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Kia ora whānau,

As we prepare for Term 2, I'd like to share some key updates that will impact our school community. Firstly, we are moving to a cashless system for all school payments. This change, driven by banking and auditing requirements, will streamline our processes. We understand this may require adjustments, so please don't hesitate to reach out to Amy in the office if you have any questions or need assistance.

Regarding school hours and bus arrangements, our gates will be open from 8:30 AM to 3:15 PM. Students waiting for buses outside these times are to gather within the designated cones on the tennis court. In rainy weather, the deck will serve as the waiting area. Please remember that teachers need time to prepare engaging lessons, so early drop-offs before 8:30 AM require prior email permission. We will ensure supervision during these times.

Over the upcoming term break, we're working with Kiwirail to enhance safety by installing a fence between our leased carpark and the railway line. This crucial project aims to create a more secure environment for our students and families. To allow this work to happen unimpeded, we ask that anyone who currently parks in that area avoid doing so during the holiday period.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we implement these changes. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to a safer and more efficient school environment in Term 2.

Nga mihi,

Nic Walker

Tumuaki o Tua Marina School.

Term 1, 2025

WEEK 10 07 - 11 APRIL		TECH	YEAR 7/8 VACCINATIONS		
			TERM LEARNING CELEBRATION 2PM		

Term 2, 2025

WEEK 1 28 APRIL - 02 MAY	TERM TWO BEGINS				
WEEK 2 05 - 09 MAY		TECH			ASSEMBLY
	FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS - SENIORS	FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS - JUNIORS	FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS - SENIORS	FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS - SENIORS	FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS - JUNIORS
WEEK 3 12 - 16 MAY	TEACHER ONLY DAY				
WEEK 4 19 - 23 MAY					PTA - GOLF BALL DROP
					ASSEMBLY
WEEK 5 26 - 30 MAY					
WEEK 6 02 - 06 JUNE	KINGS BIRTHDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED	TECH		ASSEMBLY	CROSS COUNTRY
WEEK 7 09 - 13 JUNE		FIRST AID COURSES			
WEEK 8 16 - 20 JUNE		TECH		MATARIKI CELEBRATION	MATARIKI - SCHOOL CLOSED
				ASSEMBLY	

Tī Kōuka

Year 0 - 1 || Leah Waddington & Emily Morris

Another busy and fun week! We've welcomed two new friends into Tī Tōuka. Ella and Frankie. If you see them please be sure to give them a warm Tua Marina smile to help them to feel welcomed at school!)

Easter is arriving, and we have started doing a few easter activities.

A friendly reminder with the reading books we send home. Please ensure your child is reading, and not the parent. Rather read one or two pages if your child is tired. Our BSLA books can be easy to memorize and we encourage children to work out words for themselves by 'pointing and saying':)

If you have any questions or concerns regarding reading or maths over the holiday, please let Emly or Leah know.

Literacy: We have been learning about nouns in our writing. The children are becoming experts at finishing their writing sentence and then circling a noun that they see.

In phonics, one group has been introduced to the letter f, and can use it to write short CVC words (consonent-vowel-consonent). Another group is practicing hearing and writing their 'r', and 'l' blends. (green, or flash).

Maths: The students have been learning how to use number lines as another tool to solve equations. They are also practicing differentiating between addition and subtraction equations. The students are getting into the habit of doing our 3 minute adding every day, where our goal is to instantly recognize facts to 5, and then facts to 10 and eventually to 20.

Ngā Mihi,
Leah

Makomako

Year 2 - 3 || Aaron Harrison

Makomako class has been busy making great strides in their learning! Their phonics skills continue to improve, and they've been working hard in maths, especially with statistics. Students have been using tally marks to gather data, creating bar graphs, and analyzing patterns in their findings.

In writing, they are refining their sentence structure, ensuring they use adjectives, verbs, and nouns correctly.

In the spirit of Easter, our art project has been extra special—students are creating Easter Bunny bags filled with gratitude messages and treats for their parents and caregivers. It's a wonderful way to celebrate the season while practicing kindness and creativity. Ka pai, Makomako!

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend and staying safe on the roads- Mr H



Rewarewa

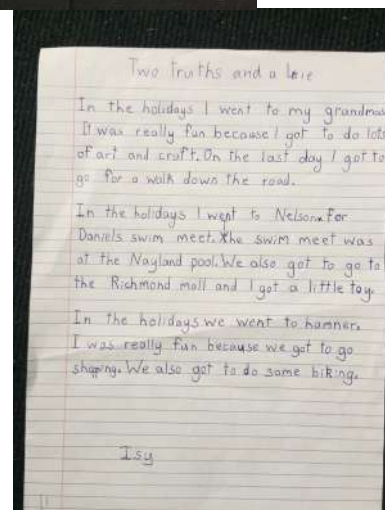
Year 4 - 5 || Julian Mason

Kia ora e te whānau,

It was great to be back together again after the Year 5 students had their amazing adventure at Mistletoe Bay last week. They walked, swam, kayaked, ate and challenged themselves to a busy and fun time in the Marlborough Sounds. Thank you to all the parent helpers at camp and with transport.

Another active week of learning this week with a focus on getting some of our all term tasks finished off for display next Wednesday. Most impressively, the students have improved greatly with their self managing skills and supporting each other to get their work finished.

I hope the energy levels have enough in reserve to get you through the last week. It will be a big one. Have a good weekend - Julian



Kōwhai

Year 6 - 8 || Sarah Kerr

Kia ora Whanau,

A great week back in Kowhai class. We were looking at the order of things and managed to calm some of the chaos although random is still a bit of a feature...see today's Chemistry Experiments.

Thank you for all the effort that has been made to return notices and homework. Thank you also for the waffle makers. We cooked apples and waffles for all the senior students and Rewarewa. We introduced the new Oxford Maths texts that have been provided by the Ministry of Education and brought order to Algebra and equations using BEDMAS.

Next week we'll be putting all our work on display to share with you on Wednesday. We will be rounding up the Term by circling back to the journeys and navigation we started with.

Nga mihi Sarah and Team Kowhai.



Ākonga O Te Wiki

Congratulations to our ākonga o te wiki from our last assembly!

Tī Kōuka - Nina Johnson & Noa Vangronsvelt

Makomako - Beau Taylor & Talitha Vangronsvelt

Rewarewa - Yeve Castle & Hibiki Johnson

Kōwhai - Nico Franken, Alivia McGhie & Cassia Silva

Building a Positive Learning Community

This week our most commonly shown value was **Active Involvement** - with **83 Values Hero Awards!**

House Points

Koromiko	Rārangi	Tokomaru	Waikakaho
375	432	404	382

Reminders from the Office

-Please remember to contact the office if your child's bus schedule changes - whether this be a permanent change, or a random day.

Only year 7s and 8s can sign themselves off the bus.



-Late arrival/appointments

Please remember to notify the office if your child will be attending appointments, and whether they are expected to return after these.

Similarly, if your child is going to be late, please notify the office, as well as signing your child in to school.

If your child goes straight to class, Amy does not know where they are.



Mistletoe Bay Camp 2025 Years 5 & 6

Kids Edible Gardens

by Roz Mundy

The last few weeks we have had a focus on worms and insects and seeds. Makomako have enjoyed collecting sticks and leaves for our "Insect motel" and we are slowly digging holes deep enough to partially bury our worm farm tubes. In the meantime we have been watching out for insects in and around the garden (there is a lovely big monarch butterfly caterpillar on a swan plant) and checking out my worm farm from home.

The worm farm could do with some more attention but it has some lovely worms of all sizes and some other crawlies to spot!



Insect motel construction



Worm!



Digging to the bottom of the garden in very dry soil!!!



Some of our favourite seeds

JUNIOR SMASH INDOOR CRICKET

FRIDAY NIGHTS FROM 4.30PM

2ND MAY START DATE **TEAMS OF 6** **\$7 A GAME (PER CHILD)**

TO REGISTER AS AN INDIVIDUAL OR REGISTER YOUR TEAM
PLEASE EMAIL info@blenheimindoorsports.co.nz

Holiday Fun

Hockey Holiday Programme

Chris Leslie
Canterbury Hockey Association
Talent Development Manager.

Wed. 23 April - 1 - 3pm
Year 3 - 6
Thurs. 24 April
Year 7 / 8 - 11.30am - 1.30pm
Year 9 / 10 - 2pm - 4.30pm
Fri. 25 April
Coaching for Coaches
Players Year 7 / 8
11am - 12.30pm
Players 9 / 10
1pm - 2.30pm

Registrations now open on HM Website
Email: office@hockeymariborough.org.nz

\$40 per child Puna Wai Hockey Turf
74 Nelson Street

Flaxbourne Heritage Centre & The Whale Trail Section Open Day

JOIN US FOR A FUN FAMILY DAY TO CELEBRATE THE GRAND OPENING OF THE FLAXBOURNE HERITAGE CENTRE & THE FLAXBOURNE TRAIL

APRIL **11** 2025 | 10am - 2pm



Autumn FLU CLINIC

12 April 2025 from 8.30am to 3pm

SHINGRIX
Aged 65 years ONLY (2 doses) *health criteria may apply for vaccines

Māori **FLU**
Aged 4 years+

COVID **Pasifika**
Aged 12 years+ (6 months gap)

Whānau **MMR**
Aged 12 months to 54 years

BOOSTRIX
Aged 45 years+

Location:
My Space, Youth Centre
(entrance off Redwood St)

"it's about whānau"

Marlborough Primary Health
KIMI HAUORA WAIRAU | SEEKING WELLBEING IN MARLBOROUGH

Ngāti Toa Rangitira
KI WAIRAU TRUST

SENIOR CHEF
MARLBOROUGH

Dessert Class

Thursday 17 April
6.30pm- 9 o'clock
Connect Church Hall
Beaver Road

\$30. pp



seniorchefmarlborough@gmail.com



Easter

Skate Disco

APRIL 4TH 5PM-8PM

STEPHENSON STREET RINK

\$5 Entry + Hire

\$2 Entry with own skates

Snacks and drinks available

SPRINGLANDS SEA
SCOUTS
are recruiting

KEAS

JOIN THE FUN!

- Adventure, games, craft
- Learn new skills
- Tuesdays 5pm-6pm
- 5-8 years old
- For more info email:

springlands@group.scouts.nz



ADVENTURE
PLUS!

SCOUT
New Zealand

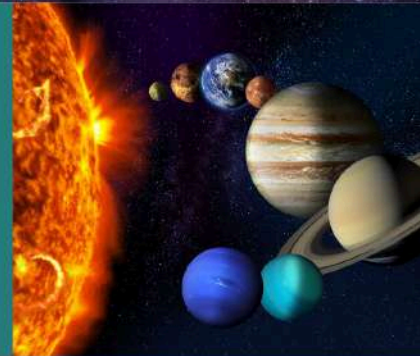


SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

EXPLORE OUR SOLAR SYSTEM

April 23rd 9am-12pm

- Learn about the planets
- Solar system scale
- VR experience



SURVIVAL IN SPACE

April 24th 9am-12pm

- Learn what skills astronauts need to survive in space
- Space exploration - rockets and rovers



Followed by a night of stargazing and
telescopes on 24th April 7-8pm

\$40 per session

Book online www.omakaobservatory.co.nz or contact
info@omakaobservatory.co.nz for more details

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OBSERVATORY

Kia Ora e te Whānau, Parents and Guardians



Tua Marina School

We are writing to inform you about our upcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the Parent Teacher Association Incorporation (PTA). Your participation and input are crucial to the success of our kura/school whānau/community.

Meeting Details:

- **Date:** Tuesday 29th April 2025
- **Time:** 7:00pm
- **Location:** Tua Marina School Hall, Campbell's Lane, Tua Marina
- **Agenda:**
 - Review of past year's activities and finances
 - PTA committee members and roles
 - Discussion of upcoming fundraising events and initiatives
 - Beginning the reviewing process of the Constitution, for amendment
 - Open forum for parent input and questions

Why Attend?

- Your involvement in the PTA helps to strengthen our kura/school whānau/community.
- You can contribute to making a positive impact on our akonga/learners and kaiako/teachers.
- This is a great opportunity to learn about upcoming school events and initiatives.
- You can share your ideas and suggestions for improving our kura/school.

We encourage all parents and guardians to attend this important meeting. If you cannot attend, please contact Rebekah Vercoe, Secretary at ptasec@tuamarina.school.nz, to learn more about the PTA and how you can get involved.

Ngā mihi nui, Thank you for your continued support of our kura/school.

Sincerely,
Abbey Woodmore
Chairperson