

**Kia Ora Koutou Katoa**  
**Rāpare 4 Mahuru ~ Thursday 4 September 2025**

Only two weeks of this term remain, after this week. We still have a few events planned for the remainder of this term so busy days ahead.

**Daffodil Day:**

Thank you for your support of Daffodil Day and your generosity. We raised \$250.00 which will be passed on to the Cancer Society. The students looked great in their yellow and green combinations.



**Science Expo:**

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September we will have science work on display for our science expo. The display will be set up in Kahikatea so you are able to pop in and visit during the day or after school.

The classes have been using “The House of Science Resource Kits” to support the themes and the lessons. These kits come complete with all the materials you need to cover specific topics. They are a valuable resource which teachers enjoy making use of.

**Te Tiwai Sleep Over:**

Our Te Tiwai team, which consists of our year 0, 1 & 2 children are planning a sleep over at school on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September. The children in Manuka will go home for the night and return in the morning while the Kauri classes will sleep the night at school. We look forward to the experience and the learning that will take place. Thank you to the staff for organising this and staying the night at school.

**Totara Springs Camp in 2026:**

We have secured our booking at Totara Springs camp for Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March to Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026. This camp is for the student who will be in Year 5 & 6 next year (current year 4 & 5 students). Pop this date into your calendar for next year. Our Ngā Huiarau staff are organising a fundraiser on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September with funds assisting with camp costs. More information will come out from Whaea Sandy about this experience.

**Whakatāne Intermediate Transition:**

An Open Evening is planned for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 5.30pm to 7.00pm in the Auditorium at Whakatāne Intermediate. This is for our year 6 students and their whānau. Our Open Day at the Intermediate is planned for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September from 9.00am to 11.00am. There is a flyer within the newsletter with more details for whānau.

**Road Patrol Training for 2026:**

Whaea Roz has organised Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October for Road Patrol training for 2026. Information will come home with the Year 5 students before the end of the term. Our students take this role very seriously and their support of our students getting to and from school safely is appreciated. We look forward to training our new students for 2026. We will also be seeking the support of parents to support the road patrol students each morning. Please consider this as we plan for 2026.

**Sport Seasons:**

The term has been extremely busy with school and club sports. It is good to hear about the games the students take part in and to share in their development. Football and rugby seasons have concluded with good results for the various teams. We had three hockey teams who enjoyed their season. Our four basketball teams have also concluded their season with two of the team's placing 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Thank you to all the family members who assisted with coaching, managing and supporting the teams. Without your commitment and dedication, the students would not have these opportunities. Thank you to the staff for your organisation of teams, this is appreciated. Be sure to return your sports uniform so we have it ready for the next sports. Next term we will have touch and athletics to look forward to. Enjoy the break before the summer season gets underway.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
**TERM 3**

**Week 8:**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September:**  
Assembly: Kauri, Miss Webb  
House Groups meet

**Week 9:**

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September:**  
Bike Ready – Ngā Huiarau  
BOT Meeting 5.30pm

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September:**  
Bike Ready – Ngā Huiarau  
Science Expo

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September**  
Bike Ready – Ngā Huiarau  
Science Expo

Te Tiwai Sleep Over at school

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September:**  
Hot Dog Day Fundraiser for Ngā Huiarau

Assembly: Ngā Huiarau  
Whaea Holly

**Week 10:**

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September:**  
Ngā Peka attending Thornton School Production 12.30pm

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September:**  
Ngā Huiarau attending Thornton School Production 12.30pm

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September:**  
Assembly: Kowhai Whaea Dana

House Groups meet  
Term 3 Ends

**TERM 4**

**Week 1:**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October:**  
Hakinakina Sports Day

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October:**  
Assembly: Kauri Whaea Katy & Whaea Trusca

**Week 2:**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October:**  
Year 5 Road Patrol Training for 2026

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October:**  
EboP Touch Yr 3 - 6

### **Pitopito Korero:**

Our senior children are keen and enthusiastic when it is their turn to present our morning Pitopito Korero. The children take time each morning to review their scripts and practice their pronunciation.

The children are speaking with clarity, confidence and excellent pronunciation. It is also great to have super supportive students who step up when someone is away. Tino pai ngā Tamariki.

This week the whakataukī we are sharing is:  
**“Whaowhia te kete mātauranga”**

Fill the basket of knowledge. This whakatauki emphasises the importance of learning and acquiring knowledge throughout life.



Week 7



Week 8

### **PRIDE Certificates**

Congratulations to the students who have received a Pride Certificate for demonstrating our Pride values at school. Great work everyone. Keep up the excellent work for the rest of the year.



Pride Certificates  
Term 3 Week 5



Pride Certificates  
Term 3 Week 6



Pride Certificates  
Term 3 Week 7

### **Environment Trophy:**

Each week a trophy is awarded to a learning space for looking after their environment both inside and outside.

Thank you to all the children for modelling kaitiakitanga in our kura, we look forward to seeing you model his throughout the year.



Term 3 Week 7  
Ngā Huiaurau



Term 3 Week 6  
Manuka

**P**ositivity **R**espect **I**ntegrity **D**iligence **E**mpathy

Term Dates: 2025	HOUSE GROUP SPONSORS	
<p><b>Term Dates 2025:</b>  <b>Term 1:</b> Monday 3rd Feb. to Friday 11th April  <b>Term 2:</b> Monday 28th April to Friday 27th June  <b>Term 3:</b> Monday 14th July to Friday 19th Sept.  <b>Term 4:</b> Monday 6th Oct. to Tuesday 16th Dec.</p> <p><b>Teacher Development Days 2025:</b>  <b>TERM 1:</b> Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February  <b>TERM 3:</b> Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August</p> <p><b>2025 Statutory Holidays in term time:</b>  <b>TERM ONE:</b>  Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February – Waitangi Day</p> <p><b>TERM TWO:</b>  Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – King’s Birthday  Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Matariki</p> <p><b>TERM FOUR:</b>  Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Labour Day</p>	 <p data-bbox="783 461 1115 551">Ōhope Medical Centre <b>Tohorā</b></p>  <p data-bbox="810 779 1066 875">Holland Beckett <b>Aihe</b></p>	 <p data-bbox="1209 461 1469 551">Four Square <b>Paea</b></p>  <p data-bbox="1145 779 1485 875">Ray White Real Estate <b>Mangōpare</b></p> <p data-bbox="815 909 1485 972"><i>Thank you to our House Groups Sponsors who enable us to have house shirts for the students.</i></p>

Tentative Dates for 2026		
<b>Term 1</b>	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February to Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February – Waitangi Day Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April – Good Friday Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> April – Easter Monday (during the holiday)
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April – ANZAC Day Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June – King’s Birthday Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July – Matariki (during the holiday)
<b>Term 3</b>	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	
<b>Term 4</b>	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October – the end of year date is still to be confirmed	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> October – Labour Day
We are still awaiting information about our Teacher Development Days before we can set our end of year date.		

**Eastern Region Pool Rescue Champs for Surf Life Saving – Student Success**



Over the weekend, Jessica, Angus and Gus represented Whakatane Surf Club at the Eastern Region Surf Life Saving New Zealand pool competition.

This was the first time competing in the pool for all three, taking on a mix of obstacle, brick carry, and tube rescue events. These races challenge competitors to step outside their comfort zone, building resilience and developing new skills. It takes real courage to step up to the blocks and race against strong competition from across the Bay of Plenty and East Coast.


The results were outstanding: Gus – 2nd overall, U11 Males  
Angus – 4th overall, U11 Males  
Jessica – part of a team that claimed both a 1st and 2nd place in team event

Congratulations to Jessica, Angus, Gus, and a number of past students who also competed. They did the Whakatāne Surf Club proud, not only through their results, but also with the teamwork and positive attitude they showed in and out of the pool.


Thank you for sharing this success with us at school.

**SCHOOL FUNDRAISER**



**DUCK RACE**  
for Life Ed

Sponsored by  
  
**BEACON**

Life Education Trust EBOP is running a Duck Race to raise funds for its Health Programme for our tamariki.


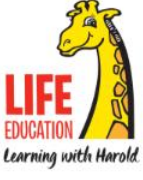
**Sunday 28 September 2025 at Port Ōhohe Wharf**  
From 12pm food trucks & fun activities for the whānau. 2pm race time!

**Ducks \$5.00 each**  
Schools receive \$2.50 for every Duck sold!

**Prizes!**  
First : \$300 • Second : \$200 • Third : \$100

**Keen?**  
If you're keen to be involved, contact  
John Spring, Life Education Trust Chairperson  
john.spring@thebeacon.co.nz

**Thank you for supporting Harold!**

This is a fundraiser for Life Education. The event is planned for Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September, at the Port Ōhohe wharf, which is during the holiday break.

We will have duck tickets for sale in the school office should you wish to purchase any.

Tickets are on sale for \$5.00 with the school receiving \$2.50 from each sale.

The event should be fun with stalls and food trucks on site.

Join the community from 12.00pm to 2.00pm and see the duck's race.

We appreciate the Life Education Trust and the resources they provide for the school and students.



## Whakatāne Intermediate School 2026 OPEN DAY & ENROLMENTS

Whakatāne Intermediate School is pleased to announce it's Open Evening/Day and Enrolment information for the 2026 school year, and invites all prospective students and whānau to attend. This will now occur in Term Three and the School Prospectus will be available from Monday 25 August.

**Open Evening for all whānau**  
**Monday 8 September, 5.30pm - 7:00pm in the Auditorium**  
Tours of the school will begin at 5.30pm, followed by a presentation

**Open Day for all schools - Monday 8 September**  
Year 6's from Apanui and Ohope Beach Schools **9am - 11am**  
Year 6's from Allandale and James Street Schools **12:30pm - 2:30pm**

*Students & whānau from all other primary schools are invited and welcome to attend the Open Evening and can choose to attend either open day session.*

### Enrolment Interviews

The school asks for all new students to attend an **enrolment interview**.

Enrolment interviews will be available after school from  
**Tuesday 9 September - Thursday 18 September & Tuesday 7 October - Thursday 9 October**  
*(9 October is the last day for out of zone enrolments)*

The school is accepting enrolments for up to 60 out of zone students - can whānau please bring a recent school report to the interview.

A ballot, if required, will be held on **Wednesday 15 October**, and whānau will be informed immediately afterwards.

Bookings can be made online at [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)  
The school event code is:

**7b95y**

or by contacting the school office 07 308 6480







