

2024

Tikipunga Board of Trustees:

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School Management Team:

Cherise Backhouse-Wilson	Principal
Judy Panapa	Assistant Principal
Angus Lauagiagi	Senior Syndicate Leader
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Sophie Hayward	Assistant Principal & Junior Syndicate Leader

Classroom Teachers:

Trent Walker	Room 13	New Entrants/Year 1
Kylee Parker	Room 12	Year 1
Lychia Hepi	Room 11	Years 1/2
Heather Brown	Room 10	Year 2
Aimee Suvalko	Room 9	Year 2
Shane Nicholas	Room 8	Year 3
Malvina Ferris	Room 7	Year 3
Danica Pevats	Room 6	Years 3/4
Quint Rahui	Room 5	Year 4
Bas Hauraki	Room 4	Years 4/5
Kylie Kahotea	Room 3	Year 5
Reena Toby	Room 2	Years 5/6
Angus Lauagiagi	Room 1	Years 5/6
Carlene Mason		Literacy Program
Wiremu Neho		Sports Coordinator / Classroom Release

Permanent Support Staff:

Lena Koosmann	Office Administrator (Mon to Thurs)
Ant Backhouse	Office Administrator (Friday)
Rebecca Erickson	Caretaker



Tikipunga Primary

11 Tania Place, Tikipunga

Ph 09 437 0743



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



About our School

Tikipunga Primary School opened in 1966. We are a contributing primary school and cater for children from Year 1 through to Year 6. We have a growing roll of around 340 students. When our Tamariki leave us they generally transition into Tikipunga High School which caters for students from Year 7 through to Year 13.

We are whanau-focused and our students are at the center of all that we do. We believe there is nowhere better to spend your primary years than at Tikipunga Primary.

We have an amazing team of teachers and learning support staff who ensure that all of our learners have the opportunity to be the absolute best they can be.

We welcome school tours, so if you want to find out more please feel free to contact the Office.

School Values

Ako runga	“Expect the best from everyone”
Manaakitanga	“We ALL count -
Whanaungatanga	We ALL matter”
Pono	“Be brave, have courage, do the right thing”

School Hours

School Starts:	8.30am
Morning Tea:	10.30am-11am
Lunch:	1pm-1.30pm
End of Day:	2.30pm

2024 Term Dates

Friday 2nd February to Friday 12th April
Monday 29th April to Friday 5th July
Monday 22nd July to Friday 27th September
Monday 14th October to Tuesday 17th December

What's on?

Students at Tikipunga Primary have numerous opportunities available to them. Some of our current opportunities include:

- Road Patrol
- Swim 4 Life
- Education Outside the Classroom
- Lunchtime Sports
- School sports teams
- I Have a Dream
- Study Clubs
- Extension Writing

We are excited about our future and we are planning on developing some new and exciting opportunities for our pupils. We are also very keen to have community input and suggestions

Enrolments

Enrolment forms can be collected from the school office or one of the local early child care centres. If you have any queries regarding enrolling a student please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Healthy School Lunches

Pita Pit provides lunches and snacks each day for each child at school. Any food allergies are catered for. The individual lunches are distributed to each class.

Fruit in School

We have fruit donated to the school and this is distributed to each class for the students to enjoy.

Absences

If a child is going to be absent, we ask that parents contact the school to let us know. We have an answerphone service for absences, so please call any time and leave a message on 437 0743 or our Freephone number 0800 845 477

Our office administrator is available in the office from 8am to 3.30pm.