

Kia Ora Koutou,

What fantastic weather for the start of term four! The term has gotten off to a busy start. We have had a sports exchange with Glenbervie School which involved our netball, football and basketball teams. This will be an annual fixture. Yesterday we had our awesome parent Aki Hisashi come in and share her amazing drawing and illustration skills with our ākongā (students). It was a great experience and very meaningful having a member of our school whanau showcasing their work. Our Tai Pari students are currently involved with the Experiencing Marine Reserves programme which saw them snorkeling in the estuary yesterday. Next week they are snorkeling at Whangaumu Bay and completing a comparison of the sea life in each area. As per usual, lots of interesting and exciting things are happening here at school.

Thanks for your support with our sun safe policy. It is good to see our students wearing hats and sunsmart clothing when they are outside.

**Teacher Only Day**

Please remember that Tuesday next week (the day after our Labour Day holiday) is a teacher only day. The teachers will be busy learning about assessment and structured literacy. Our TA's will be learning about neurodiversity and learning. Please keep your child/children at home. There is no After School Care on that day.

**FONS Dog Show**

This is on Saturday the 2nd of November. This is going to be a great day, we are all excited. Thanks to FONS for putting this on. All proceeds from events like this go to the resourcing of our school and helps fund the extra things like new classroom resources, activities and visits from performers.



Without FONS it would be very hard to fund these. Please come along and support them. I also know they are in need of volunteer help on the day. Please give them some of your time, it doesn't need to be long - 30 minutes, an hour, any amount makes a difference. If we all chip in it makes it easier for everyone. Please come to the office and put your name down and the time you can help with Kristen Sanderson our school FONS rep. Thank you in advance for this.

**Tsunami Evacuation Drill**

Our Tsunami Evacuation Drill is on Wednesday the 6th of November and will be held in the first block. We will be evacuating along Te Maika

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Road and up the hill past Evan Hamlet's place. The teachers will discuss with and prepare the students for this. It is a Health and Safety requirement that we hold these drills annually. If you have any questions on this please contact me.

### **Bus Pick-up**

Just a reminder whanau that there must always be an adult waiting for your child when they get off the bus in the afternoon. This is a bus regulation. Please make sure you are there to pick up your children or the driver cannot let them off the bus and they will be returned to school. Thank you for your support with this.

### **Use the pedestrian Crossing**

On another safety note, please make sure you are using the crossing morning and afternoon when you drop off and pick up your children. We all need to role model safe road crossing practices.

Please do not ask your child to cross the road to a vehicle in front of the school without using the crossing, this way everyone stays safe.

### **BOT Spot**

We had our first meeting for term 4 on Tuesday night and welcomed our two newly elected members, Andy Piggot and Richard Price.

The first part of the evening was Board of Trustee training in which we covered the role of the Board in governance of the school. This was a great refresher for us.

The policies we are reviewing this term are:

- Managing income and expenditure (b)
- Financial conflict of interest (b)
- School donations
- Expenditure

We invite feedback on these to ensure we have them right for our school. Please take the time to read and review and offer feedback where appropriate. You can do this through logging into SchoolDocs. See information below.

Have a great long weekend everyone! Let's hope the weather holds. See you Wednesday. As always, my door is always open

Ngā Mihi Nui,  
Rosemary Murphy



**Ngunguru School**

### **Policy review instructions:**

Visit the website: <https://ngunguru.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm>

- Enter the username (ngunguru) and password (hooked).
- Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- Read the policy.
- Click the Start your review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- Select the reviewer type.
- Enter your name (optional).
- Follow the prompts to show that you've read the topic and enter your feedback if you'd like to comment. Agree to the privacy statement and click "Submit review".

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.



Moana Tahiti have been using their imaginations to create amazing stories about superhero dogs, showcasing their creative writing skills and love for our four-legged friends. These heroic tales are inspired by our upcoming school dog show, where we'll also celebrate the real-life dogs in our community. It's sure to be a tail-wagging good time!

Here are the children's stories...



Pow! The sugar white dog named Icicle, punched Commander Pearce in the face. Running towards the exit, Icicle flipped the switch to open the prison doors. A wave of dogs were running at the titanium door with power to smash the barrier. Felix

Once upon a time, there was a superhero dog in the city. The superhero dog started to fight criminals and called the cops to take them to the Police station. Superdog helped the Police to sniff the criminals and sniff their pockets to smell for pirate treasure, gold, and princess crowns. Waiwai



Welcome to Fox News. Today, we will hear about Molly the Superhero who saved a tiny little pup from a tornado with a big shark. Bella



Scamper is creeping up to the car as darkness dawns on the city of New York. The dark blue car is parked outside of the bank near a black hole. She hears noises coming from inside even though she did not want to. Eloise

There was a bomb in the city. Suddenly, the bomb blew up. Boom! Super Puppy forgot to unplug the power source. His mission is to build the city after the big bomb. Super Puppy saves the day. Yay! Blake



When Henry the dog stood his ground, an army of zombies came to attack. Henry used his fire power to wipe them out. But... would they die so fast? Leo



## Hats

A big thank you to Ryan from Whangarei ITM, who helped coordinate a donation to the school of some bucket hats for our junior tamariki. Each Junior class has some of these hats as spare to help keep them safe. Tipa Tahi class were our models for this photo.



We were very lucky to have Aki Fukuoka visit Ngunguru School on Wednesday. Aki is a full-time freelance illustrator, collaborating with clients worldwide. She has illustrated over 80 books, most notably the acclaimed Billie B Brown series, which has captivated readers and sold over 5 million copies globally.



Aki worked with Tipa Tahi & Tipa Rua and explained the process of book making and illustrating. Bonnie, Jaynil, Oliver and Jasmine were then chosen to be made into book characters! Aki was here for the whole day, and ran workshops with all of the children from Year 0-8.

Please go to [www.akiart.co.nz](http://www.akiart.co.nz) to find out more about Aki's amazing art.

Thank you, Aki, for such a wonderful session! Please go to Kindo to make a \$2 donation towards this workshop. [click here.](#)

**Year 6 Netballers** who would like training to prepare for 7 aside Netball in year 7 2025 [click here](#) for more information.



Our yr7/8 Netball Team (The Serpents) who won the overall sportsmanship award at the Northland Intermediate Netball Prize Giving.

# NGUNGURU SCHOOL



## NETBALL



## PRIZEGIVING!

**Wednesday 30th October @ School**

**4.30pm | Fun Games**

**5.30pm | Prizegiving & Kai**

Whanau  
Welcome!

Come and celebrate our awesome Tamariki  
and their awesome year of Netball!

Whanau are welcome to participate in the fun games or join us  
later for awards and kai. Kids can dress up if they want!

Please bring a plate of kai to share. For parents coming from  
work and it's hard to bring a plate, you can put a koha into  
this bank account and some extra food will be provided.

Emma Pearce: 06-0493-0500678-05  
(please use name or 'netball' as reference)



### Community Adverts

Hello my name is James Fenwick, I am the guitar teacher at Ngunguru School. After half a year of traveling abroad I am back to teach for term 4. Teaching all ages and all levels of experience. If interested, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0273672308.