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WHĀIA TE ARA TIKA
Seek your own path

THE ADVENTURE WAY

Our children will discover who they can be

Curious

Creative

Collaborative

Self-directed

Self-aware



Welcome to our new students. It's great to have you join our Adventure whānau!

Room 10: Eliza Cleary, Jaxton Tan, Charlie Tanner



Kia ora, Nameste, Talofa, Guten Tag, Gidday, Vannakkam, ni Hao, Bula, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Mālo ni, Hola, Goeie Dag, Bonjour, Καλημέρα, Greetings everyone!

Thank you to those of you who were able to make it to the Kids Online Cyber Safety evening last week. We had 150 parents/ caregivers attend and the feedback has been tremendously affirming.

If you missed this opportunity, we will be having a pre-recorded screening of Rob's presentation at school **Wednesday 7 June 7.00-8.30pm**. (Please RSVP office@adventure.school.nz to help with organising a suitable space in the school)

Please try to make it if you haven't already heard the information - it really could be life-changing for your child.

Learning Conversations

We are delighted most families have come along to a Learning Conversation with their child's teacher. We see this as an important opportunity to connect, share information and work together to grow our children holistically.

I encourage you to email your child's teacher to set up a suitable time to meet if you have not yet been able to.

Term 3 Staffing

I am delighted to announce we have appointed Mrs Solé du Plessis as the new Room 3 teacher for the start of Term 3. Solé comes to us with a wealth of experience and has recently been teaching at Trentham School.

We look forward to Solé spending some time with us towards the end of this term in preparation.



Pre-Recorded Kids Online Cyber Safety Evening

No matter how young or old your kids are, this is a message every parent needs to hear.

Wednesday 7 June 7:00 - 8.30pm
Room tba

PLEASE NOTE

- The session is not suitable for children or teenagers.

PLEASE RSVP by emailing office@adventure.school.nz with the number of adults attending

Principal's Awhi Award



Congratulations to these wonderful Adventurers who were presented with a Principal's Awhi Award at our recent school assembly for naturally showing the values within the Adventure Way Traits.



Maisie Forsyth, Casen Jones, Madeline McKee, Addison Draper

Ngā mihi nui

Tania Cox

Principal – Tumuaki

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations!

Lucas Banner (Yr 8)

Lucas recently attained recognition as the Judgeford Golf Club 2023 Junior Club Champion.

This has involved many knock-out and interclub games. We have also just found out that he has also been selected by Golf Wellington to be part of their Talent Development Programme - a great honour and achievement.



COMING UP

NOTICE of POSSIBLE STRIKE ACTION

NZEI (Primary Teacher's union) are currently in negotiations with Education Minister Jan Tinetti. If negotiations break down, there is a possibility that a teacher's strike will go ahead on Wednesday, May 31.

We will endeavour to pass on information as it comes to hand.

NEXT WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

WHEN: Friday 26 May - 2pm

HOSTED BY: Head Boy & Head Girl

BUDDY CLASS ITEM: Rooms 21 & 15

(Cross Country certificates for top 3 placegetters will be awarded at this assembly)

WHEN: Friday 9 June - 2pm

HOSTED BY: Head Boy & Head Girl

BUDDY CLASS ITEM: Rooms 3 & 27

You are very
welcome to
join us!



Kōwhai – Mānuka Toy Sale

POSTPONED

New date: Friday 16 June



What a gloriously sunny day for Cross Country! The event commanded much organisation, time and commitment, and we were very grateful to John Kelleher for his work to make this day a success.

Here are the top 5 placegetters in each year group.

Certificates will be awarded (first 3 placegetters) at assembly this Friday. Parents are welcome to attend.

Yrs 1 & 2 RESULTS

YEAR 1 Boys									
1 st	Erich Koekemoer	2 nd	Archie Tovey	3 rd	Henry von der Brelie	4 th	Oliver Chandler	5 th	Rushen Subasena
YEAR 1 Girls									
1 st	Piper Bush	2 nd	Juliette Robinson	3 rd	Orla Dillon	4 th	Sasha McMillan	5 th	Kylie Kun
YEAR 2 Boys									
1 st	Jack Griffiths	2 nd	Louie Zang	3 rd	Steven Harrald	4 th	Brooklyn Po	5 th	Daniel Huang
YEAR 2 Girls									
1 st	Ashley Gibbons	2 nd	Lara Morris-Jenkins	3 rd	Ella Gibbons	4 th	Amber Cassidy	5 th	Fern Bailey

Yrs 3 & 4 RESULTS

YEAR 3 Boys									
1 st	Lawrence Hanify	2 nd	Finn Sutton	3 rd	Thomas Robinson	4 th	Max Jorgensen	5 th	Ryan Grant-Fargie
YEAR 3 Girls									
1 st	Indigo Eastham	2 nd	Eloise Chandler	3 rd	Quinn Spalding	4 th	Ruby Woodcock	5 th	Cressida Timmins
YEAR 4 Boys									
1 st	Brody Burrows	2 nd	Oliver Griffiths	3 rd	James Glass	4 th	Dylan Rowe	5 th	Jackson Paul
YEAR 4 Girls									
1 st	Maisie Forsyth	2 nd	Jessica Harrald	3 rd	Stephanie Abaniel	4 th	Hannah Robertson	5 th	Heidi Lunn

Yrs 5 & 6 RESULTS

YEAR 5 Boys									
1 st	Jacob Penno	2 nd	Hugo Banner	3 rd	Angus Presling	4 th	Finley Dredge	5 th	Alex Arbidans
YEAR 5 Girls									
1 st	Annie van Son	2 nd	Kelsey Cotter	3 rd	Scarlet Gibbons	4 th	Layla Jones	5 th	Keira Bexley
YEAR 6 Boys									
1 st	Lennox Manase	2 nd	Joshua Penno	3 rd	Jake Ford	4 th	Conor Dillon	5 th	Keanu Whiripo
YEAR 6 Girls									
1 st	Isabella Frew	2 nd	Sienna Bridge	3 rd	Ashlyn Van Niekerk	4 th	Skye Ashby	5 th	Layla Starr

Yrs 7 & 8 RESULTS

YEAR 7 Boys									
1 st	Kody Cotter	2 nd	Charlie Scott	3 rd	Dermott Davidson	4 th	Jonty McMullan	5 th	Lucas McKee
YEAR 7 Girls									
1 st	Poppy Dickson	2 nd	Cara Johnstone	3 rd	Chloe Po	4 th	Zarna Parish	5 th	Pearl Albiston
YEAR 8 Boys									
1 st	Cameron Starr	2 nd	Justin Wang	3 rd	Taylor de Graaff	4 th	Angus McIntosh	5 th	Scott Uys
YEAR 8 Girls									
1 st	Macy Chambers	2 nd	Kaylee Burrows	3 rd	Pearl Penno	4 th	Alexandra Griffiths	5 th	Hanna Incze

Our Rimu Adventurers!

This Term, Team Rimu is taking "flight" to different destinations - in both place and time! Our classes are exploring and learning about World War I, Antarctica, the Vikings in Scandinavia, Rome, what a predator free Aotearoa will look like in 2050, and ending the term with a focus on Matariki. To say this learning has excited our students is an understatement! The buzz is very much alive, and it has been amazing to watch this evolve as the weeks have gone by.

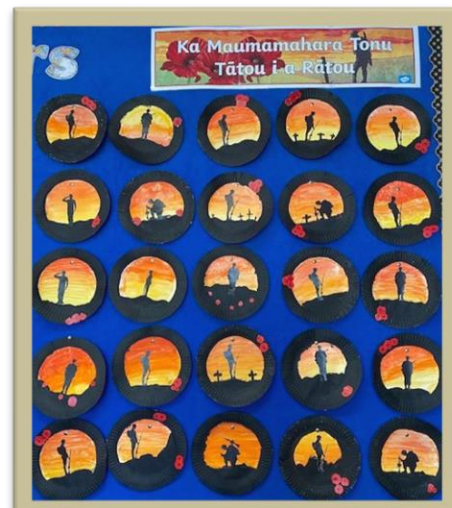
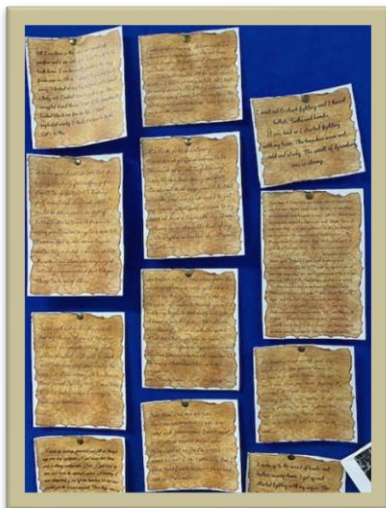
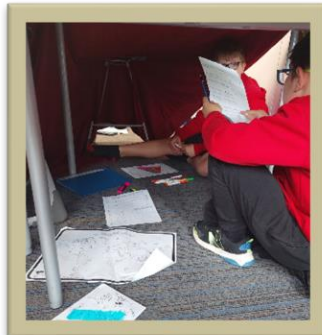
Our students, complete with passports and boarding passes, ventured aboard various flights - complete with window seats and a view of the wing! Competent pilots and cabin crew ensured safety was a top priority whilst also managing a refreshments trolley on some flights!



Upon Ruma Rua Tekau (Room 20's) arrival at Gallipoli our soldiers constructed trenches. The learning completed sparked a rather impressive word wall - dysentery, amputated, artillery, rations, shrapnel and what it means to be a conscientious objector. They wrote about what life was like in the trenches from the perspective of a soldier, seeing and holding ammunition shells and WWI war medals, how morse code was used as a form of communication, why ANZAC Day is so important as well as many other curiosities answered along the way! Our next flight destination is Antarctica!

Room 16 - Last term our class went on a trip to Zealandia, which is a wildlife sanctuary in Karori. We went because we have been learning about being kaitiaki or guardians, and how we might make Aotearoa Predator Free by 2050. As part of our learning, we have been tracking animals to tell us which predators we have in our school grounds. We put out chew cards which were bitten, probably by possums. We also laid inky tracking tunnels which told us that we have lots of mice. We also identified that we have hedgehogs, and even a wētā entered the tracking tunnel to eat the bait!

Zealandia's predator free fence is 8.6 kilometres long (that's like walking from school to the Paremata Bridge and back) and 1.8-2.2 metres high (that's almost as high as the tallest ever NBA basketball player). The curved top keeps predators like cats and possums from climbing over the fence. The holes are so small that pests like mice and rats can't come in. There is metal along the bottom of the fence so predators and pests can't dig under the fence. At Zealandia we saw a 3-metre-tall Moa, taxidermized (or stuffed) birds with fact cards as well as a button that allowed you to hear their beautiful bird songs. We learnt about the impacts of the European settlers and the pests they introduced. We had an amazing day of learning and fun. This term we are enjoying finding out which of these predators is the most amazing.



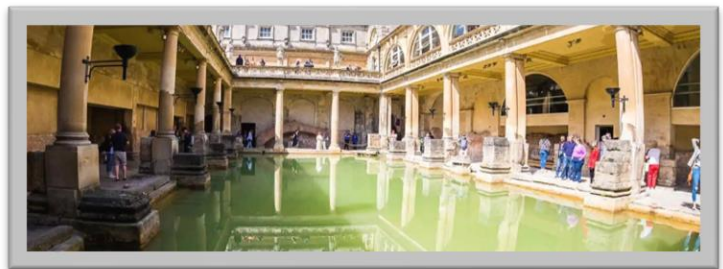


2 weeks ago, my class learnt about the Vikings, so everything we did has been Viking related. We learnt about Viking gods, and how to make Viking weapons. It was really fun to learn about the gods.

Stella Biswell – Rm 21

Lots of people had fun designing and creating weapons, while others were busy researching on Chromebooks learning about Vikings and their history.

Luke Zhang – Rm 21



In Room 17 we have been learning about the Romans, focusing on the Emperors of the Romans and Pompeii at the time of the eruption. To get a general idea about what to write about for Pompeii we learnt about what the average Roman city had and didn't have. For example, Roman cities had aqueducts to transport water, a forum (marketplace) which was the main place in any Roman city. This was where goods were traded, items bought, and people taught there. Another word that Mr Keller taught us for the forum was agora, which is the Greek word for marketplace.

Romans also had bathhouses, these are like our gyms and swimming pools that we have now. The bathhouse was where most Roman men and women met, chatted, bathed, and exercised in the morning. The Roman women were treated very poorly. While men had the right to vote and set up office, women had to submit to the authority of a man. That basically means that Roman women had to listen to what their husband, usually picked by her father, said and had to do it without question.

Now for the things Romans didn't have. Romans didn't have electricity. They didn't have many of the right materials to make something to generate electricity. Plus, they didn't know what electricity was. The way they made the water hot in their bathhouses was really quite clever. The way that they did it was that they made a furnace under the baths that was manned by slaves. The hot air flowed through air ducts that led to the bottom of the bath. Then, as we all know, hot air rises. So when the air rises it touches the bottom of the baths, making it hot.

Thomas Wrighton

Room 18

Entry from Siobhan's Travel Journal

On the first of May we boarded our flight to Antarctica. We waited in a line outside getting ready to go on an epic Antarctic Adventure. We walked in and I was jumping up and down in excitement. The pilot (Miss Willis) said her words and we were off. In Antarctica, we watched videos about Antarctica called Science on Ice. We did fun maths Antarctica related where we had to pack for Antarctica, find out how long it would take and how much food we needed. We did Antarctica based literacy where we had to write about an Antarctic journey and what we would do if we woke up to the view of Aurora Australis (the Southern Lights). I learned so much about Antarctica and I can't wait to go to our next destination. I really want to learn more about climate change at all our places. We also did P.B.L (project-based learning). I did a presentation on how climate change affects Antarctica. I was an early finisher, so I turned my presentation into a poster. Miss Willis let me use the glitter paint in her cupboard. I learned so much I can't contain all the facts like, the thing on Antarctic Sea pigs back that look like tentacles are actually legs! We drew biological drawings. I found the biological one way easier than the cartoon one. I wonder what our next destination will be!



World Vision Junior Youth Conference

World Vision Junior Youth Conference is a leadership event for Year 6-8 students, designed to spark their passion for global justice, help them grow leadership skills for life and empower young people to take positive social action.

These aspiring young leaders were chosen to represent Adventure at the World Vision Youth Conference-

Isabella Frew, Sarah Robertson, Michael Atkinson and Carla Bruwer.



It was a great day for us to grow our leadership skills and work collaboratively to support each other.



It was an amazing day where we learnt about what we need to be doing to look after our world.

Changing people's attitudes and minds will help save the world from climate change.





PINK SHIRT DAY



Thank you for your tremendous support!

Your gold coin donation raised \$450

Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora!

Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying



NĪKAU

Everyday Upstanders

Speak Up



Stand



Together



Stop



Bullying



with the support of the **PSHE UPLIFT DAY**

**Speak Up,
Stand Together,
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Show your support by wearing a Pink Shirt to school on Friday 18 May. 100% of net proceeds from all Uplift Day fundraising products distributed from 14th April to 31st May will support the Mental Health Foundation of New Zealand.



Important Dates for Your Calendar

Please be aware some details may change.



TERM TWO

Week 5	Friday 26 May	Kōwhai and Mānuka Toy Sale - POSTPONED 2pm: Assembly
Week 6	Wednesday 31 May	Possible Teachers Strike
Week 7	Monday 5 June	Kings Birthday – SCHOOL CLOSED
	Tuesday 6 June	Parumoana Cross Country (pp 8 & 13 June) 6.30pm: New Parent Information Session
	Wednesday 7 June	7-8.30pm: Recording of Cyber Safety evening
	Friday 9 June	Sausage sizzle 2pm: Assembly
Week 8	Friday 16 June	Kōwhai and Mānuka Toy Sale Disco – Years 1-6 (note age group change)
Week 9	Monday 19 June	5.30pm: BoT meeting
	Friday 23 June	2pm: Assembly (Matariki launch) Disco – Years 7-8 (note age group change)
Week 10	Friday 30 June	2pm: Matariki celebration End of Term 2

2023 Term Dates

Term One:	Thursday 2 February – Thursday 6 April
Term Two:	Wednesday 26 April – Friday 30 June
Term Three:	Monday 17 July – Friday 22 September
Term Four:	Monday 9 October – Tuesday 19 December tbc

School will be closed on the following days:

Waitangi Day – Monday 6 February

Easter – Friday 7 April – Tuesday 11 April (during the holidays)

Anzac Day – Tuesday 25 April (during holidays)

Teacher Only Day – Friday 2 June - cancelled

King's Birthday – Monday 5 June

Matariki – Friday 14 July (during the holidays)

Labour Day – Monday 23 October

Community Notices

Ladies Clothing Grab - Saturday 27 May 7pm at Papakowhai School Hall.

Tickets are \$25 for a whole new wardrobe, glass of bubbles and yummy supper plus a great night out. Tickets can be purchased on <https://shop.tgcl.co.nz> or at the door on the night. Donations of good quality ladies' clothing, shoes and accessories in all sizes can be dropped to the school office by 25 May or email homeandschool@papakowhai.school.nz for pick up.

Plimmerton Kindergarten Mid Winter Dip

Annual Fundraiser & Swim, Sunday 18 June, 11am – 1pm

Karrehana Bay, Plimmerton

BBQ Kai, Bake Sale, Costume Comp, Big Dig, Spoit Prizes for Dippers, \$4000 in Raffle Prizes, Slent Auction over \$2500

<http://bit.ly/mwd2023>

Mana Arts Society Exhibition – 10 & 11 June

Mana Arts Society, Plimmerton, 10am to 4pm

<https://manaarts.weebly.com/>

Petition against Vaping

My name is Charlotte Christie and I am a mum to a wonderful 14 year-old boy who attends a public high school.

As we are all aware, and what has been seen on recent news, children as young as 6 are accessing vaping products and using them on school premises and within our community. According to statistics from a recent Asthma Foundation survey, 20% of students are now regular users of such products and they are mostly accessed from local dairies and convenience stores. This is an alarming number of young people exposing themselves to potentially harmful toxins and chemicals with effects not yet known.

These products often appear to be the target for the extremely staggering amount of ram raids and crime that is being committed by some of the young members of our community. I have started two petitions to remove the sale of vaping products from dairies and convenience stores, so parents and caregivers can have a say and we can rally together as a community to put a stop to the negative behavior and severe health effects that has been and continue to be prevelant in our school system and societies.

<https://petitions.parliament.nz/2a168fb2-ec46-478c-52f5-08db2efc521d>

And

https://www.change.org/p/remove-disposable-vapes-from-dairies-and-non-specialist-stores?recruiter=39669955&recruited_by_id=87879df0-4c0a-0130-bd59-3c764e048845&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=copylink&utm_campaign=petition_dashboard

There is also a Facebook page that anyone is free to join to find resources, share stories and experiences and to support the cause.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/vapefreekidsnz>

Thank you for your support.

Charlotte Christie