# Tikipunga Primary School

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

## PANUI 17th July 2025



Kia ora Whānau

Welcome back to Term 3. This term's learning focus is STEAM, an integrated teaching approach that brings together Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics.

It's all about hands-on learning with real-world applications so expect plenty of wonder, curiosity, and surprise as our students explore and create throughout the term.

## Attendance

Understandably with winter illnesses significantly impacting attendance across the school, only 29% of students attended Kura 90% or more for Term 2. We're aiming to lift this in Term 3 and will keep you updated on progress throughout the term.

## <u>Upcoming Board of Trustee Elections</u>

Our triennial elections are coming up. Please see the notice on page 2 of this newsletter. Nomination forms will be posted out next week.

## PLEASE LET WHAEA LENA KNOW IF YOU HAVE CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS!

## Reminder: Staff Professional Learning

In Term 3, Monday 11 August we have a Teacher Only Day. Staff will be continuing their professional learning in Mathematics curriculum, with a focus on planning, explicit teaching, and understanding progression in Measurement and Number.

## Former Students Shine at Māori All Blacks Game

It was wonderful to see past students of Tikipunga Primary School take part in the pōwhiri for the Māori All Blacks game and the half-time entertainment.

Former students Tearii, Noah, Kapea, Te Awhireinga, Kiritiana, Vase and lona truly represented their culture and pride as young leaders. They carried themselves with confidence and mana - a proud moment for our kura and community.

Ngā mihi

Whaea Judy Acting Principal

## **IMPORTANT KURA DATES:**

**Tuesday 29th July** BOT Hui – 4.30pm

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July** Cyber Safety Evening – Tiki High - 6.30pm – 8.30pm

**Thursday 31st July** Middles – Otuihau Walk

Monday 11th Aug Teacher Only Day – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Aug** Nominations Close for BOT Elections



## **OUR DETAILS:**

Acting Principal:
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Office Hours:

## 2025 TERM DATES:

8.00am—3.30pm

Term 3

14 July – 19 September

Term 4

6 October – 16 December

## **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 for the safety of our students.

## ABSENCES:

Please let us know your child is absent before 9.30am. 0800 845 477
After this time, you will receive a text from the school. It is important for us to have great communication regarding absences.

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.

## School Board of Trustee Elections - 2025

Nominations are open for the election of five (5) parent representatives to the school Board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community.

You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for nominations and information on who is not eligible to be a board member.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 11th August 2025. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

You can either post your nomination form to: Returning Officer, Tikipunga Primary School, 11 Tania Place, Tikipunga 0112 OR pop it in the ballot box in the office.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at noon on Wednesday 10th September 2025.

If you have any queries, please contact Whaea Lena (Returning Officer).

## LINE DANCE CLASSES - TUESDAY EVENINGS BEGINNING 29<sup>™</sup> JULY 2025

Comfortable clothes that are easy to move in. Comfortable sneakers. Please bring a drink bottle as you can become dehydrated quite easily.

## CLASS DESCRIPTOR

Youth For those aged 8 years to 14 years. No experience necessary.

### Absolute Beginner

For those aged 15 years and over with absolutely no line dance experience. Learn the basics – etiquette, steps, simple dances

Beginner
For adults with some line dance experience. You will already know the basic steps and have at least 1 year of line dance experience.

<u>Improver</u>
For adults with at least 2 years line dance experience. This class will build on the basics, adding slightly more challenging steps and dances.

Intermediate
For adults who have mastered a comprehensive range of step patterns and

Advanced
Builds on the intermediate level and includes complex steps and dance sequences.

## COSTS

Youth: \$5 per class

Absolute Beginner: Students \$5 per class. Adults \$6 per class

Beginner/Improver: Intermediate/Advanced: \$6 per class

If you wish to attend both the beginner/improver and intermediate/advanced class (subject to dance ability) the cost for both classes will be \$10.

## TIME S

4pm – 5pm 5.15pm – 6.15pm 6.15pm – 7.15pm Absolute Beginner: Beginner/Improver: Intermediate/Advanced: 7.15pm - 8.15pm

For more information please phone/text Liz 0276631468

