

# Newsletter Week 9, Term 3

September 14, 2023

Principal's Message

Kia ora koutou, Naumai, haere mai ki te wiki o te reo Maori!

This week has been another busy one at Tomarata School. Last Friday our years 4 to 8 students went to Centennial Park in Wellsford to take part in the Rodney Rural Schools Netball/Touch competition. It was a lovely, sunny day at the park, and our students enjoyed a day of fun and activity as they represented our school.

Our year 1 to 4 students had an awesome visit to Matakohe Museum yesterday. The whole day was a huge success. Thank you to Mrs S, Mrs B, and Mrs Simkin, as well as all of the parent/grandparent help who came along to make the day such a great experience for our tamariki. Please visit our Facebook page to see the video that was posted, showing some of the highlights from the day.

Back at school, we had another visit from the Ballance Agri-Nutrients team, who worked with a group of students to plant some more fruit trees, this time citrus. It is really nice to feel like spring is here and to know that our fruit trees and vege gardens are looking so healthy and happy. Mrs Usher has been working hard with our akonga to make sure that our vegetable gardens are so productive. The potatoes that were planted a few weeks back are doing especially well.

I've been offsite today visiting a number of schools to see how they are going about developing their Strategic Plans. A big part of the development of these plans comes from the community consultation that schools undertake. Over the next few weeks, I will be sending out a survey with some questions relating to Tomarata School, and seeking feedback from our community on what you feel are the most important areas for us to focus on for the benefit of all of our students. I am also working on a display in our office area, for parents, grandparents and students to post up thoughts about our strategic direction. I look forward to hearing from everyone as part of this process.

Nga mihi nui,

Chris King principal@tomarata.school.nz

# A message from Mrs B

Hi everyone,

The time has come to prepare for Show Day. For new parents, it is the first Friday of Term 4, 13th October, and is a family day to showcase indoor class exhibits, calves, and lambs. Calves and lambs must be born between July 1, and August 31.We would like ALL children to be part of the day. Any queries please email me at <u>barbara@tomarata.school.nz</u>

### What's coming up?

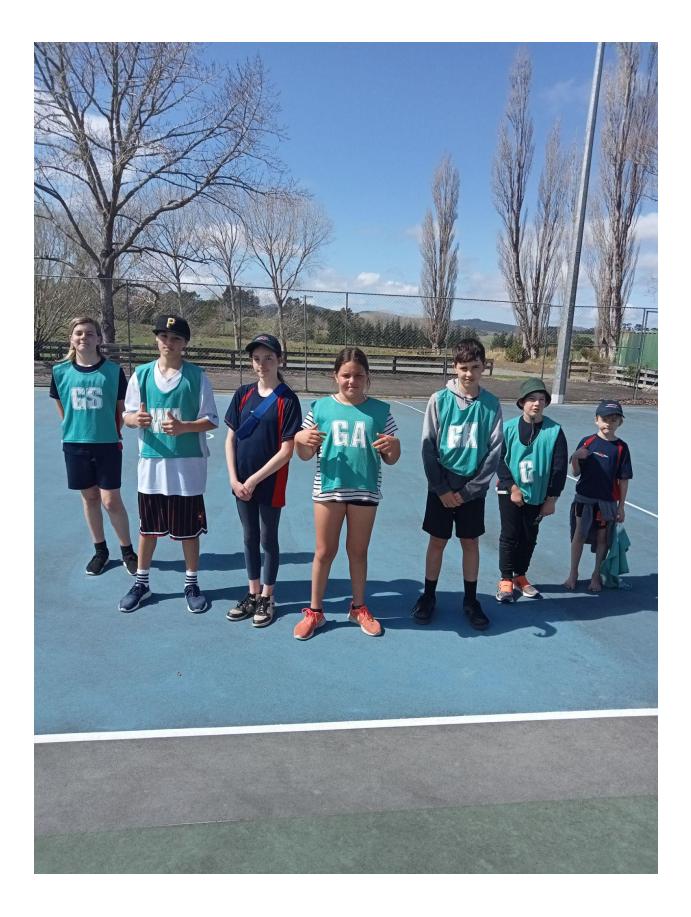
Friday September 15	Breakfast Club @ 8am
Friday September 15	Sausage Sizzle @ Lunchtime \$2
Friday September 15	Singing assembly at 2pm
Monday September 18	Breakfast Club @ 8am
Tuesday September 19	Breakfast Club @ 8am
Tuesday September 19	Cross Country at Pakiri School
Wednesday September 20	Breakfast Club @ 8am
Thursday September 21	Breakfast Club @ 8am
Friday September 22	Breakfast Club @ 8am
Friday September 22	Sausage Sizzle @ Lunchtime \$2
Friday September 22	Last day of Term 3
Friday September 22	Whole school assembly at 1.45pm. Everyone welcome.

# Fantastic Kids Achieving Fantastic Things



Netball/Hockey at Centennial Park.







#### Matakohe Museum trip.



# **Upcoming Events**

Please note the change of date for this meeting.



#### Board Update The Board of Trustees is next meeting on 27 September.

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