

# Tikipunga Primary School

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

PĀNUI 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026

Kia ora whānau

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you were all warm, safe, and well during the break, especially with the recent wet weather.

## Matariki Open Day – 1 July

This term, our tamariki are becoming scientists of the stars and the soil! We are diving deep into the Maramataka Māori to understand how the moon and stars guide our environment. To celebrate this journey, we invite you to our Matariki Open Day on July 1st.

The Open Day is your chance to step into your child's world. You'll be able to:

- Tour Classroom: You'll see a range of learning, from Earth systems to scientific observations, depending on your child's year level.
- Kōrero with Teachers: Discuss your child's progress, their next steps in learning, and how you can nurture their curiosity at home.

Further information regarding the full programme for the day will be shared later this term. We can't wait to see you there!

## Winter Sports

Winter sports are now underway, and I would like to extend a big mihi to all the whānau and staff who have generously given their time to coach and manage our teams. Your support makes these opportunities possible for our Tamariki.

## Every Day Counts

At Tikipunga Primary, every day matters. We value commitment, progress, and showing up for learning. Being at school regularly helps students stay connected, build confidence, and make steady progress alongside their peers.

## School Policy

Our school policies can be viewed on the school website. Simply search "School Docs" to access them.

## ANZAC Day Observed

A reminder that **school will be closed on Monday 27 April** as we observe ANZAC Day. We look forward to welcoming students back on Tuesday 28 April.

Ngā mihi

**Whaea Judy**  
Acting Principal

## IMPORTANT KURA DATES:

<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>ANZAC Day Observed – no school</b>
<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Winter Sports
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May</b>	"Speak Up Friend" Show
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Board Meeting
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>	King's Birthday – no school
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Maths PLD
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Matariki Open Day
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	Last day of Term 2
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	First day of Term 3



## **OUR DETAILS:**

Acting Principal:

Judy Panapa

Address:

11 Tania Place

Tikipunga

Whangarei 0112

Phone:

09 437 0743

0800 845 477

Email:

admin@tikiprimary.school.nz

Office Hours:

8.00am—3.30pm

## **2026 TERM DATES:**

### **Term 1**

2 February – 2 April

### **Term 2**

20 April – 3 July

### **Term 3**

20 July – 25 September

### **Term 4**

12 October – 14 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.**



Dear Rainbow,  
 How blessed Tiki Primary was to have you choose us as your daytime family. It always made me smile seeing you stroll around the school like you owned it (and you pretty much did...) or having you pop in for a cuddle or finding you napping in your favourite places.  
 I'm grateful you passed peacefully my old friend and drifted off in your sleep. No pain. No distress. Just a final breath to take you to your well-earned rest. You will be missed by all of us here at the school – thank you for letting us love you and thank you more for loving us back.  
 Rest in peace you dribbly old thing...  
 Whaea Lena

KAMO & NGUNGURU FIRE STATION PRESENTS

# KAMO TOUCH-A-TRUCK

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## TIKIPUNGA UNDER 7'S RIPPA RUGBY LOOKING FOR PLAYERS

If you have any under 7's who would be interested in representing the Tikipunga Club playing Rippa Rugby, please call Teesh Te Waaka on 021 109 9107 or get in touch via her Facebook page.

Training will be on a Wednesday afternoon at the Tikipunga sports grounds.