



(Whiringa-a-Nuku , Wk 2, Term 4; 2023)

**Kia Ora e te whanau,**

Welcome back tamariki and whanau to term four. This term is always a busy and super fast term with lots happening in and out of the classroom. Our year 8's will be both excited and nervous as they set their sights on horizons into the future. We will have some special things planned to see them off in style. If you have any enrolments or withdrawals of students for the start of next term please ring us to let us know. It helps to understand how things will look for the start of 2024.

I would like to notify parents and whanau of my resignation effective end of term 1, 2024. This decision has been one that I have pondered for a while, but I feel it is time to hand over the reins to instill a fresh, passionate, perspective for Te Mahoe kura. An exciting time for everyone! I have been truly privileged and blessed to have been involved with the many naturally, talented and wonderful tamariki at Te Mahoe kura.



We have been fortunate to have a talented student teacher from Awanuiarangi - Eru Merito complete his practicum for teaching at our kura. He has developed good connections with our students, teaching them about mau rakau, waiata, rippa rugby and gleaning knowledge from Whaea Dell on management, planning, teaching different curriculum areas, etc in the junior room. Matua Eru will be an excellent addition to the teaching profession!

**Dam visit and closures:** This Wednesday we will be visiting and looking inside the Matahina Dam. All tamariki will need to wear closed in shoes. It will take approximately 2 hours and is a follow up to our study on the dam last term. We are assured that all health and safety procedures will be followed and Risk and Assessment management in place. In regards to road closures, Manawa Energy will close the road across the dam. There will be a road closure in place across the top of the dam from 7am to 5pm on the following dates:

- Monday 30 October
- Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November



Smash Cricket was a hit on Tuesday last week!



Algebra Patterns and relationships



*The twirly tornado spinning fast in the sky - Miriama Yr 5*

*The burning sun shining lightly in space - Miriama Yr 5*

*The frowny tornado spinning strongly through the flat lands - Luke M Yr 5*

*Quickly the colourful tornado spun around on the road it looked like a rainbow - Aneta Yr 5*

*Loudly the road crumbled up into a tornado - Chaz Yr 8*

*Clouds swirling, colours twirling and wind howling as the world tore apart - Chaz Yr 8*

**Rippa Rugby for Yr 5&6 in Whakatane 4-6pm will start soon, more information to come.**

### **Dates to remember:**

**Wednesday 18th October: Visit to Matahina Dam**

**Monday 23rd October: Labour Day Holiday**

**Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd November: Teacher Only days**

**Monday 6th November: Board of Trustees Hui**

**Tuesday 14th November: Cluster Athletics**

Principal Award	Amara Hape	<i>For doing well in her maths knowledge test.</i>
Values Award	Angel Bosma	<i>For being a consistent learner in all areas.</i>
Duffy Award	Kingi Tapara	<i>For trying extra hard to form his letters correctly.</i>