

TAHUNA TE AHI, **KIA RITE KI TE MAHOE**

IGNITE THE FIRE - LIKE THE MAHOE



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NGĀ MIHI

He Toka Tū Moana, Arā He Toa Rongonui

E te whānau, Te Kura o Te Mahoe is proud to introduce Matua John Robinson, a respected descendant of Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāi Tūhoe, and Ngāti Tūwharetoa. With deep roots in Mātauranga Taiao, Matua John brings a wealth of knowledge in traditional fishing practices, covering both coastal and inland waters.

Born and raised in Kawerau, Matua John has spent his entire life in the region. His expertise extends across the natural environment and landscapes of the Mātaatua area, and beyond—ranging from Taumarunui in the west, Katikati in the north, Te Kaha and Gisborne in the east, and down to Wairarapa in the south. His profound understanding of tikanga a Taiao (environmental customs) was passed down from the late Kapua o Te Rangi Te Ua, a revered Kaumātua of Ngāti Awa and Ngāi Tūhoe and continuing this journey with local rangitira Matua Toa Te Pono.

Known for his approachable nature, Matua John adds a positive energy to our school with his wit and humour. We are thrilled to welcome him to our team as Student Learning Support Staff, where he has already built a strong and meaningful rapport with the students. His presence and contributions will surely enrich our kura.



PARENT TEACHER INFORMATION

NO HALF DAY THIS FRIDAY NORMAL SCHOOL DAY

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS STARTS THIS FRIDAY 27th September 2024

TERM FOUR SCHOOL STARTS BACK MONDAY 14th OCTOBER 2024 8.30AM

The Heart of Our Kura

WHĀNAU PARTICIPATION:

E te whānau,

Thank you to those who attended the parent teacher interviews.

Remember these interviews are for you the whānau to interview your child's teacher, regarding their learning.

<u>HUI Ā WHĀNAU</u>

We are excited to announce a Whānau a Kura hui next term, focused on openly discussing key issues affecting our kura. This gathering is an opportunity for whānau to actively participate in shaping the education and future of tamariki.

Your role goes beyond parenting, as your involvement is vital in guiding the learning journey of your child and supporting their aspirations. While our kura has its own policies and structures, the participation of whānau is the driving force behind creating a strong, positive, and enriching educational environment for all.

NGĀ WHAKAAHUA

TE AKOMANGA RUMAKI REO MĀORI - NGĀ TEINA

