

Tawhai School News

Week 3 Term 4!



Monday 20 October 2025

Kia ora e te whānau

Last week it was wonderful to see so many of our whānau at both the Mihi Whakatau on Tuesday and the Year 4-6 Athletics Days on Thursday and Friday. Thank you for your flexibility with the change of dates – as it turned out, the weather made the postponement a very good call! A huge thank you also to Ryan McGarry for his organisation of the event.

HAPPY DIWALI DAY!

This week marks the celebration of Diwali, the Festival of Lights. We would like to wish all our whānau who are celebrating a joyful and meaningful Diwali. May your homes and hearts be filled with light, love, and happiness. We are so fortunate to have a community that embraces such rich cultural traditions – thank you for sharing your celebrations with us.

The EDGE App Update:

As in the previous newsletter, our numbers are increasing. We are monitoring the usage and can see 217 parents/caregivers accessed the newsletter in Week 1. This is great news, but we still want to see the numbers increase.

KiVa:

Last week, Sharon Boese and I had the pleasure of attending the KiVa 10 Year Conference. It was an inspiring day filled with valuable insights and celebration of the programme's success over the past decade.

For those who may not be familiar, **KiVa** is our school's bullying prevention programme. You can learn more about it on our website here: [KiVa Programme – Tawhai School](#).

If you'd like to know more about how the programme works or have any questions, please feel free to pop in and see either Sharon or myself – we would love to chat.

A friendly reminder:

A friendly reminder to all our whānau – please walk on the footpath when coming into school, not down the driveway. By doing this, you are helping us keep everyone safe and modelling the right habits for our tamariki. Thank you for your support!



School Docs

We welcome you to participate in the policy reviews for this term.

Pop on the link and follow the review instructions [School docs](#)

Username : tawhai

Password: empowering

What's coming up?

Term 4 Ahead

N.B This will be the last week the Dental Van will be onsite.

→ **Week 3 This week!**

- ◆ Thursday 23 October - Strike action - more comms to come from the board
- ◆ Friday 24 October Teacher Only Day

→ **Week 4**

- ◆ Monday 27 October **LABOUR DAY**
- ◆ **Year 5/6 Camp**, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
- ◆ **Year 0-4 Trip** - more details to come

→ **Week 5**

- ◆ **Tuesday 4 November** - School board hui 6pm

→ **Week 6**

- ◆ **Tuesday 11 November** - Cultural Festival at Harcourt park

→ **Week 7**

- ◆ **Thursday 20 November** - School Assembly , values T-Shirts

→ **Week 9**

- ◆ **Tuesday-Thursday** - Tawhai Cup

→ **Week 10**

- ◆ **Tuesday 9 December** - School board hui 6pm
- ◆ **Wednesday 10 December** - Parent Helper Morning tea

→ **Week 11**

- ◆ **Monday 15 December** - Year 6 Leavers' Dinner
- ◆ **Tuesday 16 December** - Final Assembly (Year 4/5 awards)
- ◆ **Wednesday 17 December** - **SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM**

Ngā mihi nui,

The Tawhai School Team

