TĀNEATUA SCHOOL

Tāneatua He Ariki, He Tohunga, He Tangata, He Urururu Whenua

Term 1: Week 7 - 13 March 2025

Kia ora koutou,

We have had another busy week at Tāneatua School!
Our Rippa competition is in full swing on a Monday night with 30+ tamariki heading in to Rugby Park after school for games! By all accounts our teams are doing pretty well! Netball has also kicked off with the year 3 and 4 rounds starting last week and grading games for years 5-8 coming up. It is so great to see so many of our tamariki involved in weekly sport. They are training regularly at school, strengthening their skills and game play - a massive thank you to Whaea Te Ahuru and Matua Whetu for all their efforts in getting our teams up to speed.

WEEK 7 - TURN UP WEEK!
This week is TURN UP week!
Every child who has been at school all day, every day this week will go into a draw for a $20.00 KMart voucher.
DRAWN MONDAY, MARCH 17th, 2025

ST KENTIGERN'S VISIT

Last week we were excited to welcome a group of tamariki, teachers and whānau back to our kura! We have a long-standing association with St Kentigern's who visit us every year as part of their service project. Each year the students, their teachers and families undertake projects around the school - donating and gifting materials and equipment (our junior playground for instance). Our raised gardens, that have provided us with armloads of produce this year, was one of the more recent projects. Last week, they brought us a chicken coop to complete our garden area, water-blasted, weeded, stained and repainted our pou.
These visits are also an amazing opportunity for our tamariki to interact with the visiting students - playing sports and games and learning about each other, each other's schools, cultures and lifestyles. It is fantastic to see how all the children get along!
We want to say the biggest thank you to St Kentigern's for all their hard mahi last week (and a special thank you for the golf nets!) and to say how very grateful we are for everything that you do for our kura! It is such a special time for us and to be the beneficiaries of such generosity is humbling. Ngā mihi nui!

UNIFORMS

We understand that our uniform shirts are in short supply at The Warehouse and that some of you may have been given conflicting information by the staff there. We are working with the suppliers to find a solution to the delay - if you are wanting to order a uniform shirt - pleased drop into our school office and give Whaea Tangi your order and she will work directly with the supplier to get your order out to you. Alternatively, a plain black polo shirt (no logos or writing) is an acceptable alternative until supply resurmes.

GARDEN TO TABLE

We had a massive harvest from our gardens this summer and the Rumaki tamariki have been busy turning this into pickles and chutneys to sell for fundraising. There are a few jars left - pop in and see Whaea Parehuia if you would like to purchase a jar and support our Rumaki classes!

USE OF SCHOOL GROUNDS AFTER HOURS

Please remind your tamariki that the school pool is **OUT OF BOUNDS** after hours! Climbing the fence and swimming unsupervised is not allowed. This behaviour is not only unacceptable, but also dangerous for the tamariki. We have been alerted to incidents of this behaviour, and of our tamariki running around on the school roof, and will have no choice but to consider closing the school grounds completely after hours and explore the possibility of security patrols if it becomes necessary. If these were adults - we would be calling the police.

YEAR 8 VACCINATION CONSENT FORMS

Please complete and return these as soon as possible. You do not have to have your child vaccinated, but you do need to fill out the form to tell us this. There are spares at the office if you have misplaced the forms.

Kia pai ou koutou rā whakatā

Na Whaea Terrianne
Acting Tumuaki