

# Welcome back!

27/09/2023 by Karen Poole

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Kia ora e te whānau

We hope this message finds you well and refreshed after the break! We are excited to welcome everyone back for Term 4, and welcome our new whānau who have recently joined the Tawhai School Community.

## Staffing for Term 4

- Sadly, Dave Whiteman will not be returning to Ruma Tahi this term – as much as he desperately wants to be here, it is in the best interests of his health to rest and recover. We are in the very fortunate position to have Room 1 covered by both Clare James (Monday, Thursday and Friday) and Chelsea Sullivan (Tuesday and Wednesday). Chelsea will be attending camp. Ngahere hub will be supported by Sharon Boese and myself.
- We welcome Anna back from her worldwide adventures. A big thanks to Hannah for taking care of Room 9a. This term Hannah will be remaining in the Horoeoka Hub supporting the learning as the numbers of New Entrants grow.

## Term 4 programmes

Our teachers have been hard at work preparing exciting and engaging lessons for Term 4. Hub leaders will have a newsletter out to you early in the term to outline learning programmes. Our main inquiry focus for this term is related to health. If you have any questions about the curriculum or would like to discuss your child's progress, please don't hesitate to reach out to their teacher

## Vandalism

We encourage our school community to use our wonderful facilities and it is great to see so

many families making the most of our school environment. Sadly, yesterday we had a significant amount of damage done by some members of the public. We believe this happened between 6pm and 7pm on Sunday evening. If you have any information that could help the police with their inquiries can you please contact the school 04 5636 329, or the police.

We know there were 4 young men on site around that time who we are keen to have a chat with.



# dates to Remember

Year 5/6 school camp – Week 1

Mihi Whakatao – TBC

Ngahere swimming – Week 2 and 3

National Shake Out – Thursday 19 October

Teacher Only Day – Friday 20 October (this day is a cluster wide professional development day)



Labour Day – Monday 23 October

Board Hui – 6pm Tuesday 31 October

Reunification Drill – Friday 10 November

Teacher Only Day – Friday 17 November ( this TOD is set by the MOE to understand and prepare for the upcoming changes to curriculum and assessment)

Leavers' Dinner – Tuesday 12 December

End of Year Assembly TBC

Last Day of the School Year – Friday 15 December 1pm

We are looking forward to a productive and successful Term 4 with your continued support and involvement. Let's work together to make this term memorable for our students!

Wishing you all a fantastic start to Term 4.