



## Te Kura Maori o Nga Tapuwae

### TERM 4 INFORMATION

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Tēnā koutou e ngā mātua,

Welcome back to our final term of 2023 and what a term it is going to be! We are extremely excited and want to ensure that you have as much information for the next few weeks at your fingertips.

#### Te Ahurea Tino Rangatiranga

As outlined at our last Whānau Hui, this is the largest ever Ahurea and has meant that we are holding the pōwhiri tomorrow morning at 10am, stage run-throughs will take place over the next few days and then competition will take place on Friday and Saturday.

Our Ahurea team is scheduled to take the stage at 3:30pm on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October. They have worked extremely hard to prepare for this competition and are aiming to be one of the three nationals qualifying groups. We ask that as many of our wider school whānau and community come along to support them and if you have school t-shirts or jackets please wear them.

We suspect that there will be long lines at the gates so suggest that you pre-purchase the \$10 Whānau passes (for up to 4 people - 2 adults max) as that entry gate will be moving a lot faster than the other cash only entry. These passes can be bought from the office before 3pm Thursday otherwise you will need to bring cash and line up in the queue with the rest of Tāmaki.

Our Mana Kuratahi team is also performing on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 1:30pm so please come along and support them as they prepare for their nationals performance in Nelson in a few weeks. We would like to thank all of those parents and whānau who have volunteered to help out on Friday and/or Saturday and if there is anyone else available please send an email to Mā Cassidy-Brown via [hcassidy@ngatapuwaeschool.nz](mailto:hcassidy@ngatapuwaeschool.nz)

We have negotiated a deal with Auckland Transport who will be running two free buses to and from Centre Park on Robertson Rd every 20 minutes on Friday and Saturday to help alleviate the parking issues on our surrounding streets. The 'park n ride' shuttles will operate between 8:30am – 4:50pm on Friday and 7:30am – 5:15pm on Saturday. It is free and hassle free so please use it and encourage all of your whānau to use this service. But remember to allow at least 1 hour at the gate just in case. We hope it won't be too long a wait but we'd rather you be prepared and have time to shop at the stalls or watch another group than arrive late and be stressed or miss out on watching our two kapa.

Lastly, we are in need of donations for our fundraising stalls. The kai we would like donated is as follows:

- ☞ Icecreams & Iceblocks (must be on a stick, wrapped, frozen & can be dropped off on Thursday afternoon or Friday morning)
- ☞ Baked goods (to be delivered on Friday or Saturday morning between 7am – 8am)
- ☞ Bacon, Steak, Eggs, Precooked sausages, Tomato sauce, Mustard, Serviettes, Onions, Bread and Rolls (to be delivered on Friday or Saturday morning between 7am – 8am but please email

[twilliams@ngatapuwae.school.nz](mailto:twilliams@ngatapuwae.school.nz) before 12pm Wednesday to confirm what you can donate so we don't over buy.

A few reminders about Ahurea:

- ☞ This is a CASH ONLY event so no Eftpos will be available.
- ☞ All non-performing students or those identified as workers will have to pay to gain entry into the event.
- ☞ The costs for entry are \$5 adults, \$2 children & \$10 for Whānau (<4 people – max 2 adults)
- ☞ The poster with the QR code for more information has been attached. Please use this to stay up to date with event specific information
- ☞ If you are able to donate any of the items above, we would be extremely appreciative.

### **School Closed this Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

As highlighted above and discussed at Whānau Hui, Ahurea is having to run over two days so we have had to suspend our timetable on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. This means that there will be no classes and students are expected to either come with you to Ahurea or complete work independently at home as all staff will be helping host the thousands attend this kaupapa.

### **Mana Kuratahi**

We would like to remind everyone that our Year 4 – 8 Kapa Haka students and staff will be departing for Nelson on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October in preparation for the pōwhiri on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> and then their nationals performance on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October. They have been practicing extremely hard and we wish them all the very best. We would also like to remind you that school will be closed on both Friday 27<sup>th</sup> and Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to allow staff and students to travel to Nelson to support our youngest kapa haka kids in their first national performance.

### **Senior Ball Postponed**

The students have been notified but this is to let all parents know that our senior ball will now take place on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November at the Sorrento in the Park, Manukau Road, Royal Oak. The doors will open at 6pm and all students must have arrived by 7pm at the latest. The ball will begin winding down at 10:45pm with all students needing to be picked up at 11pm sharp please.

### **Whānau Hui**

We would like to let you know that the October Whānau Hui has been cancelled and our final one for 2023 will be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the office on Ph: 551 6161 or via email:

[info@ngatapuwae.school.nz](mailto:info@ngatapuwae.school.nz)

Ngā manaakitanga,



Arihia Stirling  
Principal



**13th & 14th October, 2023**

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**CASH ONLY**

**NO EFTPOS**

<b>Tamariki</b>	<b>\$2</b>
<b>Mātua</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>Whānau Pass</b>	<b>\$10</b>