

Upcoming Events

Friday 24 July	2pm: Assembly
Sunday 26 July	BoT Nomination Forms Issued
Tuesday 28 July	Tōtara trip to Parliament 7pm: PTNi meeting. All welcome
Friday 31 July	3pm: PTNi Clothing Grab (The Hall)
Monday 3 August	Te Kiwa Nui Rehearsal - Kapa Haka + Pasifika Group Mid-year Reports shared via HERO
Tuesday 4 August	Learning Conversations
Wednesday 5 August	Te Kiwa Nui Performances
Thursday 6 August	Learning Conversations

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Kia ora, Namaste, Talofa, Guten Tag, Nǐ hǎo, Xin chào, As-salām, Kamusta, Bula, Vannakkam, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Mālo ni, Hola, Goeie Dag, Bonjour, Sat Shri Akal, Shalom, Assalaam alaikum, Hello!

Kia ora e te whānau

Welcome back for Term 3! We hope you and your family had a restful, fun-filled holiday break! It's wonderful to see our school buzzing with bright smiles and great energy again as we kick off another exciting, action-packed term together.

If you've walked around the school grounds recently, you will have noticed that there's been a lot of work carried out over the holidays.

We've addressed some less glamorous, but much needed maintenance jobs, including fixing blocked drains and replacing tired fittings in the Nīkau bathrooms.

More exciting, our brand-new, state-of-the-art basketball court is almost ready for action! (The turf's in place... the footings are set... the hoops are on their way!)

This incredible new court wouldn't be a reality without our hard-working Parent Teacher Network (PTNi). A huge thank you to them for driving the fundraising and grant applications that made this dream a reality.

We also want to acknowledge the multitude of families who supported these fundraising efforts. This was a true community effort, and our students are going to absolutely love it!

Also, a huge thank you to Amanda-Lee Lemmon and Vanessa Clark, who dedicated many of their lunch breaks last term to working alongside students to create another ten beautiful vibrant cultural welcome signs greeting everyone at the school gate.



Staffing Update

We are absolutely thrilled to welcome three new teachers to our team this term. Please join us in making them feel welcome!

Room 10 (New Entrant Class) – Allemein Moller

Allemein started our New Entrant Roll Growth class this week. She is already a very familiar face around the school, not only as one of our wonderful regular relief teachers but also as an Adventure parent!

Room 8 – Jasmine Nichols (Whaea Jaz)

We are incredibly fortunate to have Jasmine Nichols stepping into Room 8 for the term while Tania Sibley is on extended sick leave. Many of you will already know Jasmine as a friendly, familiar face from her role as a Teacher Aide, and she is thrilled to be stepping back into a full-time teaching role.

Room 1 – Dianne Khann (Whaea Dianne)

Dianne Khann has been appointed as the Room 1 teacher from Week 5 (following Keegan Martin's departure) until the end of the year. Dianne brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to our school, having previously taught at Plimmerton School before serving as a Learning Support Coordinator for the Newlands Cluster.

Te Kiwa Nui Festival

We wish our Kapa Haka and Pasifika group all the best for their debut performance at Te Kiwa Nui, a festival that celebrates the vibrant culture, language, and heritage of our Māori and Pacific communities. Our students and tutors have poured countless hours of passion, and hard work into preparing for this event. We know they will take the stage at Te Rauparaha Arena with immense pride, unity, and mana. To our wonderful performers, stand tall, enjoy every moment, and know that your school whānau is incredibly proud of you.

Kia kaha, kia māia, kia manawanui!

Learning Conversations

We are looking forward to seeing you all at Learning Conversations on Tuesday and Thursday of week 3. Booking information will be sent out before the end of this week.

Ngā mihi nui

Tania Cox

Principal – Tumuaiki

Principal's Awhi Awards

Congratulations to these fabulous Adventurers who were presented with Principal's Awhi Awards for naturally showing the values within the Adventure Way Traits.



From Left: Cole, Finn, Dean, Jerick, Steven, Jasraj, Ash, Eliza, Autumn & Logan

Welcome to Our Newest Students

KŌWHAI: Dahlia R, Noah T **RIMU:** Margeaux H **TŌTARA:** Alexander H



Learning Conversations

These 10-minute conversations are a wonderful opportunity to connect, celebrate your child's growth during the first half of the year, and chat about how we can support them moving forward.

During your meeting, teachers will cover key topics such as:

Your Mid-Year Report: Answering any questions you may have about their recent report.

Learning Habits: How your child approaches their daily learning, stays engaged, and handles challenges.

Social Connections: How they are interacting with peers both in the classroom and out on the playground.

Learning Highlights: Sharing some of their recent work and achievements.

Attendance & Punctuality: Checking in on attendance and getting to school on time.

We look forward to seeing you there and sharing your child's progress!

WHEN	Tuesday 4 August (3.20 - 6.50 pm) Thursday 6 August (3.10 - 5.40pm)
WHO	Years 5-8: parents with students Years 1-4: parents only (a space will be set up for children to wait) <i>Your child's teacher will contact you if your child's reporting / teacher meeting will be different. (e.g. School Entry Interview / IEP)</i>

TO MAKE A BOOKING

Please go to the HERO app and select "School Bookings". From there you can select a suitable time to see your child's teacher.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Time slots are tight, so please only book one slot per student.

If this poses a challenge for split families, please contact the class teacher before making a booking.

- Please leave a gap between sibling bookings to allow time to move between classrooms.

Bookings will close 24 hours beforehand.

Coming Up

Whole School Assembly

WHEN: 2pm - Friday
Note: No class items this week



Whānau Learning Conversations

Week 3

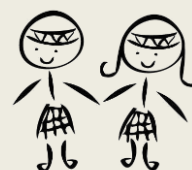
- Tuesday 4 August
- Thursday 6 August



Please Note: Booking information will be out this week.



Te Kiwa Nui Festival



Week 3

Wednesday 5 August (morning)

Our Kapa Haka & Pasifika group will make their debut stage performance at Te Rauparaha Arena



Non-Uniform Day Fundraiser

Week 3

- **Friday 7 August**
- **Gold coin donations** will help get our school netball team to the Aims Games
(See info on next page)



Yrs 4-8 Swimming Sports



Week 4

Tuesday 11 Aug

Although this will be an optional event, please encourage your children to take part. (Once children **sign up to events next week**, they will bring home a notice with more information.)

Children will be able to enter up to 4 events-

Yrs 4-6: 25m Freestyle, Backstroke, Butterfly & Breaststroke

Yrs 7-8: 50m Freestyle & Backstroke
25m Butterfly & Breaststroke

Our top swimmers will be put forward for the Parumoana Swimming Competition on 26-27 August.



AIMS GAMES
FUNDRAISER!

PULSE
NETBALL
NON-UNIFORM DAY!

BRING A GOLD COIN!
EVERY GOLD COIN COUNTS
TOWARDS SUPPORTING
THE AIMS GAMES!

DATE:
7TH OF AUGUST

Thank you to the following local businesses who are supporting the Pulse's AIMS Games Campaign-

[SBC Building & Project Management](#), [Plimmerton Auto Services](#), [Whitby Taj](#), [AlphaNZ Technology Group](#),
[Residential – Wise Wire Electrical](#), [New World Whitby](#), [Pizza Hutt Mana](#) and [Europcar New Zealand](#)





Event Calendar - Important Dates



TERM THREE		
Week 1	Friday 24 July	2pm: Assembly
Week 2	Tuesday 28 July	Tōtara trip to Parliament 7pm: PTNi meeting. All welcome
	Friday 31 July	3pm: PTNi Clothing Grab
Week 3	Monday 3 August	Yr 5-8 Te Kiwa Nui rehearsal Mid year reports posted on Hero
	Tuesday 4 August	Learning Conversations
	Wednesday 5 August	Yr 5-8 Te Kiwa Nui performances
	Thursday 6 August	Learning Conversations
	Friday 7 August	Uniform free day – Aims Games fundraiser 10am-12pm: Nīkau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming Lucky Book Club Issue 5 orders close
Week 4	Monday 10 August	5.30pm: BOT meeting
	Tuesday 11 August	9am-12pm: Year 4-8 Swimming Sports
	Friday 14 August	10am-12pm: Nīkau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming 2pm: Assembly – Rooms 20 & 9
Week 5	Tuesday 18 August	Yr 5-8 Mathswell
	Friday 21 August	10am-12pm: Nīkau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming
Week 6	Wednesday 26 August	Years 4-6 Parumoana Swimming Sports
	Thursday 27 August	Years 7-8 Parumoana Swimming Sports
	Friday 28 August	10am-12pm: Nīkau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming
Week 7	Friday 4 September	10am-12pm: Nīkau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming 2pm: Assembly – Rooms 19 & 14
Week 8	Monday 7 September	5.30pm: BOT meeting
	Wednesday 9 September	Year 7 immunisations
	Friday 11 September	Onesie day fundraiser 10am-12pm: Nīkau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming
Week 9	Friday 18 September	10am-12pm: Nīkau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming
Week 10	Friday 25 September	10am-12pm: Nīkau swimming 1-3pm: Year 2 swimming 2pm: Assembly – Rooms 18 & 8 3pm: END OF TERM 3

2026 Term Dates

Term Three:

Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

Term Four:

Monday 12 October – Friday 18 December

School Closed:

➔ Monday 26 October - **Labour Day**

➔ Tuesday 27 Oct - **Teacher Only Day**

Community Notices



ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS 2027

Enrolment deadline for 2027: Friday 24 July 2026

To enrol, visit the enrolment page on our school website
www.stmw.school.nz or phone 04 473 5554



WARM UP WINTER SPORTS
Term 3 Multi Sports Programme



ADVENTURE SCHOOL, STARTS WEDS 29TH JULY
WEDS FOR 8 WEEKS 3:05PM – 4:05PM

ATHLETICS TURBO TOUCH
FOOTBALL CRICKET
KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ

LEARN MUSIC IN-SCHOOL!!!

**DID YOU KNOW YOUR KIDS CAN LEARN
MUSIC HERE DURING THE
SCHOOL DAY !?!**

LEARN: Guitar, Ukulele, Drums, Keyboard – or try them all in our Intro to Music class (Y1–2)**

GROUP LESSONS: Up to 5 students, with personalised teaching & fun with mates.

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Trampoline (5+ yrs) Develop aerial skills, balance & body awareness.
Cheerleading (5+ yrs) Tumbling, dance, stunts, jumps, routines & teamwork.
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Give your child the opportunity to learn, achieve, and thrive at Bigair Gym.
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TRY CRICKET!

COME TO OUR WOMEN & GIRLS OPEN DAY!

- 🏏 Meet Wellington Blaze stars Rachel Bryant and Rebecca Burns.
- 🍔 Free sausage sizzle.
- 🎁 Free prizes up for grabs.
- 👋 See you there!

AUGUST 9 | LINDEN PARK | 1:30–4:00PM

RESERVE DATE : AUG 16



Women's SELF-DEFENCE WORKSHOP

Feel Safe. Be Strong.

Join us for a **practical and empowering self-defence workshop** designed specifically for women. Bring a friend, sister, daughter, or colleague and learn simple, effective techniques that could make all the difference when it matters most.

CONNECT, LEARN, AND WALK AWAY STRONGER TOGETHER.

DATES	TIME	LOCATION	COST	WHAT YOU'LL GAIN
✓ Monday 27 July ✓ Wednesday 29 July ✓ Monday 3 August ✓ Wednesday 5 August	6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Tawa School Hall 6A Oxford Street Tawa, Wellington 5028	\$40 (covers the 4 sessions)	- Easy-to-learn, beginner-friendly techniques - Practical skills for real-life situations - Increased awareness and confidence - A supportive and welcoming environment

CONTACT & REGISTRATION

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Facebook: [Zennin Tawa](https://www.facebook.com/ZenninTawa)

Spaces are limited – book your place today!

THE SEARCH IS ON TO FIND OUR
**MOST TALENTED TAMARIKI AND RANGATAHI
 OF PORIRUA FOR 2026**

PORIRUA

HAS TALENT

CATEGORIES
VOCAL | MUSICIAN | DANCE | GROUPS
AGES 5 - 25 YEARS CAN ENTER
HEAPS OF PRIZES TO BE WON!

AUDITIONS
SATURDAY, 15 AUG
PĀTAKA PERFORMING ARTS STUDIO

**REGISTER TO AUDITION OR
 FOR TICKETS TO FINALS**

FINALS
SATURDAY, 12 SEPT
TE MANAWA - AOTEA COLLEGE

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WWW.PORIRUAHASALENT.NZ

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for Term 3!!!!**

First four lessons free

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Mon, Wed, Fri: 5.00 - 6.30pm

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