



Tua Marina School
Te Kura o Tua Marino

Hanga Atu ki te Tua Marino
Creating the Calm Beyond

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WEEK 5, TERM 3
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PRINCIPAL KORERO

Dear School Community,

We have so much to celebrate through the lens of our CALM values!

In Community, our students have represented us with pride in

Rugby, Netball, and Hockey. Well done to all our teams!

In Active Involvement, students are giving their all in Kapa Haka,

Jump Jam, and Cross Country.

In Learning, we are seeing continued positive shifts in student progress and achievement.

In Manaakitanga, it's a joy witnessing kindness, encouragement, and tuakana-teina support across our playscapes and learning spaces.

Farewell Notice: It is with sadness that we announce Whaea Sarah has handed in her resignation, effective at the end of this year. The board accepted her resignation with deep gratitude for her immense contributions to Tua Marina. We wish her the absolute best in her next chapter, and we will organize a community celebration later in the year to honor her time with us.

Important Note: Please check your child's bag on Monday for a school consultation form regarding a potential school uniform for next year.

Ngā Mihi Mahana

Nic Walker

Tumuaki | Principal

KAWAKAWA

Year 2 - 3 || Aaron Harrison

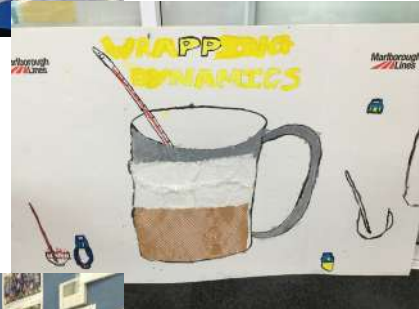
This week has been a little unusual in Kawakawa Class, with many of our students away sick. At one point, we even dropped below half the class, with only nine students in on Wednesday afternoon! We have been having fun creating different things for book week. Our ultimate creation this week has been making air-dry clay egg cups, inspired by characters from our favourite stories and nursery rhymes. There have been some wonderfully creative ideas and designs coming to life!

In between our writing, maths and reading, we have also been busy painting our Science Fair board, and it is looking fantastic! Our project is based around thermodynamics and is called "Wrapping Dynamics" – a little play on words. We tested different types of wrapping, including paper and bubble wrap, to see which material was best at keeping the heat in our porcelain cups. We are really excited to see the finished display come together!

Friday is looking to be a fantastic day, with most of the students getting dressed up for Character Day. I'm looking forward to seeing all the wonderful characters that arrive at school!

Have a wonderful and enjoyable weekend.

Mr H



MAKOMAKO

Year 4 - 5 || Erica Barlow

Science Science Science

This week we have been busy finishing our Science Fair testing and have started analysing the data we collected. We have learnt how to make a graph on Google sheets.

We are also designing the layout for our board.

Book Week

We have loved listening to the other teachers reading us books this week. We've had fun guessing which book each staff member loved as a child. A trip to the school library showed us how many different versions there are of a familiar fairy tale.

Fractions

Adding and subtracting fractions has been the focus this week, It has become obvious how much we need our times table knowledge in other strands to help us make and solve these problems with equivalent fractions.

Thank you to those who stayed home whilst sick this week. I look forward to having everyone back in full health soon. I hope you all have a restful weekend.

Erica



Kia ora e te whānau,

This week has gone by so fast, despite only having around 10 students in class each day. It is unfortunate that we have had so much illness through the school, but thank you for your efforts to keep everyone else healthy by keeping students at home.

One activity we took part in for Book Week was reading a new book and writing a book review for it. We finished these off today and will have them on display in the Library next week. We have also been diving into fractions. Looking at mixed and improper fractions, equivalent fractions and comparing and ordering fractions. A lot of new learning.

We have also been working on our Science Fair presentation. It has been a long process, and there is still a bit of work to go, but we will be having judges coming out next week to look at them and have them on display for viewing on Friday. Have a great weekend - Julian

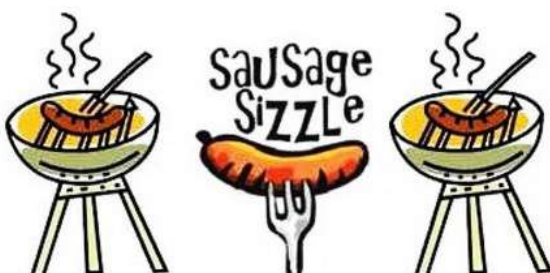
PTA CHAT

Thank you to everyone who got in quick to book a table for our upcoming quiz night! We still have a few tables available, so if you're keen to join us for a fun night out, make sure to get yours booked. - ptasec@tuamarina.school.nz

Booking will close on 14th September.

A huge thank you to those that have generously donated prizes and auction items so far. If you or your business would like to donate a prize there or Auction item there's still time, we'd love to hear from you.

The PTA is looking forward to bringing you a great night, with Mr Mason taking the reins as our Quiz Master !



SAUSAGE SIZZLES - TERM 3

**SAUSAGE \$2.50
JUICIE \$2.00**

**BI-WEEKLY, STARTING FRIDAY 31 JULY
- SAME WEEK AS ASSEMBLY -**

HOUSE POINTS

KOROMIKO	RĀRANGI	TOKOMARU	WAIKAKAHO
1065	905	1008	988

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ĀKONGA O TE WIKI WINNERS

Tī Kōuka - Kahlo G & Maeve M

Makomako - Pagan H

Rewarewa - Manaia V

Kōwhai - Charlotte P & Noah R

MEMOS FROM THE OFFICE

*Absences - Please do not be offended if you get an absence notification when we likely already know your child is unwell. Unless we have been told specifically that your child will be absent from X to Y, we have to reconfirm this every day.

***Term 4 Teacher Only Day - Tuesday 27th October.**

Labour Day Is Monday 26th October, so It will be an extra long weekend!

***Pine Valley Camp - Thursday 03rd-Friday 04th December**

The whole school will be going to Pine Valley on the morning of Thursday 03rd, staying the night, and returning to school the afternoon of Friday 04th.

If you are wanting to join us, please reach out and let the office know and get your annual leave booked!

A form will be coming out over the next couple of weeks for this exciting event!

BOOK WEEK



