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# PRINCIPAL KORERO

Even with this week's cooler weather, preparations for our **Ski Day**, just two weeks away, are really speeding up! Keep your fingers and toes crossed for more snow. We're hoping everyone is getting their warm winter and wet weather gear ready. If you're finding this a bit challenging, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's classroom teacher for help. They might be able to connect you with someone who can lend an item.

We've noticed a few nasty winter bugs circulating lately, and we hope they'll move on soon. Just a friendly reminder: if your child has been vomiting or experiencing diarrhea, please keep them home from school for **48 hours** after their last symptom. Also, please let the office know nice and early if your child will be absent.

On another note, we have a special weekend ahead for Active Involvement. A huge shout-out and all the very best of luck to our **JumpJam** team members competing in their big event this weekend! We know you've put in countless hours of practice, and we'll all be cheering you on. Please join me in extending our sincerest gratitude to **Kat MacDonald** for her tireless work, dedication, and incredible support in preparing our JumpJam teams. Her commitment makes a real difference.

Just a friendly reminder about the best ways to connect with us! If you have a **compliment, concern, or general communication** about your child, your child's **teacher is always your first point of contact via email**. They're amazing at getting back to you promptly – usually within 24 hours during the week, outside of teaching time. This is because they're totally focused on providing high-performance teaching during class, so they won't be on their phones then.

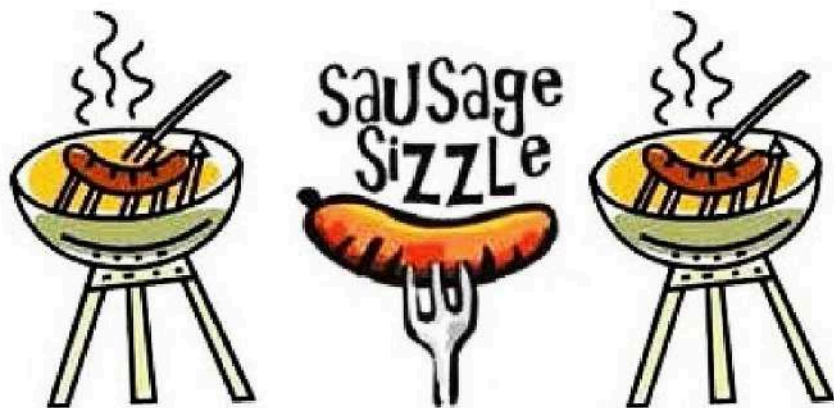
**For urgent messages** or to **report sickness**, our **school office is the main hub**. Amy is there to help from **8:30 AM to 3:30 PM each day**. If you call during morning tea or lunch and she's on a break, please just leave a message, and we'll get back to you as soon as we can.

Thanks for helping us keep communication smooth and effective! Have a great weekend.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Nic Walker  
Principal

# Term 3, 2025

WEEK 4 04 - 08 AUGUST		TECH			ASSEMBLY
WEEK 5 11 - 15 AUGUST				RAINBOW SKI TRIP	PTA Disco
WEEK 6 18 - 22 AUGUST		TECH	Cyber Safety - Y7/8		ASSEMBLY
		REWAREWA FALCON VISIT			
WEEK 7 25 - 29 AUGUST		Ki-O-Rahi Tournament			
WEEK 8 01 - 05 SEPTEMBER		TECH			ASSEMBLY
WEEK 9 08 - 12 SEPTEMBER		HANMER CAMP	HANMER CAMP	HANMER CAMP	HANMER CAMP
WEEK 10 15 - 19 SEPTEMBER		TECH			END OF TERM



**Sausage**  
**\$2.50**  
**Juicy**  
**\$2.00**

Cash Only Please

**PTA Sausage Sizzles -**  
**Weeks 5, 7 & 9**

# TĪKŌUKA

Year 0 - 1 || Leah Waddington & Emily Morris

The children have gotten right into our new routine and have loved working with our new teacher Vicky Hawes. We continue to welcome new students into our class, and the students have been proving to be supportive and welcoming! Ka pai team! We have been discussing how we all learn in different ways, have different things we need help with, and have different things we are good at. This has been an important lesson as our class is growing and we are receiving students with varying social and learning needs. Next week with an intake of more students, I will be needing to take time to work on routines and expectations once again, so please expect students to come home with books they have already read.

**LITERACY:** Along with our focused reading groups, we are focusing on spelling long words by clapping the syllables. We have also been reviewing nouns, characters and settings.

**MATHS:** We are looking at subtraction, and different ways to solve addition (using our fingers, other objects or a number line). The students are learning to make groups of 10, and to recognize patterns to 5, and then patterns to 10.

Have a fabulous weekend and we'll see you on Monday!



# MAKOMAKO

Year 2 - 3 || Aaron Harrison

Kia ora from Makomako class!

This week, the students have launched into learning about our planets and the Solar System with eager passion. We're currently in the process of creating an exciting papier-mâché diorama to bring our space learning to life.

In maths, we've been practising telling the time on analogue clocks, including reading Roman numerals, and continuing to strengthen our basic facts. Whānau—please support your tamariki by practising telling the time at home whenever possible.

In writing, we've been exploring the planets through informative reports and having fun with creative writing around the prompt "If I had \$10,000, I would..."—the ideas have been both thoughtful and imaginative!

Our reading programme is going strong, with students making great progress in fluency and decoding skills. Looking forward to another awesome week—have a restful weekend!

Ngā mihi,  
Mr H



# REWAREWA

Year 4 - 5 || Julian Mason

Kia ora e te whānau,

It has another great week of learning. While all of the students are not in Rewarewa Class all of the time, feedback from the other teachers learning in all classes is going really positively. The students are getting into the routine of moving between classes and being in the right place at the right time.

On Tuesdays we are all together and we have been looking closer into Geography. This has included how much we know about our own country as well as looking at flags and facts about other countries. This week we looked closer at why flags have certain colours and symbols on them with some interesting facts uncovered.

Sadly today we said goodbye to Leo as he and his family are moving away from Marlborough for new adventures. You were a great member of Rewarewa Class Leo and we will miss you. Hopefully we will see more of the sun again as the days get longer - Julian



# KŌWHAI

Year 6 - 8 || Sarah Kerr

Kia ora Whanau,



This week was a good solid learning week with few disruptions which was awesome. We have discussed a class pet (considering a puggle) and started a financial literacy unit on paying for it. Thank you to the PTA for offering a sausage sizzle day to support the Year 7 & 8 Adventure Camp to Hanmer.

We are determined not to be intimidated by long division although knowing our times tables makes us well prepared for multiplicative thinking. Square numbers and square roots have been a special focus, and triangular numbers are a useful pattern to learn.

Our topic for the first half of the term is Balancing our 2D and 3D Worlds and this will lead into our speech theme later in the term. If you felt like sharing your experiences of a childhood with much less digital technology it would be helpful as 'balance' is one we are all learning to navigate together.

Good luck to the Lit Quizz team for Wednesday, the amazing Tua Marina Tulips for Jump Jam on Saturday and to all the basketball and sports teams that are competing and practicing every week.



Nga mihi, Whaea Sarah



**Kia ora Tua Marino whanau,**

**Tua Marina School**

We are reaching out to invite you to consider joining our School Board of Trustees – a vital leadership group that helps shape the future of our school community.

**As a trustee, you will have the opportunity to:**

- Participate in key decisions that influence school policy and direction
- Advocate for the needs and best interests of all students
- Collaborate with fellow parents and the educators of our tamariki
- Contribute your unique perspective and skills to strengthen our school

No prior experience is necessary—just a commitment to education and a passion for making a difference. Whether you're a long-time volunteer or new to school involvement, your voice matters.

If you are interested in learning more or would like to nominate yourself or another parent, please contact Nic Walker, Bruce Bromwich or any other Board members - Gemma Franken, Steph Martella, Roz Mundy, or Sarah Kerr.

# PTA CHAT

Kia Ora e te Whānau!

Last week a notice came home with a poster advertising our upcoming Winter Wonderland Disco, and a poster and order form for our current Seedling Fundraiser!

Seedling Fundraiser  
I hope the Seedling sales are going well!

We are holding this fundraiser earlier this year, so plants can get into gardens slightly earlier!

If you need more order forms, they are available at the School Office, please ask Amy.

When handing in the forms, please indicate whether you are paying by cash (in a named envelope attached to the sheet) or bank transfer. This will help us keep track of payments and orders.

Winter Wonderland Disco!  
Friday 15th August 5.30 - 7.00pm

To help make this disco successful, we would love some parents to help at the disco in various roles.

This year we are having a breakout space in the Library for those students who require a break from the business of the disco.

If your child requires earmuffs, please ensure these are named and brought along.

Have a fantastic week and ngā mihi nui, thank you for your continual support of the  
Tua Marina School PTA!

## MEMOS FROM THE OFFICE

\*Please remember to check the lost property for any clothing your children may be missing. This is piling up again!

\*Bus changes - please remember to notify the office with any changes to your childrens bus schedule. **Only year 7 and 8s can sign themselves on and off the bus.**

\*Scholastic Book Club - Any orders for scholastic book club need to be made through the website please. If you are unsure on how to do this, reach out to Amy and she can talk you through the process.

\*Please remember to sign your child in and out of school. This is a safety procedure. This includes early collection, late arrival, or leaving the school grounds for appointments or similar. If the office door is locked, please come to the staffroom door.



TMS PTA

# WINTER

## WONDERLAND

# DISCO!

**FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST**

**5:30 - 7:00PM**

**TUA MARINO SCHOOL HALL**

***TICKETS \$8***

Includes: - entry

-1 sausage sizzle & 1 pizza slice

-4 glow sticks & connectors

Available at the Disco - \$2 Chocolate Bars

\$2 Fizzy Drink

Glow sticks, fidget spinners, rings, bracelets 50C - \$2

**Dress Up As Your Favourite  
Winter Item, Person or  
Character!**



# Back By Popular Demand!!!

And Proudly Supported By



Tua Marina School  
Vegetable Seedling Fundraiser  
2025

Large Single  
Vegetable Plants  
- \$5 Each



PTO for the order form on the back of this sheet!



## Kids Edible Gardens Term 3

It is now Rewarewas' turn to be involved in Kids Edible Gardens' (KEGs) and they are full of enthusiasm!

Our main aim for weeks 2 and 3 have been to empty the finished compost and tidy the gardens up and the class have been very industrious!!

The compost has now been emptied pot and bucket at a time and there was an exciting discovery along the way (a garden gecko -or maybe more than one)!

We are removing some of the old herbs and transplanting others into the sensory garden area and the Rewarewa team are keen to do the tough jobs as much as possible!

Some of the broadbeans have been removed to add to the compost and others are continuing in their growth so that we can eat the beans in future. We have also planted Sugarsnap peas and garlic so await their shoots appearing above the soil and being able to taste them in a few months time.



OUR WEATHER			
Week	Rainfall (mm)	Temperature (°C)	Week summary
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			

This term, with this group of year 4 & 5s, we will focus on observing what is happening in the garden and recording the weather and soon we will doing some cooking and eating too.





# RENWICK SCHOOL TOUGH KIDS CHALLENGE

## JOIN US FOR A GREAT DAY!

Children will navigate a course with a variety of challenges and obstacles.

**Expect a lot of fun and some mud!**

**2.5 km course with 15 obstacles.**

The course is over farm land, up and down hills.

## 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025

**YEAR 3 – YEAR 8 can enter.**

2547 Waihopai Valley Road.

Enter at:

<https://events.humantix.com/renwick-school-tough-kids>

AWESOME  
SPOT  
PRIZES!

If you would like any more info, please contact us at:  
[toughkiddz.renwick@gmail.com](mailto:toughkiddz.renwick@gmail.com)



## Blenheim Skate Club presents the 1st of August GLOW Skate Disco

5-8pm

Cash Only

\$5 Hire Skates, \$2 with own skates  
Snacks and drinks available



Stephenson Street Rink  
Next to the Hockey Turf

## Children's Book Launch

# ORCHESTRA CLASS

Written by Christabelle Grant  
Illustrated by Debbie Godsiff

Saturday 9th August  
10am  
Rarangi Community Hall

Everyone welcome!

Morning tea will be provided.  
Books able to be purchased  
\$25 at the event. Eftpos available.



## Harcourts MARLBOROUGH KIDS DUATHLON



BOTH SHORT & LONG DISTANCES + BEAT THE BEAR DASH!

+ AWESOME SPOT PRIZES

AMAZING PRIZE FOR THE SCHOOL WITH THE MOST ENTRIES

+ + MAJOR SPOT PRIZE OF A BIKE! BIKEFIT

## SUN 12 OCTOBER 2025

BRANCOTT VINEYARD, BLENHEIM  
SCAN THE CODE

TO ENTER



[WWW.KIDSDU.CO.NZ](http://WWW.KIDSDU.CO.NZ)





# TASMAN NAVIGATORS



**U14 TRIALS  
BOYS & GIRLS**

**30TH AUG  
RENWICK DOMAIN**

**SCAN TO REGISTER**



**BOYS**



**GIRLS**

Open to all eligible  
players wanting to  
represent Tasman at the  
Warriors South Island rugby  
league tournament in  
Oamaru  
3 - 4 October

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**ENTRIES NOW OPEN!**

# TUSSOCK RUN

**Sunday, 24 August 2025**

**[www.tussockrun.co.nz](http://www.tussockrun.co.nz)**

