



# Tokomaru School Newsletter



Thursday 13th June 2024



## Principal's Pen

**Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Namaste, Hello and Welcome!**

Passion Projects have begun and will run every Tuesday until the end of the term. We were so pleased to be able to have so many of our parents, grandparents, and student leaders sharing their passions with our ākonga - everything from upcycling projects, nature crafts, Māori art and carving, to making soap, baking, crochet, and more! The students were absolutely buzzing with excitement and are looking forward to next week already!

Our teachers and I spent the Teacher Only Day initiated by the Ministry of Education last week at the Rangitāne Mātauranga & Tiriti Symposium, with numerous workshops exploring everything from how to support localising our teaching and learning programmes and learning resources to the Treaty of Waitangi and its impact on how we teach, learn, and engage whānau. We also explored Tāhūrangi which is the new online home for curriculum content, teaching materials, and news for educators; in addition to looking at some information about the Science of Learning and how this impacts our students and our teaching as the Curriculum Refresh continues.

We look forward to welcoming ERO (Education Review Office) to our kura next week; an exciting time to share all that we have achieved and our future direction and strategic goals with them.

Mel Ryan - Principal.



## Admin Announcements

**Library Books:** Please return any National Library Books your children have at home, these need returning as soon as possible!

**Scholastic:** Don't forget that there is a 'Gift' option when making Scholastic orders through the Book Club. Selecting 'Gift'; means Roxanne will call you to let you know your order has arrived rather than send home with students - perfect if you want to keep your order a secret!

**Yummy Stickers:** Please continue to keep collecting Yummy Stickers and handing these in at school, they help Tokomaru School get free sports gear!

## Term Dates

Monday 29th April - Friday 5th July

Public Holidays: Friday 28th June - Matariki

## Upcoming Dates

Friday 14th June

- Epic Music Lessons
- School Assembly 2:20pm

Monday 17th June

- Board of Trustees meeting 6:30pm

Tuesday 18th June

- Board of Trustees meeting 6:30pm

Wednesday 19th June

- Rippa Rugby

Friday 21st June

- Epic Music Lessons
- Mel's Mihi 2:15pm

Tuesday 25th June

- Passion Projects 2pm

Wednesday 26th June

- Ki o Rahi Tournament Yr 4/5/6

Thursday 27th June

- Ki o Rahi Tournament Yr 7/8
- Book Battle Competition Yr 5-8
- Community Matariki Celebration from 5.30pm

Friday 28th June

- Matariki Public Holiday - School Closed
- No Epic Music Lessons

Tuesday 2nd July

- Passion Projects





## Sports

Thanks so much to everyone who has registered their child for our Rippa Rugby sessions. Josh will be coming out next week to take classes for some Rippa skills!

Today we had a very successful Cluster Cross Country. Thanks to our whānau for helping out with transportation and marshaling around the track. A big thanks to ??? for organizing the sausage sizzle.

Our seniors have been working hard with Jayden perfecting their skills in Kī-o-Rahi. A selected few tamariki will be coming home with a permission slip to attend the Kelly Sport Kī-o-rahi Tournament.

Thanks,  
Miss Gordon and Miss T.

## Library

Congratulations Lydia and Dom, on finding a Lucky Library Tickets, we hope you enjoy your prizes!



## Boys in Netball

Our boys had so much fun at the 'Boys in Netball Festival'! Thanks Michaela and Netball Manawatu for all your organisation.

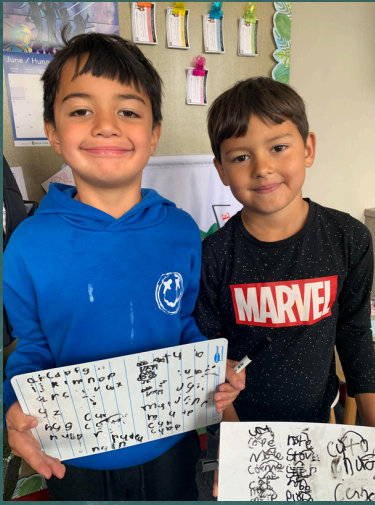
This year, our students have had weekly workshops with Michaela. Today we were able to celebrate all their hard work with other schools involved.



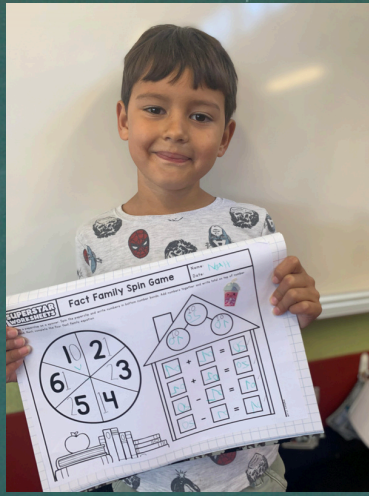


# Student Stars

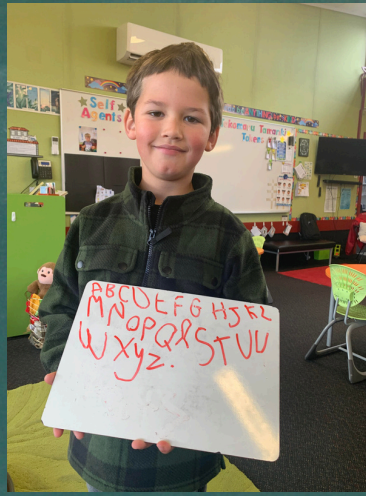
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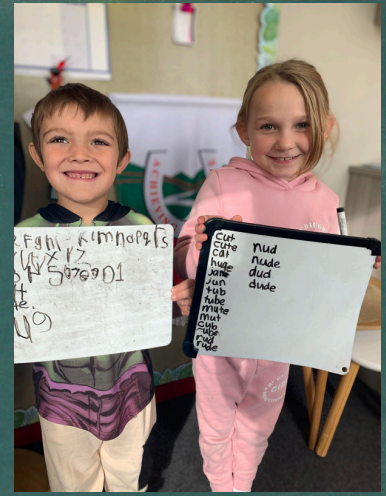
Ezekiel and Noah's Phonics Teamwork!



Noah's Mighty Maths!



Ash's Amazing Alphabet!

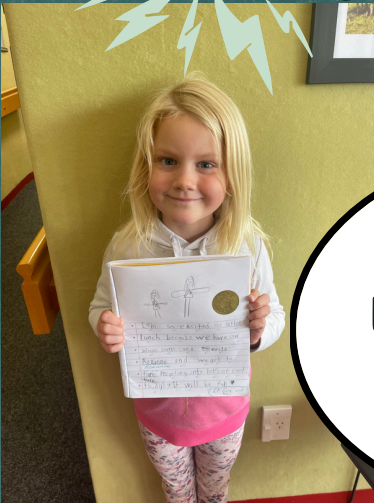


Asgeirr and Marley's Super Phonics!

**WONDERFUL!**

## Passion Projects

Passion Projects started today and the students were buzzing! We are thankful to the parents and student leaders who shared their passions with our tamariki today - looking forward to next week already.



Rory created three amazing peices of writing since our last newsletter, Ka Pai, Rory!





# Ōtaki KIDS WORKSHOP + pop-up market

Register for our free workshop and learn how to take your market stall to the next level!

- Introduction with Kapiti Mayor
- Understanding your customer base
- Five minutes with a young entrepreneur
- Media training: Coast Access Radio & the Ōtaki Mail
- Merchandising session
- Speed Pitching with local businesses
- Graduation

Finishes with a Pop-Up Market  
3.15pm - 4.30pm

SUNDAY  
21  
JULY

10am - 5pm  
Ōtaki Memorial Hall

Ages 9 - 19 years old



Register for Free  
[otakiwomensclub.org/kidsmarket](http://otakiwomensclub.org/kidsmarket)

Speed Pitching



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## Home & School

Chairperson - Emily Argyle  
Secretary - Karen Lister  
Treasurer - Roxanne Eastham  
School Reps - Mel Ryan and Whaea Torah  
Parents - Ronnie Parsons and Katrina Lawton  
Grants Officer - Adele Coles

## Board of Trustees

Chairperson - Dave Lawton  
Principal - Mel Ryan  
School Rep - Simone Gordon  
Treasurer - Jade Twomey  
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## The Kindness Corner

“Kindness is giving hope to those who think they are alone in this world”

-RAKtivist

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