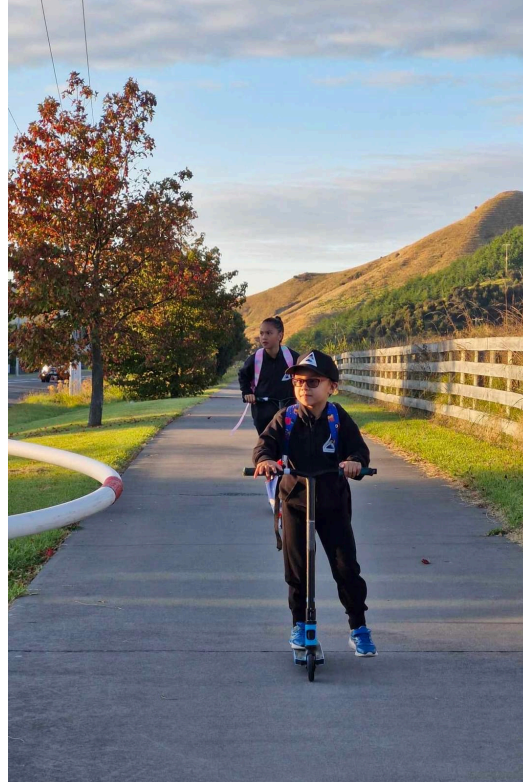


# Updates @ Kaiti

Kia Tū Maia, Kia Tū Pakari, Kia Tū Rangatira



KĀITI SCHOOL



Wero Wenerei  
Walking, biking, skating, scootering

*Congratulations to Israel Ruru and his GBA U14s representative boys team with their silver medal on the weekend at the Mel Young Easter Tournament in Tauranga. Ka mau te wehi Hinemihiaata and Te Ahiwera Aupouri for getting out there and scootering to kura. You are awesome!*

We have one more week next week whānau

Tēnā koutou katoa! Easter break was lovely and I wanted to start this pānui by reminding you that this week is a 11 week term. Ae, it is a long one, so one more week next week please whānau. Please keep sending those Kaiti kids to kura. We close for holiday break on Friday 12 April. We got this!

70 plus have 100%!

We know our Kaiti kids love coming to kura and this term to celebrate those who have managed to come every day, there will be mystery trip tickets coming out to celebrate this huge achievement. At the current time, there are over 70 students on track for 100%. #kaitiproud!

New student leaders

We have completed late votes, voting is now completed and we have some new leaders to announce. We can't wait to share this exciting news next Monday. A big mihi to the student leader nominees who put a huge effort into their election campaigns along with their families.

Action day for Tu Rangatira

A lucky group of Year 7-8 students have been working with TROTAK youth

Miharo!  
Attendance rate  
88 - 90%

**Ruatepūpuke made a long line to survive in the water at Swim for Life Programme this week.**

services participating in special activities on Tuesday afternoons. Last week, Kōkā Laice Jackson took the action team horse riding. We are grateful to Kōkā Laice and the team for these wonderful opportunities.

### Swim for Life Tairāwhiti

Next week we complete the Swim for Life programme. Students have been very lucky to have been involved in a term long swim programme that has been fully funded. We have seen a huge growth in the confidence levels of our students who have taken the opportunity to develop their confidence in the water.

A few weeks back, we had senior swimming sports booked in at Gisborne Boys High Pools. This was cancelled due to weather. Boys High have since closed their pool so we thought we'd try Kiwa Pools and book there for our swimming sports. Unfortunately the cost is too high for our sports budget. We will look to have our senior swimming sports in term 4 when the pool reopens.

### Property Works updates

We had some serious roof leaks following Cyclone Gabrielle in 2023. Finally, all three blocks that had serious roof leaks have had full partial roof replacement completed. We now move our focus to the hall that also had some water getting in through the roof line.

### Banking today, saving for tomorrow.. nice work Whare Topito

Thank you for all your good saving Whare Topito with 100% bankers last week. We had 47 keen bankers last week saving for tomorrow. Keep it up everyone. Welcome on board to Reef Molloy, our newest banker who also starts school soon.



### Tane te Hihiri are ready for the challenge on

#### Wero Wenerei

Kōkā Kayla was very proud of her students this week. 16 of the 19 of her class which is 84% walked, scootered, biked got on their skates and rolled to kura yesterday. Just 3 students got a ride in their waka. Think about how much petrol was saved by the students of Tane te Hihiri and the decrease in pollution from gas fumes. #making a difference for others.

### Kutu are around

We have a few kutu around. Please check your child's hair. If your child has live kutu, please treat their hair before they return to kura. We need to be vigilant with this please whānau.

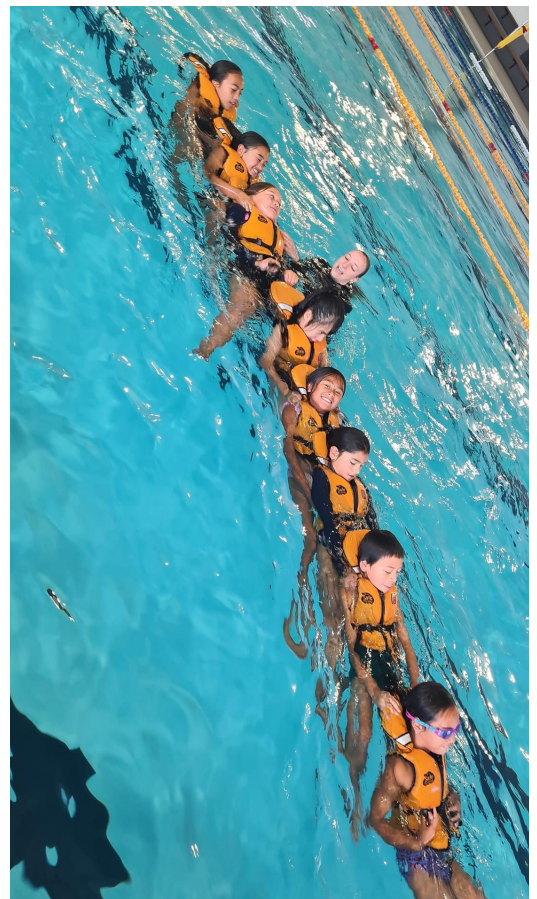
### Sports Updates.

There is a lot of sporting activity on at the moment in preparation of the winter season competitions. A few reminders:

Soccer and Netball



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registrations are now due for all year levels. Please pick up your letter from the office, complete and pay your registration fee at the office. Teams for juniors will then be compiled.

### More Sports updates

Senior Sports teams train. The expectation is that if your child makes the academy teams, that they participate fully in the training sessions and have the right gear. **No gear, no training.** Wearing crocs for netball and soccer is dangerous! Please see us if you are finding it hard to source soccer boots. We do have a few spares that have been donated.

Final reminder: attendance and positive behaviour at kura are an important criteria for our sports teams.

### Whānau Ora Programmes....active thriving whānau

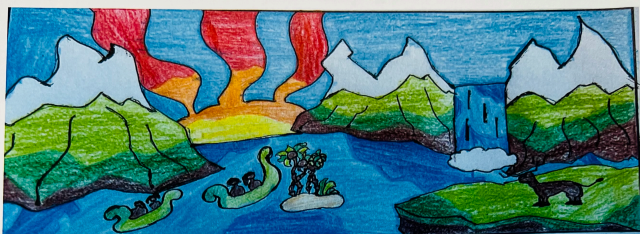
It is really wonderful to see the large numbers of parents, Nans and Koroua who have joined the whānau ora activities this term. It is special to hear that Nanny are taking time out for themselves to do some aqua aerobics or go for a hikoi with other whānau ora families. It's not too late to join Whānau Ora. Our families love seeing new whānau join. Please drop in to chat with Kōkā Amoe at the Te Pihinga office or talk with your child's teacher.

### The Wonder Project - Science Lab 2024

I have two very large boxes in my office. I do wonder what's inside them? They are sealed and will remain sealed til next term. Science Lab was a huge hit last year. This year we are going again. We will be calling for registrations in week 1 of Term 2 from Years 4-6 students, for the Wonder project - Science Lab 2024. This after school programme will run for 6 weeks in term 2 starting in week 2. Keep your eye out for the call for Registrations for The Wonder Project.

### Celebrating Writing

Over the past two weeks, we have been looking at the writing levels for every students in English - English Medium and Te Reo Māori in Puhi Kaiariki. Heres two pieces from Tautuhi Matahiki - Year 6 Whare Aroha and Ataahua Waru - Year 7 Tū Rangatira.



#### Horouta

There once were two sea-voyagers who were famous and came far far away from an island called Hawaiki. They came on a waka called Horouta to Aotearoa.

Once upon a time back in the old ancient meke days there were two TREMENDOUS and SPLENDID famous sea-voyagers, the magnificent Paoa (YEAH, WOW, YOU'RE AWESOME!) and secondly the incredible Kiwa (WOW, YOU'RE AMAZING!) But you can't forget the Horouta waka, also known as their powerful, rapid waka that they used to travel the world.

After collecting all their supplies for their extended journey everybody that was on board the waka was Paoa's sister Hinehakirangi with her long gorgeous hair and her emerald green eyes, his miniature daughter Hineakua. Kiwa's son Kahutuanui was also on board amongst some others. Horouta was a lightning speed waka and it was able to carry the kumara the whole way to Aotearoa. It was known as Hinehakirangi's mission to always look after every single kumara.

Horouta sailed from Hawaiki the whole way to Aotearoa and landed in Ohiwa whereby they sadly hit a sandbar. The hull and bow piece broke in an instant like ash and was unable to sail properly. Paoa and Kiwa discussed how they were going to fix the waka, "should we call Bob the builder? No, we should do it ourselves." After many discussions they decided that Kiwa would stay back and look after the waka while Paoa left to search for suitable timbers to fix Horouta. Meanwhile after Kiwa began to repair most of the damage, he discovered how beautiful this place actually was, so he decided to name the area.

Meanwhile Paoa had to climb over giant mountains, walk through the murky forests so he could find special suitable timbers to make repairs to the damaged Horouta waka. Finally after they reunited they retreated back to Turanganui-a-kiwa and celebrated with the union of his daughter Hineakua to Kiwa's son Kahutuanui. The descendants of these sea voyagers' ancestors still live in Turanganui-a-kiwa to this day.

By Tautuhi Matahiki

## Maia Poroaki

I tetahi ra ataahua rawa atu i noho  
tetahi rangatira ki tetahi whenua  
taurikura ko Hawaiki. I noho tenei  
rangatira ki te taha o te moana. Kei te  
wheriko ona whatu kakariki pera ki te  
pounamu. Ko Maia Poroaki tona ingoa  
kei aia he tuahine ko Hinehakitai tona  
ingoa He tino koma tona kiri me he  
kahurangi ona whatu pera ki te  
moana. Ko Uenuku tona hoa tane. He  
tino manawa nui a Hinehakitai ki  
tona tungane a Maia Poroaki. He tino  
koi ia ki te mahi mara, engari he tino  
hianga me te kaiapo ia. Kaore a  
Uenuku i rata kia Maia i pirangi a  
Uenuku ki te whakamate i a Maia. Na  
tona matakū I haere a Maia ki te kimi  
whenua hou mōna.