

26 July 2023
Term 3 Week 2

Learning Focus.

In last weeks newsletter you were introduced to our Tūtara wānanga Learner.

I hope you have taken the opportunity to read it and chat with your child about it.

This term the whetu focus for our kura is Manaakitanga and Kaitiaki Te Ao.

Classes will be learning about the Tākitimu Waka and understanding the story of Mauao and how this connects to us at Tūtara wānanga.

Community

Last week I attended a meeting run by the city council which looked at a draft proposal to make our streets safer around the Merivale shops. A suggestion is to introduce one pedestrian crossing where the Fraser Street bus stop is, opposite the community centre. The bus stop would be moved further down towards Hampton Terrace.

The other pedestrian crossing would be in Kesteven Ave and would be located close to the community centre. The pedestrian crossings are designed to create safer ways for people especially children to cross the very busy Fraser street and then over into the shops. These ideas are still in the development and discussion stage.

Year 6's - Tauranga Intermediate

Next week Tuesday 1st August, Jack Thatcher and Tracey Kerr-Aim from Tauranga Intermediate will be visiting our year 6 students to let them know about Tauranga Intermediate School. They will be bringing their school prospectus which provides you with enrolment details and instructions. Please keep an eye out for it.

Social Worker

Last week we welcomed our new social worker in school Renee Sheridan.

She will be at our kura on Mondays through to Wednesday. I must thank Awanui and Awaiti for the powhiri to welcome her. A special thanks to Nikau Kioa our student leader who spoke on behalf of our kura.

There is a koha shop on the corner of 11th Avenue and Christopher Street that opens every Tuesdays and

Thursdays. There are no prices on items, just leave a koha if you can.

Check it out

at <https://www.Facebook.com/GracedOppShop>

Swimming

Week 2 brings the second swimming lesson for our kura. I would like whanau to encourage all children to bring their swimming togs and take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. The lessons are totally free and they could save your child's life.

A huge thank you to all our teachers for making this happen and going the extra mile to make sure if togs and towels remain at school they are dried and ready for the next

Sports News:

Basketball:

Friday 28 July 23

Merivale Carvers vs Pongakawa
Court 6 Mercury Baypark 5.30pm

Netball:



Saturday 29th July

Tauranga Netball Centre, Mt Maunganui.

The draw is not out yet, we will let each player know when it is available

WINTER is here this week:

Reminder that we have cosy warm winter jackets and hoodies available at the school office. These are priced at \$65 each, if you would like to pay for these in instalments then please see the school office.

Winter uniform for the boys is shorts only however the girls are able to wear plain black tights under their skirts and shorts if they wish.

