



Tua Marina School Te Kura o Tua Marino

Hanga Atu ki te Tua Marino
Creating the Calm Beyond

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PRINCIPAL KORERO

Kia ora koutou,

It is a pleasure to share some exciting updates as we settle into the rhythm of the term. First, please join me in a very warm welcome to Warren, Grandad to Gray and Reid, who officially joins the TMS staff as our new Caretaker. We are thrilled to have your expertise and connection to the school on the team, Warren!

A massive "tino pai" to our Kī-o-Rahi teams who competed yesterday at the Redwoodtown Regional tournament. You played your hearts out and, more importantly, truly lived our CALM values on the field. Seeing your grit and sportsmanship firsthand was a highlight of my week.

As winter sports codes kick off, I want to wish the best of luck to all our teams taking the courts and fields. I'm looking forward to catching you in action as I make my rounds over the coming weeks.

Go well, everyone!

Ngā mihi nui,

Nic Walker Tumuaki | Principal

TĪKŌUKA

Year 0 - 1 || Leah Waddington & Emily Morris

Kia ora! We've had a fantastic first two weeks back to school. The students have settled incredibly well, are happy and working hard.

Literacy: We are plugging away with our Better Start Literacy Program. Working on "pointing and saying-->segmenting and blending", where the students point at each letter, say the sound and then blend the word together. Keep encouraging your child to read their book at home every day, and to fill out their reading journal. We've got some exciting prizes from various teachers across the school! If your child is struggling with their book, there are other ideas you can do to keep them engaged. Some ideas are looking at letter flash cards, pointing and singing the alphabet, playing letter games, etc. These ideas also count for their reading journal!!!

Thank you to those that consistently bring your books and book bags to school!!!

Mathematics: We have adopted the 'Maths No Problem' program. We have been working very hard on addition problems, and learning that the equals sign =, means that each side needs to be equal or the same. We are starting with equations with objects or dots, This has been tricky, and we will likely keep plugging away at this next week as well. Something you can do to help at home, is to use mathematical language such as... "Is that equal, or the same? Can you add that all together? How many more do you need to get 5?"

Helping them to count properly to 20 helps as well.

A friendly reminder that our door is always open if you have any concerns or questions! Have a fantastic weekend!

kindest Regards,

Leah Waddington and Emily Morris



KAWAKAWA

Year 2 - 3 || Aaron Harrison

Kawakawa Class has had a busy and rewarding second week of the term. The students have proudly put up their final ANZAC displays, showcasing their thoughtful writing and creative poppy artwork. It's been fantastic to see the care and effort that has gone into this learning.

There is a real buzz in the classroom as students begin thinking about our Science Fair project. This term, we are focusing on the Material World, and we are excited to see what ideas the students come up with. Many are already talking about aiming for the Marlborough Science Fair at the Stadium in Term 3!

Preparations are also underway for Fundamentals in Week 4, which will be an exciting couple of days for our junior students. Kawakawa Class will be attending on the Monday and Tuesday, and we are all looking forward to getting involved.

It has been especially pleasing to see students making great progress in both reading and maths. Concepts that were once challenging are starting to click, and it's wonderful to be moving students forward in their learning.

This term is shaping up to be a fun and exciting one.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mr H



MAKOMAKO

Year 4 - 5 || Erica Barlow

We have been harnessing our creativity this week. Our Portrait artworks inspired by Gustav Klimt. It was quite a process as we have to follow some very specific steps. Our first was to blend two crayons together to create our skin colour. We then added patterns using vivids. We then dyed the background. Lastly we added our gold touches. We think they look fabulous.

Multiplication madness- we are now moving on to multiplication. Please check your child's bag for a set of times table flash cards to practice their times tables. It is important for them to gain instant recall of these basic facts.

Super Sleuth- check out our creative new cover page designs.

Well done to Ella, Yeve and Arlo who joined the other Year 5-8 students at the Ki-o-Rahi tournament on Thursday!

Please send sneakers to school as we will be starting our fitness training in the build up to Cross Country later in the term.



REWAREWA

Year 6 || Julian Mason

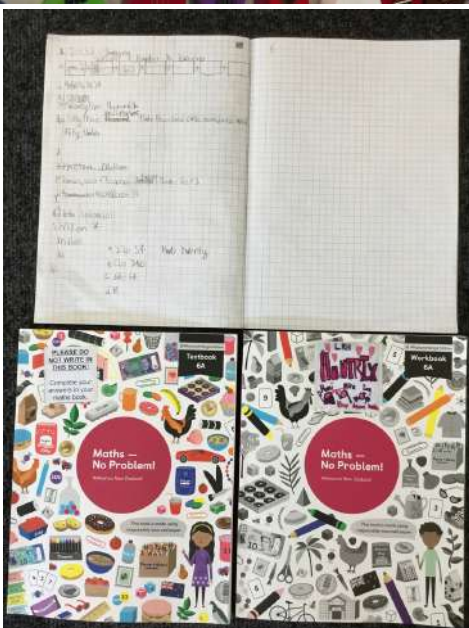
Kia ora e te whānau,

It has been a great first two weeks back. We are back into the swing of things with our literacy and maths learning. We make sure that we are reading everyday at school, and if this was repeated at home it is a proven way to improve your child's reading skills. Even sharing a story and reading aloud has a positive effect.

We have also added the ukulele to our learning this term. Thank you to Lorraine (Chase's grandma) for giving her time to help us on Monday afternoons. Watch out for our first performance at assembly in Week 9.

Yesterday Whaea Sarah took many of our students to take part in a Ki o Rahi Tournament at Redwoodtown School. We welcomed some guests from Kōwhai Class and amongst other things created some one point perspective drawings. Look out for the Star Wars Day information coming home soon.

Have a great weekend - Julian



KOWHAI

Year 7 - 8 || Sarah Kerr

Good afternoon Whānau,

It has been a disjointed week, but started with a super positive experiences for everyone at Technology. Kowhai students came back full of stories, food ideas, and some interesting wooden fish. Thank you to our awesome bus driver Lousie who always goes the extra mile to make sure students arrive safely and with some words of cheery encouragement.

Thursday saw most of Kowhai attend the ki o Rahi Tournament at Redwoodtown school. While cold it was super busy, beautifully run and a great way for everyone to be actively involved and competitive. Thank you to everyone who helped with transport and support. Our seniors were polite, well organised and their skill level improved exponentially during the day.

We are continuing with our Science focus and information about Science Fair will be coming home next week. We need to start thinking about options and inspirational investigations....

Ngā mihi,
Sarah Kerr



PTA CHAT

Kia Ora e te Whānau

We trust you had a fantastic break over the school holidays.

This term we look forward to the School Disco, please note that there is a date change for this to the 5th June!

We will be holding sausage sizzle and juicies this term on even weeks, so our first one was today!
Sausages \$2.50 Juicies \$2.00

A huge Thank You to Gemma, Emma, Courtney and Nico who organised and manned the BBQ and baking at the Marlborough Clay Bird Shoot last weekend!

Thank you to Marlborough Hunting and Fishing for donating the burger patties, the Stoners for the sausages and whānau for baking.

It was a fun day and really interesting to watch and see the shooters in action!

AGM NOTICE

The Tua Marina School Parent Teacher Association Incorporated will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Thursday 21st May at Tua Marina School at 7.00pm.

We will be reading reports from the Chairperson and Treasurer, going over the Constitution, electing in members of office, Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer, and order of business.

All are welcome attend and we look forward to seeing you there!

Have a fantastic weekend.

HOUSE POINTS

KOROMIKO	RĀRANGI	TOKOMARU	WAIKAKAHO
404	385	453	420

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ĀKONGA O TE WIKI WINNERS

Tī Kōuka - Maeve M
Kawakawa - Gus W, Lillian R, Mabel R
Makomako - Harrison W, Tamaki J
Rewarewa - Lucy H
Kōwhai - Hannah H, Reid C, Charlotte P

OUR STUDENT OF THE TERM WINNERS

Tī Kōuka - Ella S
Kawakawa - Elka B
Makomako - Tuiti M
Rewarewa - George K
Kōwhai - Hugo W

LEARNING SUPPORT AT TUA MARINO

Kia ora, I am the Learning Support Coordinator (LSC) here at Tua Marino. In my role, I support the identification of children with learning support needs by assessing students, identifying needs, and developing Individual Education Plans (IEPs).

I track and monitor the progress of children and ensure there is high-quality teaching and intervention for students with additional needs. I work with small groups or in a 1:1 setting, while also overseeing Learning Support Assistants (LSA) and providing guidance to teachers.

Another key aspect of the role involves attending in-school learning support meetings and liaising with parents, Resource Teachers of Learning & Behaviour (RTL), Speech Language Therapists (SLT), Occupational Therapists (OT), Early Intervention Teachers (EIT), educational psychologists, and other outside agencies. If you have any concerns around your child's learning or behaviour at school, your first port of call is their classroom teacher. Depending on the needs of the child, the teacher or LSA may provide some close support in the classroom or refer them to me.

Ngā mihi,
Kat MacDonald

TUA MARINA CALENDAR TERM 2 2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
04 - 08 MAY					ASSEMBLY - TI KOUKA
11 - 15 MAY	FUNDAMENTALS - TI KOUKA & KAWAKAWA	FUNDAMENTALS - TI KOUKA & KAWAKAWA	FUNDAMENTALS - MAKOMAKO, REWAREWA & KOWHAI	FUNDAMENTALS - MAKOMAKO, REWAREWA & KOWHAI	FUNDAMENTALS - MAKOMAKO, REWAREWA & KOWHAI
		YEAR 7&8 TECH			PINK SHIRT DAY
18 - 22 MAY				YEAR 0-3 LIBRARY TRIP	ASSEMBLY - KAWAKAWA
25 - 29 MAY		YEAR 7&8 TECH			STAFF ONLY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
01 - 05 JUNE	KINGS BIRTHDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED		WAIRAU CLUSTER WRITERS WORKSHOP		ASSEMBLY - MAKOMAKO
	MATHS WEEK	MATHS WEEK	MATHS WEEK	MATHS WEEK	MATHS WEEK DISCO
08 - 12 JUNE		YEAR 7&8 TECH		FIRST AID COURSE	GYM FEST FIRST AID COURSE
15 - 19 JUNE			TUA MARINO DAY		ASSEMBLY - REWAREWA
22 - 26 JUNE		YEAR 7&8 TECH			WAIRAU CLUSTER CROSS COUNTRY
29 JUNE - 03 JULY					TERM 2 ENDS ASSEMBLY - KOWHAI

Please note - The school disco has moved to Friday 05 June.



Term 2 Week 2

Kids Edible Gardens

by Roz Mundy

Week 2 -the great Kumara Harvest!!!



This term and beyond!

We will be mulching the garden area and boosting our garden beds as much as we can this term. If you have any straw, well rotted horse manure or wool insulation from meal boxes that you are willing to donate please contact me (rosalind@tuamarina.school.nz).



*Celebrating 100 Years
of Girl Guiding in Marlborough!*



SATURDAY 2ND MAY 2026

1-4pm - Eltham Road Guide Hut

An open afternoon showcasing Guiding today
plus displays featuring
Guiding over the last 100 years
A free event - Tea, coffee & cupcakes
available for a donation

to register or for more information contact
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wash your face and body every day
to wash away germs



cut and clean under your finger nails
to stop germs living under your nails



stop insect bites and skin injuries
because bites and injuries get infected



every day clean and cover
insect bites, cuts and sores
to wash away germs
and stop them spreading

find and fix



every day check sores and cuts for signs
of infection - are they red, warm, sore?



see a nurse or doctor if the infection is
bigger than a ten cent coin, or you are worried



if you get medicine or cream,
use it as instructed
to kill the germs in the body
after the skin has healed

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English

Marlborough Brick Show

2026
2nd & 3rd May

Great Displays,
Activities,
& Raffles

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Saturday 2nd May
9 am - 5 pm
Sunday 3rd May
9 am - 4 pm

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