



Moerewa School

Kura Kōrero

March 2023

Staff 2023

Principal: Maia Cooper
Deputy Principal: Debbie Nolan

Team Leaders

Senior Teacher Taumarere	Sophie Brown
Senior Teacher Waiharakeke	Maia Cooper Term 1
Senior Teacher Otiria	Maia Cooper Term 1
Senior Teacher Tere Awatea	Margie Mathews
Senior Teacher Kopu	Dot Bolous

Teachers:	
Taumarere Whanau:	Room 3 Whaea Sophie Brown Y0-4
	Room 4 Whaea Raewyn Davis Y5-7

Otiria Whanau:	Room 5 Whaea Te Aroha Paraha Y0-4
	Room 6 Whaea Marysa Marsh Y5-7

Waiharakeke Whanau:	Room 7 Maia Cooper Y8-10
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Tere Awatea Whanau (immersion):	
Room 8	Margie Mathews Y5-7
Room 9	Whaea Anita Jones Y0-4

Kopu Whanau:	Food Technology Teacher: Whaea Dot Bolous
	Workshop Design Tech: Peter Richards
	Michele (Shell) Wilson
	Josie Thompson

Support Staff

Teacher Aides:	Myrene King	Betty Reihana	Karma Potae
	Diane Beazley	Lauren Tana	Karli Baker
	Daniel-Ryan Tipene		Fred Hape
	Jean Brown		

Office Manager: Jayne Barnett

Caretaker: Mike Scott (ACC)
Sam Brown

Ka Ora, Ka Ako | Healthy School Lunch Programme
Manager: Sara Harrington
Assistant: Nicole Tana

Resource Teacher of Maori: Huru Tipene

SWIS (Social Worker in Schools): Jim Bailey
Family Works Counsellor: Charlie Germaine



BUS PUPILS: If your child is not catching the bus please send a note with the child. You can ring the school but remember the office is not always manned.

We are all sad that Mrs Jean Palmer resigned at the beginning of this year.

Many of you will remember her from when you were at school and I guess there are a few grandparents out there who also remember her from their school days.

Jean has been here for 35 years. First as a cleaner, then teacher aide and eventually in the office.

We miss her and wish her well for the future.

PS. She hated having her photo taken hence the sketch instead. 😊

PROPERTY UPDATE

- Over the holiday period we had new carpet installed in all the classrooms. This will be followed later in the year with new wall coverings and carpet in corridors.
- A number of trees were trimmed over the holidays and unfortunately a few had to be removed completely. We had them checked last year and a number of totara were found to be rotting on the inside. These have all been removed.
- We are hoping later in the year to do some landscaping around the school which will include outdoor learning/breakout spaces so tamariki can get outside more. Eventually we plan to open up the classrooms with double doors leading straight into these outdoor learning spaces, essentially an extension to the classrooms.
- Further down the track we have started plans to establish a small pump track for bike riders. Watch this space.

Some of our pupils getting together for breakfast club in the morning. 8am to 8.30am. All tamariki welcome.



PUPILS ARRIVING TOO EARLY

. A reminder that your tamariki should not be arriving at school before 8am each day. We have had instances where there have been children here before staff arrive for the day. Please ensure your tamariki aren't leaving home too early for their own safety.

OSCAR Programme

Unfortunately, due to rising costs and falling attendance it has become uneconomical to continue with the OSCAR Programme here at Moerewa School.

We have to acknowledge our wonderful OSCAR staff over the years. They all did a great job watching over those tamariki that went there. And those amazing holiday programmes. Wow!

To Tang and Lauren, the last of a great team – Thank you, thank you, thank you.



Health Schools Lunch Programme

Our kitchen is fully up and running with Sara and Nicole providing some yummy nutritional lunches. Their ham, egg & salad sandwiches were so popular one day that the kids asked if they could have the same the next day.



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HEADS UP!
ITHE LAST DAY OF TERM,
THURSDAY 6TH APRIL WILL BE A TOD
(TEACHER ONLY DAY). THERE WILL
BE NO SCHOOL ON THIS DAY

WHANAU HUI (Parent Interviews)

Wednesday 22 March.

We will finish at the earlier time of 1pm with Whanau Hui starting at 2pm.

Interview times will be available online nearer the time.

More information later.

COVID UPDATE

We have had a few enquiries as to what to do if a family member has covid. Can your child still come to school?

Yes, they can come if they test negative and do not show any sign of symptoms. They need to be tested every morning for 5 days once there is a positive test in the household. Your child should also consider wearing a facemask. We really appreciate your letting us know if there is covid in the household so that we can be extra vigilant monitoring for symptoms as well. Thank you to those that do inform us.

Room 3 class



Friends forever Snowden and Harper



Whanau Taumarere swimming

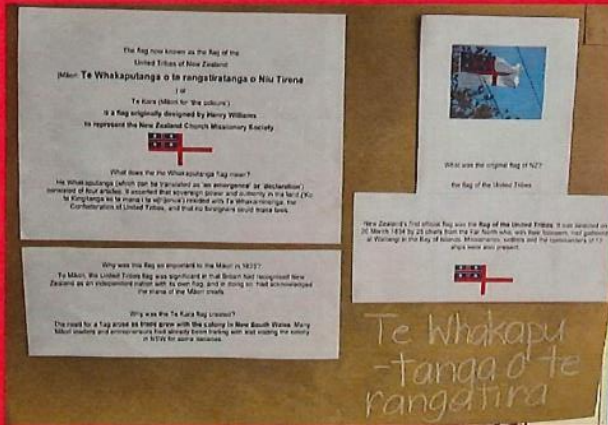


Fun on the water. Callback day January.
Teachers and pouwhirinaki taking a
waka out.



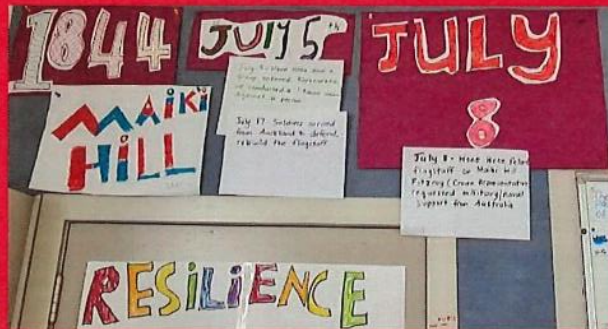


We have been learning about how
past events, experiences
and actions have
been interpreted over time.



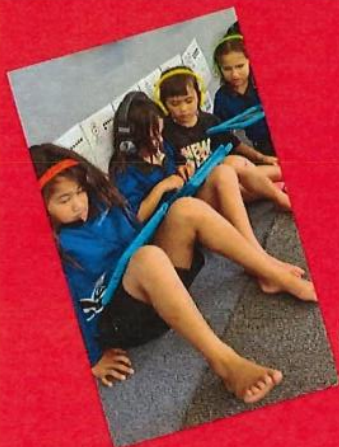
According to Ngāti Kawa
Sources, Heke was not
present when the
flagstaff was cut
down as he had
delegated the task to
a close Ngāti Kawa
relative, Te Haratua.
Whenu

Having fulfilled their mission,
Heke's Party returned to
Kaikohe. Archival



Te Whakaputanga o te Rangatiratanga
o Niu Tireni





Holiday recount writing



**UPCOMING HAERENGA
TO MAIKI HILL -
KORORAREKA**

**24TH MARCH
2023**

Thank you to those whanau who have returned their child's permission slip.

A great big mihi to the parents who have indicated they are able to come with us. A note will be sent home with your child soon.

Self-portraits



Our Phonics Heroes

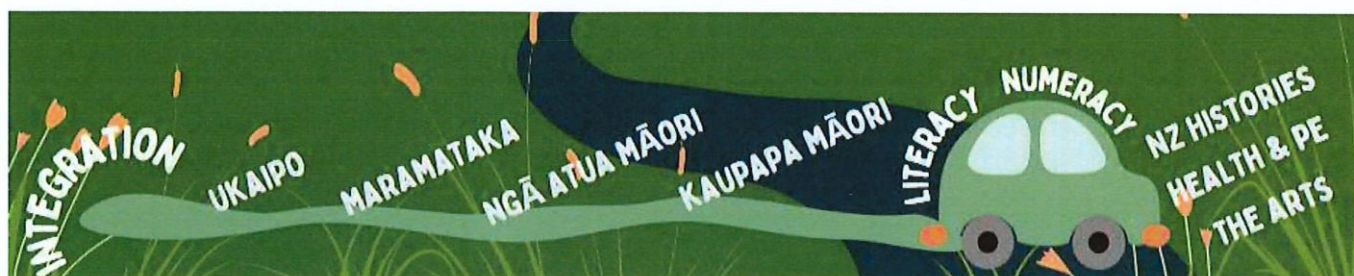


WHANAU

...WAHARA K E K E...

TERM 1

Our integrated unit of work is centered on the following non-negotiables of Ukaipo/Maramataka/Nga Atua Māori & Kaupapa Māori.



Recently Room 7 visited Te Koanga and Te Whare Runanga. They have been finding out more information about the big idea #1 People's lives have been shaped by the use and misuse of power. Students are working towards engaging with people in respectful and ethical ways in order to understand their perspectives.

Students are working towards exploring and explaining multiple perspectives that people hold about an idea and perspectives, including their own. We have chosen to use the vehicle of colonisation, sovereignty, organisation and government to gain perspective on the idea of the 'use and misuse of power' and how it has shaped our lives as tangata whenua.



AWARD WINNERS!

Well done DannaMarie and Torrance who were acknowledged at assembly last week for their efforts in excellent attendance and manaakitanga. Ngā mihi!

IN OTHER NEWS...

Our maara is thriving and we are harvesting baby potatoes and cherry tomatoes. We will also be replenishing our silverbeet beds.



YEAR 8 TECHNOLOGY!

Students are exploring raranga, visual arts and drama as part of their technology work. DannaMarie's work is beautiful! She definitely has hands for this mahi! A big mihi to Whaea Josie and Whaea Shelly!



Contacts Update

Please update your contact records below and return to the school office.

Too often it is extremely difficult, if not impossible, to get a hold of either family or emergency contacts. We really need to be able to contact a caregiver (or a designated emergency contact) when children are sick or we need to contact you for any reason. Please make sure to keep us updated with changes to phone numbers, emergency contacts, etc. Thank you.

Pupil name/s.....

Home Address:

Postal Address:

Caregiver contacts: Home..... Cellphone..... Work.....

Home..... Cellphone..... Work.....

Home..... Cellphone..... Work.....

Emergency Contacts:

Name: Relationship Phone:

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Name: Relationship Phone:

Any other information you think we should be aware of. ie. Health concerns, Food allergies, Custody arrangements, etc...

Signed: _____

Parent/Caregiver

Kia Ora