

# Tikipunga Primary School

Kia taki manawa ai te aronga wawata, te ekenga hoki o pae tawhiti  
Respecting aspirations, walking together, achieving our goals

PANUI 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

## From Whaea Cherise:

Kia ora e te whanau

Can you believe it is Week 4 already?

This term has started off so awesomely! We have several new faces in our school community and our roll has rocketed to 330+ students.

As always, we have our amazing teaching team back on board. We also have three wonderful new additions to our teaching team this year with Whaea Danica in Room 6, Matua Shane in Room 8, and Matua Trent in Room 13.

We have our learning programs up and running and our students are so engaged in their learning. We will be hoping to share some amazing learners in each of our newsletters that come out. This week we have two students who have been amazing, and they are Stylez and Nga Tamariki. Well done!

Keep an eye on our Facebook page 'Tikipunga Primary School Official' for updates and of course our Weekly Upstanders.

Just a reminder that with our roll growing so does our traffic. Traffic on both Paramount Parade and Tania Place can get chaotic. If you have older children who can wait a little longer after school, please think about delaying your pick-up by five or so minutes. Please whanau be patient and careful when driving around our roads – all our Tamariki are our taonga and we need to be super careful – because they move quickly!

It is so good to be back and fully in the swing of it all again. Thank you to all our returning whanau for being so amazing, and welcome to all our amazing new whanau too. I look forward to another action-packed year with you all.

Nāku nā  
Whaea Cherise

## IMPORTANT KURA DATES:

<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Board Hui – 4.30pm in the Staffroom
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	WPSSA Swimming Championships
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Board Hui -4.30pm in the Staffroom
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Good Friday – no school
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	Easter Monday – no school
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	Easter Tuesday – no school
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	End of Term 1
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Start of Term 2



## OUR DETAILS:

Principal:  
Cherise Backhouse-Wilson  
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Whangarei 0112  
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09 437 0743  
0800 845 477  
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Office Hours:  
8.00am—3.30pm

## 2024 TERM DATES:

**Term 1**  
2 February – 12 April  
**Term 2**  
29 April – 5 July  
**Term 3**  
22 July – 27 September  
**Term 4**  
14 October - TBC

## SCHOOL HOURS:

**School Begins 8.30am**  
Morning Tea  
10.30am—11am  
Lunch  
1.00pm—1.30pm  
**School Finishes 2.30pm**

## GATES

Please remember that our gates are closed during the day.

## ABSENCES:

**Please** let us know your child is absent before 9.30am. After this time, you will receive a text from the school. It is important for us to have great communication regarding absence.

## HAVE YOU MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER?

**Please let Whaea Lena know so she can keep the records up to date. This really helps if we need to get in touch with you.**



**FREE dental care for under 18s**  
Kei raro iho i te tekau mā waru, kāhore he utu

**TIPS TO KEEP YOU SMILING**

**Fluoride in toothpaste helps prevent tooth decay**

Avoid eating or drinking after brushing teeth, especially at night so the Fluoride can keep working to protect and strengthen teeth.

Need a dental appointment for your child?  
**0800 MY TEETH** (0800 698 3384)  
**Monday to Friday 8am to 4:30pm**



**0800 698 3384**  
(0800 MY TEETH)

**Te Whatu Ora**  
Health New Zealand

**FALE PASIFIKA  
DANCE ACADEMY**

WE ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT KEEPING OUR PASIFIKA CULTURE ALIVE AND IT IS OUR PRIVILEGE TO OFFER OUR 2024 DANCE PROGRAMME TO THE COMMUNITIES OF WAIPU & WHANGAREI!!!

Waipu Presbyterian Church  
50 The Centre, Waipu  
STARTING DATE:  
WEDNESDAY 14TH FEB

Whangarei Intermediate  
32 Rust Avenue, Whangarei  
STARTING DATE:  
FRIDAY 16TH FEB

Cost:  
**\$5 PER CLASS**  
PAYABLE AT EACH CLASS  
(INTERNET BANKING  
AVAILABLE)

**JUNIORS:**  
(5-10 YEARS)  
4:00 - 4:45PM

**SENIORS:**  
(11-15 YEARS)  
5:00 - 6:00PM



NEW AND RETURNING DANCERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE MANDATORY REGISTRATION ONLINE BEFORE ATTENDING FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE DAY

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:  
MOX - 02040736574 OR FALE PASIFIKA 09 4302717

**TIKI PRIDE presents**

**Whānau at the Falls**

**16th March at OTUIHAU Whangarēi Falls**

• Live music • Food stalls • Games & Activities

**ENJOY A GREAT FAMILY DAY OUT**

Contact TikiPride on 027 276 6957 or email tikipride@gmail.com



**MARIST RUGBY**  
PARK AVENUE, KENSINGTON

**Saturday Rugby- Register NOW!!**

Time to start registering for the upcoming rugby season.

Grades from: Under 5's to Under 13's.  
New Players Welcome.

Registration day: 17th March- 9am-12pm

Meet and Greet: 21st March- 4pm- 6pm

New to Marist- We will need to see a copy of your birth certificate.

Any questions: Contact Shelley on 027 228 7987  
or email: maristrugbywhangarei@gmail.com  
Website: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/maristrugbywhangarei/Home>



**Girls Rippa  
Tournament**

Location: Northland Clubrooms at Pohe Island, Riverside Drive.

When: Sunday 24th March

Grades: Looking for players for U7, U10 & U13 teams



**Marist Rugby**  
PARK AVENUE, KENSINGTON

**Meet and Greet**  
Meet your coach & team mates!

BBQ

New registrations

Hoodie & Uniform purchases

Games

Get your name printed on your new hoodie-  
\$10 (TBC)

**21st March 4pm-6pm**

Any Questions: email: maristrugbywhangarei@gmail.com or phone Shelley on 027 2287987



As you all know Whangarei Life Education is a Charitable Trust, and we have been given the opportunity to team up with One Good Kiwi an initiative from ONENZ. You can help us get a share of \$100k, by voting for us.

It is really simple, download the free app, (<https://onegoodkiwi.nz/ios> OR <https://onegoodkiwi.nz/android>) and using the green tokens, vote for Whangarei Life Education Trust!

We have until the end of February to get as many votes as possible. We would really appreciate it!