one kōwhaiwhai together. The wharekura students in addition will be making patu and pūkāea. Tauira spent the day in the workshop working with different artists and learning how to make pūrerehua and they also started shaping out their hoe or paddle. They are looking forward to the second wānanga in 3 weeks time at the North Tec Whangārei campus on Wednesday 14 Sep - Friday 17 September.





KAPA HAKA

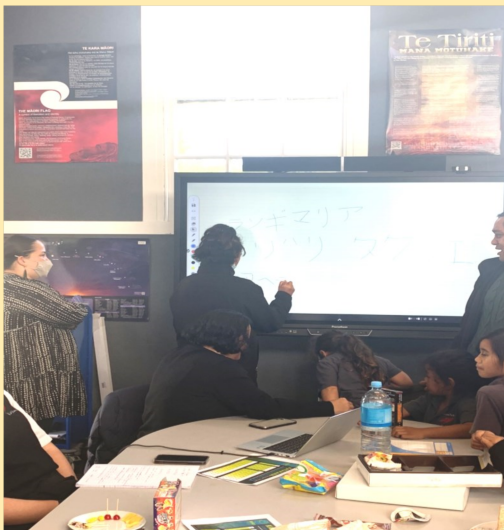
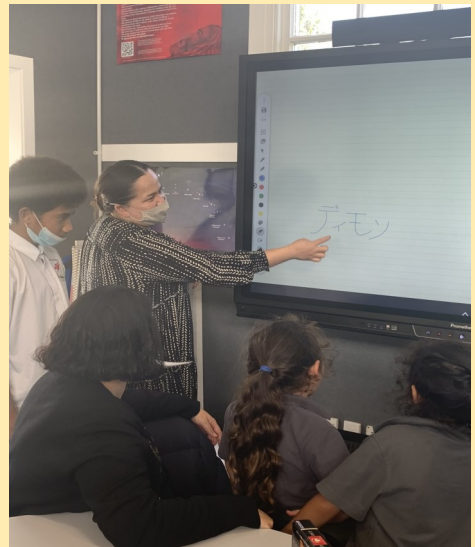
We had our first kapa haka wānanga yesterday afternoon and it went really well. Tamariki had a quick snack after kura to charge up for the next 2 hours of practising. We quickly realised how fast 2 hours can fly before we knew it was time to finish up for the day. Thank you to whānau for organising picking up tamariki after the wānanga. We appreciate your support. Thank you also to Uncle Johnboy for helping our Te Hapua whānau get home safely. If your tamaiti is unable to make any practises, please let us know so we are aware if they will be present or not. These wānanga will be every **fortnight Thursday**, so the next wānanga will be on **Thursday 8 September**.



TE WHAREKURA



Te Wharekura were treated to a lovely visit from our whanaunga Emily Ruane on Tuesday this week to share her experience of living and working in Japan. Emily has been teaching English in Japan for the past 6 years and was finally able to return home for a visit earlier this month. Taura learnt basic Japanese commands, such as how to say their name, how to write their name in Katakana dialect, and cultural aspects Emily had to adapt to living in Japan. They were also lucky to taste a variety of snacks Emily brought from Japan. Some looked odd, while some were surprisingly tasty! Opportunities like these inspire our taura to think about international career pathways available to them. Especially having a person that they know like Emily who they can relate to and see the mahi and benefits she is enjoying. Thank you Emily for taking time out of your holiday to spend a day with us at kura. Our taura thoroughly enjoyed learning about your experience in Japan.





Te Tupu with their refreshed class sign