

# TE KURA TUATAHI O PAPAIOEA

## CENTRAL NORMAL SCHOOL

Wahanga 3 Wiki 10

Whaia Kia Tutuki ~ Strive to your Potential

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**Kia Ora koutou, Talofa Lava, Ni Hao, Malo e lelei**

Tomorrow signals the last day of Term 3 and it will be a welcome break for our tamariki, as many of them are absolutely ngenge (tired). However, we can look back on a positive term, where our tamariki have been engaged in some fantastic learning in relation to our theme - Creativity and Communication. Through this, our tamariki have designed and made some wonderful creations, which demonstrated their process of learning.

### Staffing - Whaea Sjaan

Tomorrow is Whaea Sjaan's final day with us. Whaea Sjaan has been with us for the past twelve months and she has been a phenomenal teacher for our tamariki. Whaea Sjaan immediately developed positive relationships with our tamariki and provided an outstanding learning and teaching programme. Whaea Sjaan's

greatest interest and passion was teaching writing and through her passion, she has developed a love of writing with many of our tamariki. Whaea Sjaan leaves us to take up a teaching position at St Matthews School in Marton, which is Whaea Sjaan's home town. We wish Whaea Sjaan all the best in her new role.

### Māharahara

Recently we shared with you that our school roll has grown to over 500 tamariki. Next term, we are still expecting a sizeable number of new enrolments, particularly into Māharahara - our Kura Auraki Year 3/4 Team. Due to the current large numbers of tamariki in Māharahara, we have chosen to open a fifth Māharahara class at the beginning of Term 4. This new class will be comprised of moving some Māharahara tamariki from their existing classes into the new class, along with 6 new tamariki who will be starting with us next term. The new Māharahara class will be in Akomanga 16 and the kaiako will be Whaea Sarah T.

Again, if you have a pre-schooler who you intend to enrol with us and haven't yet told us, or you know of someone in-zone who intends coming to our school - please let us know!



*Our tamariki absolutely loved the IPU drummers when they came last week*

# End of Term 3 - TOMORROW, 3.00pm

Term 4 starts back Monday 9 October, 9.00am

## Calendar Orders

Your tamaiti have been busily creating the most amazing art pieces to be turned into stunning calendars, cards or notebooks. Here is a photo of Phoebe's beautiful art, inspired by folk artist, Heather Galler.

If you would like to purchase your child's artwork on a calendar, notebook or cards, then please complete [this link](#). All items are \$14 and all proceeds will go towards outdoor play opportunities for our tamariki.



Orders will only be taken via the online form and payment is to be made to the PTA bank account: 12-3143-0191899-00 and reference your child's surname and room number, with ART as the code. Please only submit ONE payment per form.

## Tomokanga

It's been a long time coming, but we are getting very close to having our tomokanga installed. If you're not sure what a tomokanga is, it is a Māori carved entranceway - often found outside the front of a marae or other important building.

Our tomokanga has been carved by local Rangitāne carver, Craig Kawana, who has carved a number of sculptures across the city. It is hoped that our tomokanga will be installed ready for the first day of term - fingers crossed!

## Tuakana/Teina

Tuakana/Teina is all about the relationship between an 'older person' and a 'younger person'. In our school this typically means, a relationship between our seniors and juniors.

As part of their Creativity and Communication learning, Akomanga 2 (the tuakana) designed and painted Aboriginal rocks. They then hid them across the school for Akomanga and 7 and 8 (the teina) to find!

The tuakana demonstrated exemplary leadership, by engaging in rich conversations with the teina to help them find the rocks. Once the rocks had been found, the tuakana supported the teina on the bikes. Tumeke Ako. 2, 7 and 8!

