



Tomarata School Newsletter

Week 7, Term 3, 2026





Principal's Message



Kia ora koutou,

Again, it's been a very busy and productive couple of weeks at Tomarata School. We have had a number of staff and students away with winter illness, so you will have noticed a number of relievers covering classes. We are very lucky to have a really good group of relievers that we can call on to cover classes while teachers are away.

Given the number of staff absences, I've been teaching in several of our classrooms over the past 2 weeks. It's a great opportunity for me to see the progress that our students are making with their learning. I'm so pleased with the progress I see. Our teaching staff are working hard to deliver for our students, and it's heartening to see the growth in our students' confidence as a result of everyone's combined efforts. Well done team, and well done students!

Due to staff being away, we are postponing this week's assembly until next Friday (11th of September).

Next week the big event for the school is the annual Rodney Rural Schools' Cross Country at Pakiri School. The buses leave school and will be taking everyone to Pakiri School for a fun day of competition, where our students will be able to showcase their fitness and confidence as they make their way around the course. It's really helpful for our students to practice at home if they can. It just means that they are confident on the day, and can enjoy the event. Parents are very welcome to come along and watch/help on the day.

Also coming up in the coming weeks is the year 4-8 Rodney Rural Schools' Netball and Touch day at Centennial Park, on the 22nd of September. This is another opportunity for our students to compete with students from our rural schools cluster.

Our student population has risen to 99 students currently. It's fantastic to see so many 5 year olds joining our school community. A very warm welcome to all of our new families.

Nga mihi nui,

Chris King



What's Coming Up



Date	Event
Friday 4 th September	Assembly rescheduled...
Friday 4 th September	PTA Sausage sizzle
Monday 7 th September	Milo Monday @ 8.10am
Tuesday 8 th September	Rodney Rural Schools Cross Country @ Pakiri School (Whole School going)
Wednesday 9 th September	Year 7 and 8 Technology @ Rodney College
Thursday 10 th September	Cross Country (Rain Day)
Friday 11 th September	Assembly @ 8.45am Everyone welcome.
Tuesday 15 th September	Rata Room and Room 4 Nature Classroom
Wednesday 16 th September	Year 7 and 8 Technology @ Rodney College
Tuesday 22 nd September	Netball and Touch at Centennial Park Years 4-8.
Tuesday 22 nd September	Year 3's from Room 6 Nature Classroom
Wednesday 23 rd September	Year 7 and 8 Technology @ Rodney College
Friday 25 th September	Assembly @ 8.45am End of term three
Monday 12 th October	Term Four starts

Awesome kids doing awesome things:



Room 7 enjoying Nature Classroom last week



Finishing off our Trees for Survival planting



Garden to Table



Board Update:

Our next Board meeting is on Wednesday 23rd September

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