

Kia ora koutou

Nau mai haere mai ki a koutou katoa ki te wahanga toru o te tau kura. Welcome to Term Three. I am happy to be back at work ready for another enjoyable and productive term.

We warmly welcome to our school Talia Chignell, Tangimanawa Rapana and Harlow Vlaardingerbroeks who have turned five years old and join Te Awa. I hope every day is enjoyable and successful for you all. Nau mai haere mai ki a koutou ki te kura o Paihia.

The term has started well. Te Awa students are enjoying being in the old Room 1 as it is bigger and there is undercover space outside. Speaking of undercover - we are getting new roofing for the walkway by the bus stop at school.

Once again I am excited about our term ahead. Over the holidays I examined the end of Term Two assessment data. We have got the best results for many years. I attribute this to the learning opportunities we are providing for our students with open learning environments, student self-directed learning, students learning from and with each other, comfortable furniture, teachers teaching to their strength, teachers working together collaboratively and having an urgency about accelerating student progress. There is some great teaching happening at Paihia School. Teachers are stepping out of their comfort zone and challenging themselves to do things differently and it is making a difference. We are still aiming for 85% of all our students to be at or above the National Standards by the end of this year. Below is a table of our results over the past few years of the students who are at or above the National Standards. While we are not at our target I am pleased to see we are already above where we finished last year and we still have two terms of teaching and learning to go. This is promising.

	End of 2014 (Target 80%)	End of 2015 (Target 80%)	End of 2016 (Target 85%)	Middle of 2017 (Target 85%)
Reading	67%	68%	66%	67%
Writing	49%	60%	64%	66%
Maths	56%	60%	63%	65%

As always we are committed to a partnership with our school community. You are always welcome at our school, your school. Together we can make a difference for our tamariki.

Check out the dates for special events. These include the E-Learning Symposium (more information about, our Te Reo Maori Week, Athletics Day, Life Education Van visiting for four days, our Science Week.

Ka pai ou wiki koutou katoa. Ka kite.
Have a great week everyone.
Jane Lindsay,
Principal.



Welcome to Talia Chignell



Welcome to Tangimanawa Rapana



Welcome to Harlow Vlaardingerbroeks



Welcome to Reminis and Christopher Wamoana

Important Dates and Events

Friday 4th August
Te Ma;unga Assembly

Wednesday 9th August
E-Learning Symposium

Friday 11th August
Nga Motu Assembly

Friday 18th August
Te Ngahere Assembly

Friday 25th August
Te Awa Assembly

Monday 4th – Friday 8th
September
Our Te Reo Maori week

Friday 15th September
Cross Country

Wednesday 20th – Monday 18th
September
Life Education van visiting

Monday 25th – Friday 29th
September
Our Science week

Friday 29th September
Last day of Term Three

Dental Caravan

Dear parents,
The Dental Van will be at Paihia School during the holidays.
I have appointments available should you wish to be present for the dental exam and /or treatment of your child, and if you have any questions regarding your child's Oral Health. Please remember that we also see Pre School children for their annual dental check-up. Phone me on 021 430 924 or email: ulrike@hauorawhanui.co.nz

Matariki Fun

On a sunny Matariki Day at Paihia School had a special visitor coming to teach the school about working as a team and also using our strength. The special visitor who came to see us is Hako Brown, he taught us a game called Tau rungarunga, Tau rungarunga is when you pick four people on each side of the big stick nearly as thick as your leg. Hako Brown counted to five in māori and then he said, "Te mata!" and then we pulled as team, if your team has already pulled the stick onto your team's side your team wins and gets to challenge different people. Your team can have more people to try and pull from the other team of four.

The other thing we did was push ups. Hako Brown even taught us how to do push ups with one hand but not every one of us could do it but I was very confident to do the two handed push up but not really the one handed as I lost my balance. Nevaeh

Tau runga runga with Hako Brown!

Three weeks ago on a sunny morning it was Matariki. We approached outside the whare quitle to meet Hako Brown. Hako Brown told us about the game tau runga runga, here is the story; we played a game called tau runga runga because the game tau runga runga teaches you not to swear during the night, otherwise you will get sucked up by the moon. We used a stick called raku which is the māori word for stick. We had four people from our class on each side of the raku. Then Hako Brown called, "Tahi, rua, toru, te mata!" then each team pulled, we pulled and pulled and pulled. Then the team on the right fell and the team on the left side won. But once everyone had had a turn we buddied up with a friend so there were eight on each side, next we pulled and pulled and pulled...
AJ Morgan-Caswell

Planting a Tree

I got a little spade.
I dug a hole.
I took the plastic off.
I put the plant in the hole.

By Ana Maria



Community Notices

Learn to Swim & Swim Development B01 Community Pool (Kawakawa)
Taking enrolments for Term 3, 4 week block 24th July – 18th August
Group classes Monday to Friday afternoons
Private lessons available
Contact Nikki to book
021 406 293 or aquasportz@xtra.co.nz

#Plastic Free Paihia - Boomerang Bags 2017

Saturday 29th July 2017
9am - midday @35Degrees South

- Bring your sewing machine
- Bring your iron
- Drop off clean t-shirts, curtains, linen & material
- Come and help cut, pin, add logos and other tasks on the day
- Hit the share button

Call Sarah on 021896998 or email info@35south.co.nz for more information.
<http://boomerangbags.org/be-involved/>

Girl Guides

Come and try Girl Guiding! We have spaces in our Kerikeri groups, and would love to offer you 3 free visits to give it a go.

If you would like your daughter to try a global organization based on development and leadership as well as offering loads of fun and social experiences, get in touch.

We have Pippins (5-6yrs old) Brownies (7-9yrs) and Guides (12yrs) Tuesday's 3:30pm – 5:00pm with spaces available.
www.girlguidingnz.org.nz or phone 0800484331

Pearl Music School

We are excited to announce that we are offering music lessons after school for Ukulele/ Drums/ Vocal/ and Guitar

We will be running lessons on Thursdays at the Paihia Memorial Hall opposite the school during Term 3 and 4.

Music educators Makareta Umbers and Neil Williamson have been active in the music business both in NZ and Australia for 30yrs. Learning an instrument teaches students how to focus, set realistic goals for themselves and release energy in a positive manner.

We also offer Trinity College of London syllabus which will give students internationally recognised grades.

Enrolling now for Term 3
10 weeks of individual lessons @ \$30

10 weeks of group lessons @ \$15
pearlmusicsschool@gmail.com
0273734149

Paihia Youth Club

Saturday 29th July 6pm to 8pm
Paihia Memorial Hall (Back room)
Taleisha's grandma is helping us to make Pois and play Maori Games.
Contact Nikki Voakes on 021 054 1795

Quote:

'Teamwork makes the dream work.'