



Kia Ora Koutou,

Welcome to term three. We have had a great start to the term with quality teaching and learning happening across all classes. Thank you to all the whanau who came to three way conferences. What a positive experience this was for all. The teachers enjoyed working with you all to set learning goals and achieve these together. If you were not able to attend and would like to still have one, please let your child's teacher know. They are more than willing to make a time to catch up with you.

Our inquiry focus this term is Technology. All classes are studying differing forms and uses of technology through a range of hands-on activities. It is also cross country term. Mr Burns is organising this event which is scheduled for Wednesday the 28th of August. In the build up to this, our tamariki will be out training most days as part of our fitness programme. This term Tai Timu Tahi are participating in the Garden to Table programme, working closely with Whaea Carley in the garden and kitchen. Judging by the cooking smell wafting out of there yesterday, it has started well!! Our Tai Pari students have started attending Technology at Manaia View School and are really enjoying this.

Last week Karen Johnson attended the Better Start Learning Approach (Structured Literacy) conference in Christchurch. Karen is our literacy lead teacher and the knowledge she gained from the conference

will be used to upskill our teachers. The conference was affirming as it confirmed that we are on the right track and doing well with the BSLA approach.

It has been a busy week with local high schools coming to talk with our year eight students about 2025 and Rippa Rugby with Glenbervie. Unfortunately the football festival today had to be called off, 60 of our students were going and we are hopeful there will be a new date soon. Next week we have teams from years five to eight competing in the Mathex Competition at WBHS. Traditionally, our students have always done well in this event so watch this space.

Year Seven Open Evening

This is on Monday the 5th of August for all prospective parents from 5.30 to 6.30pm. If your child is in year six this year, please come along and see all the amazing opportunities Ngunguru School's year seven and eight programme offers. 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

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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. The drills are scheduled for later in the term. We will inform you of the dates closer to the time. Lockdown drills can be upsetting for some students which is why we are giving plenty of notice so you can support your child with this.

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. You can do this through logging into SchoolDocs, see instructions below.

Policies for Review

- Media
- Professional development
- Staff conduct
- Staff leave

Sausage Sizzle Term Three

Thanks to all who have embraced purchasing sausage sizzle on Kindo! Last week and today we had a large number of orders, everyone enjoying a warm sausage in this colder weather! We will continue with the ordering of sausages through KINDO only. Thank you to the two parents who have offered to help with cooking the sausages, your support is appreciated, but we still need more. Please, if you or a family member can help with this let me know. It is the old saying 'many hands make light work'.

Have a great weekend everyone! See you on Monday. 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.



Ngunguru School - Earth Ed

Yesterday, the tamariki of Moana were invited to be kaitiaki of the sandspit outside the school. Northland Regional Council came to teach us about the pest plants in the dunes and the awesome native plants that support the dune ecosystems.

We learnt to identify ice plants which have pretty flowers but outcompete the native plants. The enthusiastic tamariki filled a whole trailer of ice plants.

We also planted spinifex and pīngao grass, these are two native plants that help hold the dunes together. We want strong dunes to create habitats for our special coastal birds.

The students also learnt the importance of staying on the paths to stop the dunes eroding. It was an awesome day and I am so proud of all the enthusiastic environmentalists who got stuck in planting and weeding.



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