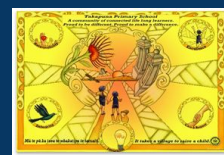


Whānau Kiwi Newsletter



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Kia ora and welcome to Term 4 2025

Welcome back to Term 4! It is hard to believe that it is the final term of the year. We hope you enjoyed the break and like us are ready for a fun term ahead. A special welcome to the new families who join us this term we hope you enjoy your time at TPS.

This term we welcome Bernice Hunt to our teaching team. Bernice will be teaching in our new entrant class in 6D.

With the weather beginning to warm up it is timely to share a few of reminders:

- In term 4 all students will swim once each week as part of our PE programme. Your teacher will communicate your child's swimming day with you.
- Kiwi lunchtime swim is on Monday's this is an extra opportunity for students to swim in the school pool.
- Hats are compulsory. If your child doesn't bring a wide-brimmed hat they will only be able to play in the shade area near the school hall at break times.
- Please name **all** clothing.
- We encourage the use of sunblock before coming to school.
- Remember to pack a drink bottle.
- Sandals are a good choice as the days get warmer.
- Please encourage your child to see one of the teachers on duty if they need any help at break times. The duty teachers wear a pink vest so they are easy to find.

Highlights this term include our Athletics Day at the Takapuna Athletics Club and our annual Beach Picnic at Takapuna Beach. We would love it if you could join us at both these events. The dates are in our Fridge List and more details will follow shortly.

Key Curriculum Areas

This term, we are looking forward to exploring drama and role play during our inquiry time.

Our **Mathematics** and **Literacy** programmes continue to focus on developing a strong foundation for students to build on as they progress through their education.

A highlight this term will be our whole school athletics day. This will take place at the Takapuna Athletics Club grounds. In the lead up to the trip we will focus our **PE** lessons on developing our track and field skills. We will need parent helpers to make this day successful. Your teacher will communicate further information shortly.

Towards the end of the term we will be making Christmas crafts.

Key Dates

Please check the school calendar regularly. Click [here](#).

Reminders

For any last minute changes to After School Care or pick ups please contact the office as teachers often do not get the opportunity to check their email during the day.

Check HERO regularly for school communications and important notices.

If you have a younger child who will be starting school this year please let the office know as soon as possible.

Ways to help your child as they learn

- Each day your child will bring home some home learning. Please check their bookbag for this and support your child to complete their work.
- Coming to school regularly and on time helps our tamariki as they settle into school life. A good time to arrive at school is between 8:30 - 8:45 am as it allows time to prepare for the day and spend some time with friends. Talking to your child about their day at school can help develop their communication skills and reinforces their new learning.
- Reading with your child, playing board games and getting them to help with general chores like the grocery shopping helps to develop communication and numeracy skills.
- We encourage you to come and chat to us if you have any concerns, questions or celebrations! We are here to help.

This is a sample of what a Kiwi class' timetable might look like.

Term 4 Timetable- 2025

	Monday - Rāhina	Tuesday - Rātū	Wednesday - Rāpa	Thursday - Rāpore Glenis Week 2, 4 (CRT), 5, 8	Friday - Rāmere
9.00 - 9.10	Karakia, Rārangī ingoa				
9.10 - 9.30	Maths	Writing	Maths	Te Ao Māori Classroom Teacher Release	Assembly Week 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10 Phonics
9.30 - 10.00	Top Up - Kai timatanga (snack)				
10.00 - 10.30	Writing	Maths	Writing	Writing	Writing
10.30 - 11.00	Morning Tea - Kai iti				
11.00 - 11.30	Phonics	Phonics	Library	Reading	Te Reo
11.30 - 12.00	Reading	Reading	Reading		
12.00 - 12.30				Kiwi Kapa Haka/Phonics	Spelling Test/ Publishing Poem
12.30 - 1.00					
1.00 - 1.50	Lunch - Wā tina				
1.50 - 2.00	Rārangī ingoa / Kia tau				
2.00 - 2.20	Handwriting	Swimming	Athletics Rotation	Handwriting	Handwriting
2.20 - 2.50	Inquiry	Handwriting	Handwriting	Writing	Strand Maths
2.50 - 3.00	Tidy up - Wā whakapoi and Karakia Te reo - Kiwi Waiata 2024 Home time - Wā kainga				
3.00 - 3.10					

Kiwi Team Overview Term 4

Term 4 2025											
	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11
Maths Strand LTP here	2D and 3D Shapes		Spatial Reasoning				Pathways				
Maths Number	Add/Sub / Place Value / Partitioning										
Inquiry LTP here	Storytelling Through Movement Learners investigate elements of drama, movement and expression to share stories.										
Mitey Integrated	Integrated through Inquiry, Reading, Writing										
Reading	HFW recognition, letter recognition, phonics skills, comprehension strategies: predicting, visualising, making connections, summarising Ready to read phonics- Better Start Colour Wheel books.										
Writing LTP here	Writing about our feelings, describing a character, the setting, retelling the story and imaginative writing.										
PE LTP here	Swimming Athletics Week 1-5 Co-operative and Social Games Week 6-11										
Arts LTP here							Christmas Craft				
Te Ao Maori LTP here	In Te Reo we are learning basic: instructions, classroom items, actions, animals, and body parts.										

School Hours/Absences

School hours are 9 - 3pm

- Learners can be at school from 8:30am.
- If your child is absent please contact the office.
- For appointments during school hours please sign your child out at the office before collecting them.
- Please let your child's teacher know if they attend Kelly Club either before or after school.