

Tomarata School Newsletter Week 6, Term 3, 2025







Principal's Message

Tēnā koutou, Tomarata School whānau,

Here are some of the highlights from the past couple of weeks.

First up, a huge shout-out to our Room 6 students who were true environmental champions last Thursday. They got their hands dirty and helped plant an incredible **800 native plants** for the Trees for Survival program. A massive thank you to Frankie from Trees for Survival, who ran the day. Also, thank you very much to Steve and Anna for hosting us on their land, providing a delicious sausage sizzle, and for their incredibly generous donation of \$600 to the school.

In the classroom, our students have been embracing their inner scientists, exploring the fascinating world of **physics**. It's been great to see them engage with these concepts, both in class and in our wonderful nature classroom, where they're exploring science in its most authentic context. Meanwhile, our Year 8s had a great day at Rodney College's open day, taking an exciting step towards their next chapter in education.

A heartfelt thank you to our outgoing School Board members. Your dedication has been invaluable to the governance of our school. We also extend a warm welcome to our new board members—Jazz, Heidi, Rose, and Natasha—and welcome back Hagan, who will continue to serve on our board. We also welcome Glenda as our new staff representative.

A quick reminder: the next **PTA meeting is this Friday, August 22nd, at 2.30 pm, in the staffroom**. We'd love to see you there! New faces are always welcome!

We also have a whole school. Assembly tomorrow at 1.45pm. This week our assembly is being presented by our Kiwi whanau house leaders, and will feature rooms 6 and 7 students who will be sharing some of their learning.

Whaea Jazz has made the decision to push our school production of The Lion King back to term 4. This is because of the huge number of students that have been away sick over the past month, which has hampered efforts to get the production ready for performance day. Date TBC.

Finally, thank you to everyone who participated in the whānau Grad | Learner profile consultation. Your feedback is crucial and will help shape the future direction of our school.

Ngā mihi,

Chris King

Principal

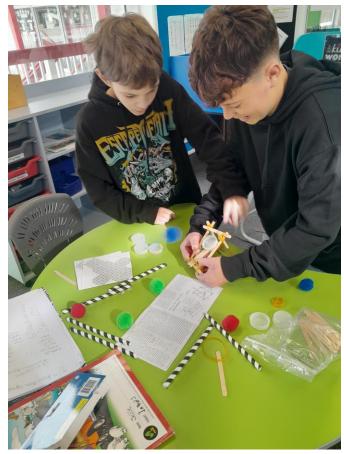


What's Coming Up

Friday 22 nd August	Whole School Assembly, Everyone welcome @ 1.45. Rooms 6 and 7 sharing
Friday 22 nd August	PTA Meeting @ 2.30 in the staffroom. Any parents wanting to join are warmly invited.
Friday 22 nd August	Sausage Sizzle lunch \$2, Thanks to the PTA
Monday 25 th August	Milo Monday from 8.10am in the G2T room
Wednesday 27 th August	Room 4 Nature Classroom
Wednesday 27 th August	Year 7 and 8 Technology @ Rodney College
Wednesday 27 th August	Tomarata School Board Meeting @ 7pm
Thursday 28 th August	Room 6 Nature Classroom
Thursday 28 th August	Mobile Library visit
Friday 29 th August	Garden 2 Table Club
Friday 29 th August	Sausage Sizzle lunch \$2, Thanks to the PTA
Monday 1st September	Milo Monday from 8.10am in the G2T room
Tuesday 2nd September	Rodney Rural Schools' Netball/Touch day @ Centennial Park (year 4-8) Parent helpers welcome.
Wednesday 3 rd September	Room 5 Nature Classroom
Thursday 4 th September	Room 7 Nature Classroom



Awesome Kids Doing Awesome Things

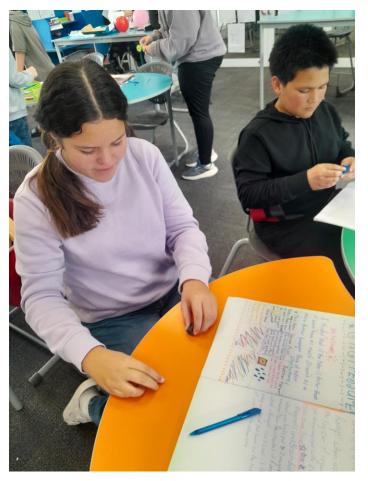
















Room 7 exploring physics concepts





Room 6 and a few Room 7 students after their epic planting day

Show Day Science Fair

During our Show Day, we will have the Rata Room open for parents and guests to visit, to see some of the awesome learning we have done this term.







Saddle Up for Fun at Hakaru Pony Club's Open Day!

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be part of a pony club?
Whether you have a pony or are just curious about what's involved, we'd love for you to join us!



Sunday 21st September 2025 11am to 1pm

Settlement Road, next to the Hakaru Village Hall. Please park along the road.

Come along to our fun-filled Open Day and meet the team at Hakaru Pony Club. It's the perfect chance to explore all the things you can learn and develop with us, including details on our Adult Riding Club!

The whole community is warmly invited.



School Board Updates

Our Next Board Meeting is on Wednesday the 28th of August at 7pm.

Welcome to our new board!

A huge thank you to our sponsors!

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