



Ngunguru School

Hooked on Learning

PUPURI TE PIHUKAHUKA MO TE AKORANGA

NEWSLETTER
Friday 16th
August 2024

Kia Ora Koutou,

What beautiful days we have been having, sunshine always makes a difference! It's also good for getting us outside which stops the winter bugs from spreading. There has been a lot of absence due to some nasty cold/flu bugs hanging around. Thanks for keeping your child home when they are feeling unwell, this does help to stop the spread. If your child is absent please make sure you let the school know. You can ring, email or text the office. It is really important you do let us know they will be away and the reason otherwise your child will be marked as truant. Thanks for your support with this.

It has been great to see the classes all out on the sand dunes training for the cross country. We must be the only kura in Aotearoa to hold their cross country in the sand dunes which is one of the many things I love about our school. Please encourage your child to participate in training for the cross country, it is part of our P.E. and Health curriculum. If they cannot participate for medical reasons please send their teacher a note otherwise they are expected to train and run. Thank you for your support with this.

Our students and teachers are busy learning. Every class I walk in I can see focused students busy with meaningful learning tasks and I feel very proud. We are a great school! You will have seen or read about the Government's initiative around structured maths. We have already started on that journey with the introduction of Pr1me Maths last year so at the moment it is business as usual for us.

Mathex

Last week we had four teams participate in the Northland Mathex competition. All the teams strongly represented our school. Although we were not in the first three, all the teams were only slightly off the third place getters for each year level. I was very proud of them. Well done to all our team members!! Thanks to the parents who also transported and watched the teams. Thanks to Tim Burke and Kristen Sanderson for organising this.

Signing in at the Office

If you are coming onto the school grounds during school time you must sign in at the office. It is important that this is adhered to as this is part of our school safety procedure. Even if you are dropping off lunch to a class or picking up a child from their class you must first sign in at the office. Please do not be offended if you are asked when on the school grounds during school time whether you have signed in, we have to know who is on site at all times. Thank you in advance for this.

OPC

I am so proud of the students and teachers for their fundraising efforts as things are all go for OPC 2024. I would like to acknowledge Kristen Sanderson's hard mahi in securing a \$12,000 grant for us. This has helped immensely, thank you Kristen. The students are heading off in just over two weeks. Year seven and eight whanau please check HERO regularly as there will be more information on the trip coming out over the next few weeks.

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Year Seven Open Evening

Our first open evening was on the 5th of August, thanks to those who came along wanting to know more about our year seven and eight programme. Our next open evening is Wednesday the 4th of September at 5.30pm. We look forward to seeing you there. This is open to the wider community so please let any other families you feel may be interested know.

Students Walking Home

We always like to make sure our tamariki get home safely, which is one of the reasons why myself and other staff members like to be out by the gate at the end of school. We especially keep an eye on our students who are walking home by themselves. If your child is walking home by themselves and is in Manaia, Tipa or Moana, please let their teacher or the office know in the morning. This means we are aware of who is walking and where they are meant to be going. It also means we can buddy them with older students who may be walking to the same place e.g the Sports Centre. Thank you for your support with this.

Lockdown Drill

It is a requirement of all schools in New Zealand to hold a Lockdown Drill annually. Lockdown is a term used to describe securing a building or site by controlling the people entering and leaving it. A school would usually trigger a lockdown for significant threats or hazards that impact on the health, safety, or security of people in the school eg. swarm of bees, aggressive dog on site, intruder

present. This term we are holding our inside and outside lockdown drill. This will mean our students will practice what to do in their classrooms if there is a lockdown and what to do in the playground if there is a lockdown. This will be covered with the students prior to the drills.

Our inside lockdown drill will be held on Thursday the 22nd August. Our outside lockdown drill will be held a week later on Thursday the 29th August. For some of our students these drills can be anxiety provoking which is why we are letting you know the dates so you can talk about this with them and assist us in preparing them.

Policies for Review

Throughout July and August the BOT is reviewing the following policies. 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. See below for more details.

Sausage Sizzle Term Three

We urgently require a cook for our sausage sizzle for the 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th September. If you are able to help or have a whanau member who could, please contact me or the office.

Have a great weekend everyone! See you on Monday. As always, my door is always open

Ngā Mihi Nui,
Rosemary Murphy



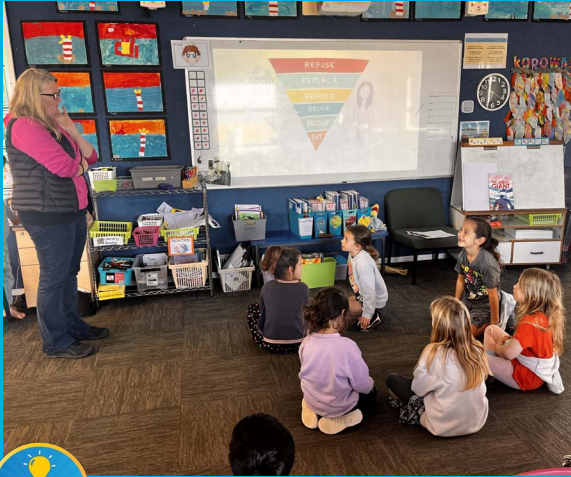
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Policy review instructions:

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.



Last week, Tipa Tahi were learning about the importance of up cycling in order to avoid contributing to landfill. We were lucky to have Lucretia, from Eco solutions, come to talk to us about this topic. Next week, we will be making dry bags for our swimming togs out of old tents!



In Tipa Rua, we have been studying the ancient Greek Olympics as a part of our 2024 Olympic studies. We explored the history of the games, learned about the different Olympic events and we learnt how the athletes of ancient Greece trained and competed. To celebrate the end of our ancient Olympic study, we hosted a special ancient Greek shared lunch, where students brought in dishes inspired by the foods of ancient Greece and dressed up in ancient Greek attire. It was a wonderful way to bring history to life and discover the ancient Olympics in harmony with the current 2024 Olympics!

On Wednesday we had a shared lunch because we were learning about the Ancient Greek Olympics. We had so much fun. I tried olives and I tried tzatziki! - Oliver Leggatt

On Wednesday we had a shared lunch. We were very very excited. We were studying Greece. We all dressed in lovely Togas. We ate a lot of kai. There was lots of baklava. We were doing it because we were studying the Ancient Greek Olympics. It was very very fun! - Jaye Van Pierce





After our day weeding and planting on the sandspit, we used this experience to write some "ing" start sentences. We would like to say a BIG thank you to the Northland Regional Council who supported us to be kaitiaki of our local dune environment.

Planting on the sandspit, Moana helped the environment to stay healthy. Kiki



Pulling a trolley load of ice plants up a hill, I was very tired, but it was fun. Koda



Digging the hole, Fletcher felt tired to his bones. Fletcher



Weeding the spikey ice plant, Moana pulled with all their might. Kane

Digging holes, I used a spade to dig deep holes and plant bushes. Blake



Planting on the sandspit, I dug my heart out. Leo



Weeding the invasive ice plants, Moana pulled out most of the green spikey leaves. Kaliya

Digging deep holes for plants on the sandspit, we helped our environment. Max

Destroying the ice plants, Moana replaced them with tiny trees. Gwen



Planting the natives plants, I pretended I was a dog digging with its front paws. Rosie



Destroying the ground around us, ice plants were scattered into the overfilled trailers and the now pest free dunes were full of bomb craters in the sand. Felix



TRIVIA NIGHT IS BACK!

Get your teams together now for another fun adults night out!

\$25 entry – this includes a light supper, please remember to pay this to your team leader asap - full payment secures your table.

Doors open 4pm – quiz starts 5pm sharp so please be on time.

Doors close 10pm.

Team Theme and Team Name – remember there are prizes and a trophy for the best dressed team so be creative as “anything goes”! You can even dress up your table!

BYO food platters – feel free to bring anything to nibble on through the night or if you have special dietary requirements.

Trivia – there will be 6 rounds with 10 questions per round as well as other fun bits and bobs. Before the trivia begins, we will tell you what each round is about and your team will need to pick their “joker” round. Your team will get double points for this round.

Email fons@ngunguru.school.nz

to book your team now - only 15 tables available!

Nau mai, haere mai
Friends of Ngunguru School/PTA
FONS PRESENTS
TRIVIA NIGHT
Tease your brain & win prizes
For best dressed team (theme “anything goes”) Winning team, Wooden spoon, plus quick fire and spot prizes

SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER
NGUNGURU MEMORIAL HALL
DOORS OPEN 4PM
TRIVIA STARTS 5PM
DOORS CLOSE 10PM

\$25
Per person/table of 6 including light supper

****BYO****
FOOD PLATTER

CASH BAR
Eftpos available

STRICTLY R18+ EVENT
Warning: some language may offend

Singles table available

For registration & further information
email: fons@ngunguru.school.nz

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... even Ms Trunchball and Wally turned up!



29th

Teacher Only Day

Community Adverts

Calling all Whanau and friends to attend a fantastic morning of local talent. All money raised stays in Northland for our cancer patients and their families. Friday 30th August at 10am onwards.

[click here for more information](#)

TIKIPUNGA HIGH SCHOOL

If students fully enrol in Years 7, 8 or 9 before the end of 2024 they will receive a free school shirt.

[click here for more information](#)

Singing Lessons \$25 per 30mins or \$20 for a 10-week term concession price. (Will roll over if child is absent)
Please Ph: 021 02755819 to book a lesson and discuss payment

[click here for more information](#)

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Te Tai Tokerau Primary School
Surfing Champs 31st Aug

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Tutukaka Coast Lions invite you to turn your trash into cash

Car Boot Sale

Sunday 20th October 9am - 12 noon

Tutukaka Village Green

[click here for more information](#)

Kai Train - From our kai table to yours. Offering kai to help support those in our community who may be falling on hard times. Get in touch if you know someone who would benefit. Donation box in school reception.

[click here for more information](#)

Free trial of MathsBuddy.

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