





February 2023 (Week 2, Term 1; 2023)

Nga mihi mahana e te whanau,

Welcome to 2023 and another fun filled year of learning at Te Mahoe school. We are finally back in our normal classrooms as the roofing project has been completed. Just in time because our first challenge for the year was Cyclone Gabrielle! Our aroha goes out to the whanau and communities badly affected by the Cyclone. Thank you for your support during the time that school was closed. I encourage all whanau to join our school facebook page, it's a great information tool, or please make sure we have your current phone number. This ensures that we can contact you in times of emergency.

It has been awesome to see our tamariki back at kura, some have grown like bean sprouts! We have had a few new enrolments, our school roll has 30 tamariki. We encourage plenty of sleep, healthy food and loving support to help your child thrive at school. As with the beginning of every year, we focus on building relationships, class routines and school expectations. Getting these right from the beginning ensures a smooth transition into solid teaching and learning.

<p>Water bottles & hats- We encourage children to bring water bottles. It helps with hydration and learning. We have a no hat no play rule. School hats are available, if your child brings a hat make sure it covers their head and face well.</p> 	<p>Swimming is compulsory. Reasons for being excused from swimming need to be written in a note to the teacher. Our pool is ready to use and we swim everyday. Structured learning to swim lessons are our focus with fun free time at the end of the session.</p>
<p>Clothing - It is so helpful to have clothing named, then we can make sure it is returned home. We end up with lots of lost property, so your help with this would be great.</p> 	<p>Attendance- Everyday at school counts. Thank you for ensuring your child attends school everyday. There is a big push on attendance this year, being sick or at a tangihanga should be the only reason a child is absent.</p>
<p>Schooldocs.co.nz- is a website where we have our school policies and procedures. You can log on by using username: temahoe password: tms</p>	
<p>Stationery - Thank you to those parents who have paid for their child's stationery so promptly. We would like stationery paid by the end of March. Please pay online using Account name -Te Mahoe School Board of Trustees, Account Number-BNZ 02-0488-0026166-00 Reference: Whanau name</p>	

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Kids poetry writing-Haiku Poetry

Speed reading a book
 One, two, three x math = me
 Homework is the best
 By Ropata Elliot

Swimming fast like flash
 Melting outside, went bombing
 Sprinting, it got hot!
 By Chaz Ranui

It was a cool day
 Ice Cream was dripping down me
 We went down to swim
 By Melanie Burling

Diving at the lake
 Ice Cream melting like the rain
 Running like the flash, sprinting
 By Nadia Waikato

UPCOMING EVENTS

22nd Feb	Whakatane Library visit
27th Feb	BOT Hui
28th Feb	GRIP Leadership Rotorua (Yr 5-8)
1 Mar	NZEI union meeting (half day)
3rd Mar	Interschool Swimming
8-10th Mar	School Camp
20 Mar	Teacher Only Day
22 Mar	Whakatane Library visit
30 Mar	Interschool Touch
6 Apr	Last day of Term One

If your tamariki come on our vans, they need to have a note from their parents if their drop off point is different to their home address, otherwise they will be dropped at home.

Principal Award	Lukey Hape	<i>For writing a story about Whaitere, independently.</i>
Values Award	Kruden Evade-Tarei	<i>For trying hard to complete his mahi.</i>
Duffy Award	Chaz Ranui	<i>For being an awesome, independent worker and showing initiative.</i>
Welcome to school	Giovanni , Zayden, Angel B, Azyhrus	

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