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Term 1 Week 5 Newsletter: Rāhina 24 ō Hui-tanguru | Monday 24 February 2025

Tēnā koutou, Mālō 'e tau lava, Talofa lava, Kia orana, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kamusta, Ayubowan, Salam.



Kia ora e te whānau, what a brilliant start to the year! We have welcomed new whānau and staff in pōwhiri, celebrated our attendance successes with a Little Day In, we have participated positively in our local sports cluster Softball and T-Ball tournament, learnt about water-safety and drowning prevention, re-established our relationship with Marist Rugby Club, and we have strengthened our relationships with Hui-a-Whanau, Fono, and our Meet the Whānau afternoon. An amazing start to the 2025 school year.

Annual Plan

Every year, the School Board and School Leaders develop a plan for how we will achieve school goals for the year.

This year, we have three goals.

1. Attendance
2. Curriculum, assessment and achievement
3. Relationships and retention

Attendance

Attendance is a Government priority for 2025. The attendance goal is supported by a comprehensive attendance action plan that includes making school and learning so much fun that your amazing kids want to be here every day. It also involves following up on all unexplained



absences, every single day. You will be familiar with Mrs Sharon Williamson’s text messages and phone calls every morning. In addition, our new Attendance Connector Matua Bismarck Leota will be door-knocking with me, to see what barriers to attendance can be removed, so that our children can attend school regularly. Two or more unexplained absences in a term are automatically referred to the Auckland City Education Service truancy team.

If your child is absent from school for any reason, please phone 0800 527634 and leave a message before 9:00 am daily. This will help us to focus on following up on unexplained absences.

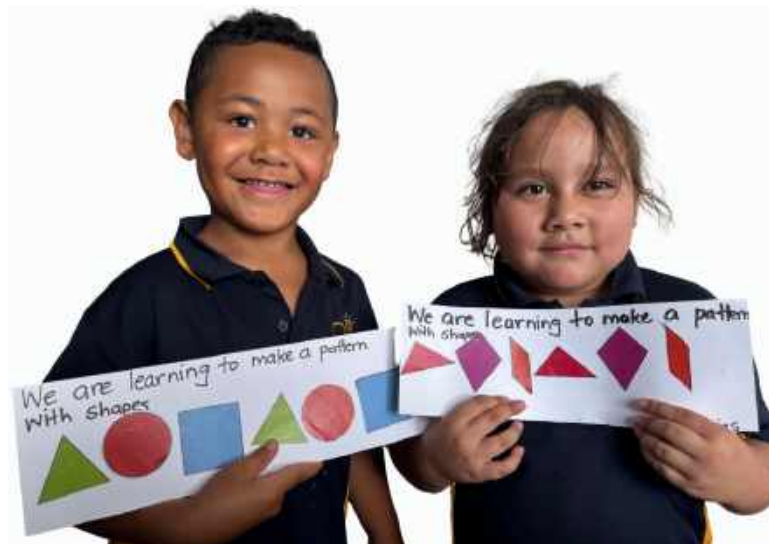
Attendance Schoolwide Term One Weeks One to Five 2025:

Week One Term One	Monday Rāhina 27 Jan <i>Auckland Anniversary</i>	Tuesday Rātū 28 Jan <i>Staff Only Day</i>	Wednesday Rāapa 29 Jan <i>Staff Only Day</i>	Thursday Rāpare 30 Jan 90% Attendance	Friday Rāmere 31 Jan 92% Attendance
Week Two Term One	Monday Rāhina 3 Feb 93% attendance	Tuesday Rātū 4 Feb 95% attendance	Wednesday Rāapa 5 Feb 97% attendance	Thursday Rāpare 6 Feb <i>Waitangi Day</i>	Friday Rāmere 7 Feb 87% attendance
Week Three Term One	Monday Rāhina 10 Feb 90% attendance	Tuesday Rātū 11 Feb 95% attendance	Wednesday Rāapa 12 Feb 92% attendance	Thursday Rāpare 13 Feb 92% attendance	Friday Rāmere 14 Feb 91% attendance
Week Four Term One	Monday Rāhina 17 Feb 92% attendance	Tuesday Rātū 18 Feb 90% attendance	Wednesday Rāapa 19 Feb 93% attendance	Thursday Rāpare 20 Feb 94% attendance	Friday Rāmere 21 Feb 94% attendance
Week Five Term One	Monday Rāhina 24 Feb 90% attendance	Tuesday Rātū 25 Feb 97% attendance			

Congratulations, e te whānau, for your outstanding commitment to regular attendance at Tāmaki Primary School! We celebrate our attendance success every Friday with an ice-block. Our ice-block is definitely well deserved!

Curriculum

Curriculum, assessment and achievement is another Government priority for 2025. This year we will continue implementing Rangaranga reo ā-tā in Te Puna Wairua Tau 1-8, and we are starting with the Better Start Literacy Approach in Year 1-3, and Structured Literacy in Years 4-8. We will be running whānau workshops throughout the year to support parents to see how our new approach to learning literacy and te reo matatini can be supported at home.



Relationships

This year, we continue to foster full immersion and bilingual education, which is integral to our community vision and the culture of our school. Te Puna Wairua, our Year 1-8 Rumaki Reo is led by Pouārahi Rumaki Whaea Lee-Ann Tutengaehe with kaiako Anahera-Pono Tutengaehe. Talamuka-‘a-Tonga, our Year 1-8 Lea-Fakatonga bilingual class, is led by Mrs Luti Tafea with Mrs Archana Sharma. Our newest dual language class, Penina o Tāmaki, is a Year 1-6 Gagana



Samoa bilingual class led by Mrs Mile Afoa-Leiataua. Tāmaki School is committed to Rumaki Reo, Bilingual Tongan, Bilingual Sāmoan and culturally responsive English Medium education for our community. We are taking new enrolments for these special character classes now. You do not need to live “in-zone” to enrol in these classes at Tāmaki Primary School.

Sports

Matua Bismarck Leota is also the new Sports Coordinator at Tāmaki Primary School. This term, our sports are Rippa Rugby, Under 12s Tackle Rugby and Volleyball. We have Tackle training every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning at 8:30 am. We want to take an Under 12s Open team to play Saturday rugby for Marist this season, and will start collecting registrations mid-March. We will register as a team through the school. We will be hosting friendly games with local schools, and playing the curtain-raiser for the Marist Premiers opening game for the season, too.

The Tāmaki Cluster Volleyball tournament is our next sports event, on **Wednesday 9 April 2025** at the Bruce Pulman Sports Centre in Takanini. There will be two teams: Years 5&6, and Years 7&8. One of the criteria for selection for the team is regular attendance, that is, attending school more than 90% of the time.

Upcoming events

School Board hui: Wednesday 26 February @ 8 am in the boardroom. School board meetings are open to the public. If you would like to join us at the next board meeting, please contact our Presiding Member Mr Kamaka Tarawa at k.tarawa@tamakiprimary.school.nz.

Year 5 & 6 Camp 5-7 March 2025: To see the School Board policies for this event please go to www.schooldocs.co.nz, search for Tamaki Primary School, and enter the username tamakiprimary and the password tripoli. From there you can search for policies for EOTC and Volunteers.

Staff Only Days: On Friday 11 April 2025 and Friday 30 May 2025 Tāmaki Primary School will be closed for Staff Only Days for professional learning and development for the refreshed mathematics curriculum.

Enjoy your week ahead.

Carol Leota
Tumuaki | Principal
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Maungakiekie-Tāmaki



WINTER CODES

EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL

FREE football sessions and games
Terms 2 & 3

Saturdays @Pt England Reserve
easternsuburbs.org.nz/community/hoka-o-tamaki-community-programme/

GI EAGLES BASKETBALL

Free community trainings, Wednesday
5:30-7pm
@Tamaki Rec Centre

Email: gieagles1072@gmail.com

AUCKLAND MARIST RUGBY UNION

@Mount Wellington War Memorial Reserve
22-50 Dunkirk Road
Email: DOO@aucklandmarist.co.nz

TAMAKI BAYSIDE BASEBALL

@Crossfields Reserve
4 Week Free Programme
Thursdays 6th March-27th March
4:00pm-5:15pm

EAST VOLLEYBALL CLUB

\$40 per term
@SanSk8 Park, Omaru lane
Wednesday 6-7:30pm
www.eastvolleyballclub.co.nz/classes/glen-innes

JUNIOR NETBALL

@Auckland Netball Centre
Thursday afternoons starts May
info@aucklandnetball.co.nz

SONSK8 INDOOR FREE PROGRAMME

@SONSK8 Indoor Skatepark, Glen Innes
Mondays or Fridays from 3:30 to 4:30 pm
Email: AARON@EASTSKATE.CO.NZ

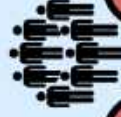
EAST CITY BMX CLUB

@54 - 64 Howard Hunter Ave, St Johns, Auckland
Email: membership@eastcitybmx.com



For more information on local clubs scan the QR code

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COMMUNITY

TĀMAKI TOUCHED

Free 6 week whanau social tournament

Friday 7th March- 4th April
5-7:30pm

@ Tamaki College Fields
Register @
www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/340298

COOK ISLAND DANCE. FREE SESSION

Saturday 22 Mar 10AM - 12PM
@ TE ORO
AGES 8+

ENROL @ TEORO.ORG.NZ

YOUTHTOWN

We offer a wide range of programmes nationwide for those aged 5-24.

info@youthtown.org.nz

ON YA WHEELS TREASURE HUNT FREE

Saturday 15th March 1pm
@ Pt England Reserve

PERSIAN BELLY DANCING. FREE SESSION

Saturday 29 March 10AM - 12PM
@ TE ORO
AGES 8+

ENROL @ TEORO.ORG.NZ

KPOP DANCE FREE PROGRAMME

STARTS 20 FEB, THURSDAY
4 - 6:30PM FOR 8 WEEKS
@ TE ORO
AGES 7+

ENROL @ TEORO.ORG.NZ

GI FAMILY CENTRE CHARITABLE TRUST

Weekly youth programme for students aged 9-13; Wednesdays after school.

Starts Feb 12th

Includes pickup/drop off and kai

Contact: 0800 443 221

For local recreation spaces and parks scan the QR code

