

## Newsletter Week 2, Term 2

May 4, 2023

Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome to Term Two.

Teachers and students are off to a busy start to the term. Our overarching theme for the term is "Our School, Our Place". We will be exploring the history and culture of Tomarata School, and beginning to delve into the new Aotearoa New Zealand Histories Curriculum. As part of our inquiry learning this term, the school will be reaching out to the community, to find out about Tomarata School's past. We would love to hear your stories about our school, and connect with past students to get an understanding of how our school has changed over time. We are blessed to have such a rich history, and it is exciting that our students will get to explore it in authentic ways over the term.

We would like to welcome a number of new students to Tomarata School for the start of Term Two: Tiyahna Mclean (Room 7), Liam Paul (Room 5), and Casey Paul (Room 1).

I would also like to welcome two new teachers to Tomarata School. Emily Clark, will be transforming our Rata Room, into a performing arts space over the next three terms. She will be working with classes each week to ensure that dance, drama and music are being given an opportunity to shine at Tomarata School. Mrs Victoria King has taken over as the teacher in Room 7. It is awesome to have such an experienced and dedicated teacher join our school community.

Nga mihi nui,

Chris King principal@tomarata.school.nz What's coming up?

Friday May 5	Breakfast Club
Friday May 5	Sausage Sizzle \$2 @ lunchtime
Friday May 5	Room 6's, Whole School Assembly, Hosted by our Kea Whanau leaders.
Monday May 8	Breakfast Club
Wednesday May 10	Breakfast Club
Wednesday May 10	Room 7 Technology @ Rodney College
Thursday May 11	Room 7, Nature Classroom
Friday May 12	Breakfast Club
Friday May 12	Sausage Sizzle \$2 @ lunchtime

Reminders

Breakfast club is running in room 4 at 8am on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Thanks to the parents who have volunteered to help with this. Students from Room 7 are also helping with this, and doing a good job. It's a great way for students to come together to have a healthy breakfast of Weetbix. Please visit <u>KickStart Breakfast</u> for more information on this awesome initiative.

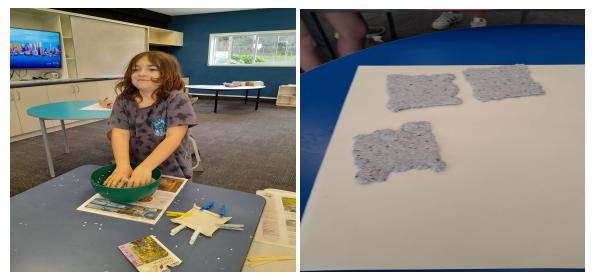
If you and your family have moved recently, or your contact details have changed, could you please email or phone Vicki in the office, so that she can update your details in Hero.

## Fantastic Kids Achieving Fantastic Things



Room 7 and 1, Buddy reading





Room 6 students worked with Mrs Usher to create recycled paper embedded with wildflower seeds. These will be crafted into gifts.





Room 1 students have been busy creating Bug Hotels to encourage creepy crawlies to make their homes at Tomarata School.

## **Board Update**

The Board of Trustees is next meeting on May 31.

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