



## Te Kura o Hau Karetu

He waka eke noa: *We're all in this waka together*  
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### Pānui/Newsletter 29 August/Here o Piripi 2023

Kia ora, Kia orana, Malo e lele, Faka lofa lahi atu,

**Kauapa mo te Wiki/Value for the week:** Akohia/Learning: We are using our learning voices in the classroom. Learning voices means we:

- Use a quiet voice – other people are trying to work so keep our voices down and low
- Speaking to others about what we are learning
- Think about when it's best to get the teacher's attention for help – i.e. are they busy talking to someone else? If so, wait your turn.



**Golden Children** – We have all been designing our own tukutuku patterns for our final pieces which are to decorate our hall. Mannat has created an amazing piece where she's sewed a whare onto black paper – it looks amazing!

**Sports Congratulations:** I just wanted to say a huge ngā mihi/thank you to those of you who have volunteered to be sports coaches and managers of sports teams this year, who have gone above and

beyond! We have had some awesome successes in our sports teams and it's all thanks to the following people: Donna Williams (manager), Whaea Mākere, Tamz Te Wano, Heidi and Clinton Matthews, Kōka Kahurangi (netball), Shea Coxson, Clinton Matthews, Steven Limmer-, Paige Nuku (basketball). You have made a difference in our tamariki's lives and we thank you for this!



**A reminder to netballers to please return your uniforms to school as soon as possible – thank you.**



**Change of phone numbers & addresses** – we've had a few whanau who we've been unable to get hold of because they've changed their phone numbers. It's really important that we are able to get hold of you in the event of an emergency – please ensure you give us your new phone numbers and address if they have changed. Thank you.

### Head's up:

- **COVID:** it's still around. We do have vulnerable people in our school community, and would appreciate it if you do feel unwell, give yourself a COVID test just in case and advise us. **For any illness** – please keep children home if they are unwell. We would appreciate it if you would also advise us each day that they are going to be absent.
- **Skool Loop App:** We would encourage you to all install the Skool Loop app onto your phones. It is a great way for us to communicate to you.

- **Gates are closed each day from 9am to 3.10pm.** We would encourage you to drop your child outside the school in the mornings. We will bring your child to the gates in the afternoons and cross them over the road at Hillside Drive, and walk them from the back gate to Norana Road. **Please don't park on the yellow lines or park on footpaths.**
- **School Policies and Procedures:** Policies for review this term are: Inclusive Education, Māori Education, Learning Support, Learning Support Coordination, Identifying Learning Support, and Gifted Learners. These are all important policies. We'd encourage you to go online to have your say: Go to: [schooldocs.co.nz](http://schooldocs.co.nz) – input our school name, userid: māoribank and password: waka
- **School Website:** We have changed our school website. The address is: <http://tehoraohaukaretu.weebly.com>.
- **Elections are coming up on 14<sup>th</sup> October.** Make sure you're registered to vote and have your say as is your right as a citizen of Aotearoa/NZ. Go to: <https://vote.nz/2023-general-election/resources/resources>
- **Mud:** We are encouraging children to stay off the grass due to the muddiness of it. It is a good idea for caregivers of younger children to pop a change of clothes into their bags, and maybe get them to wear gumboots for this time of the year. Thank you.
- **Nits on Wednesdays with Whaea Tish:** if your child is having treatments done with Whaea Tish, **please provide a clean bath towel** in your child's bag – thank you. If your child has received a treatment, they will be treated again the next week. In the meantime though, please check their hair after 3 days and comb out any nits that may have hatched. We recommend using conditioner and a nit comb. Nit combs and nit treatment are available at school – please just let us know. Thank you.



### Riddle me this:

*Well done to Archer who won last week's riddle. The answer was "a river".*

*This week's riddle: "What 2 things can you never eat for breakfast?"*

Nga mihi nui, Karen Wellington, Kaihau/Timekeeper on the Waka

### Significant items for the Term 3 calendar:

<b>Week 7 28Aug-1Sept</b>	Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> August – Parent Support Group - Neurodiverse students – 9am in staffroom
<b>Week 8 4-8 Sept</b>	Wig Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Raising money for child cancer
<b>Week 9 11-15 Sept</b>	Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori/Māori Language week – Thursday – we are joining all schools for a rolling haka at Te Awakairangi at 12pm (weather permitting)
<b>Week 10 18-22 Sept</b>	Last day of term Friday 22 Sept. Return to school for term 4 on Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October.

My whanau and I have read the newsletter for 29<sup>th</sup> August/Here o Piripi 2023. Please tear off and put into the draw for a prize at assembly on Friday.

Signed (name): \_\_\_\_\_