



# Forest Lake School Newsletter

Number 4: June 2021

## From the Principal

Kia ora koutou,

What a fantastic, supportive community we live in. Thank you to all those that got in behind the Forest Lake Funders (FLF) Fun Run and raised a significant amount of money. Funds are contributing to playground developments. We have also received a generous donation from YMCA towards developing a creative zone. Thank you.

**Attendance:** Every Sunday I analyse the attendance for the week. I can report that 52% of students attending Forest Lake School are meeting the Ministry of Education's expectation of 90% attendance for Term 2. A further 20% of students are sitting just below this with attendances ranging from 80- 89%. Lets see if collectively we can raise Term 2's attendance to 75%.

We are legally obliged to adhere to strict guidelines around student absenteeism and our attendance records are sent to the Ministry of Education every week. If you would like to talk to me about your child's attendance please pop into the office or catch me before or after school on the top asphalt.

**Reporting:** Currently teachers are writing school reports. These will be distributed on Friday, 2nd July as well as being uploaded onto your child's Seesaw account. In the last week of term you will have an opportunity to request a meeting with teachers to discuss matters concerning your child's education.

**Life Education Trust:** Starting 21st June we will have Life Education Trust in the school working with all teams over a two week period. This is at no cost to parents.

**Staff Movement:** Matua Tahu has resigned to take up a position at Hamilton Boys High School. Matua Hikitia has resigned to work with youth at Blue Light, his last day will be the 23rd of June. We wish both of them well in their new roles. We welcome Matua Nostalgia (Nos) who will be working across Rumaki Teina and Auraki Tuakana.

We are opening Matai 3 as a Year 1 class from the start of Term 3. We welcome Kyunghee Jeon-Johnston. Kyunghee has been a regular reliever in Matai classrooms and is familiar with many students and our school routines.

**End of the School Day:** A reminder that our school day ends at 2.45pm. I am very aware that parking around the school is not easy and it's tempting to collect children early but I ask that you refrain from this. Could you park on Mitcham Ave or Garnett Ave and have your children walk to you? I'm taking regular calls from angry neighbours because some parents are parking across driveways or on grass verges. We want to continue to have a positive relationship with our community.

**Lost Property:** This is a continual problem. The majority of polar fleeces and shoes are unnamed and if they aren't collected by the end of the term school uniform items are recycled and shoes donated. Please come and check the ever increasing pile at the school office.

Ngā mihi

Whaea Chris

## Board of Trustees

**Building Project:** Another building project remodelling Rimu 2 & 3 will commence shortly. This will provide our LSC a permanent home as well as two meeting rooms and a workroom for teacher aides.



# Rumaki Teina

Ko te wānanga reo tētahi kaupapa hōu i tēnei wāhanga tuarua mō te kura Tēina. I a Rāhina me te Rāapa ka mahi tātou i taua kaupapa. Ka wehe ngā tamariki ki roto i ngā rōpū e whā, kātahi ka ako i ngā mahi e pā ana ki te ao Māori, arā, ko ngā kēmu Māori, ko ngā āhuatanga o te wharenuī, ko ngā pao hōu, ngā tauparapara hōu me ngā karakia hōu. Ka ako hoki i ngā mahi o Hinereihia arā ko ngā tītī tōrea.



Kua puku mahi katoa ngā tamariki ki ēnei akoranga hōu, ko ngā mea mīharo hei whakakī i o rātou kete



# Auraki Teina (Junior General)

Namaste, Kia orana, Malo e lelei, Kia ora, Bula Vinaka, Talofa, Anyong, Fakalofa  
lahi atu, Bore da

Over the past week Matai 1 and Matai 2 have been learning about the life cycle of a plant. We have been exploring what plants need to grow and different ways to grow vegetables for our school garden. We used egg shells to grow some "eggheads". We cooked the eggs and ate them and used the shells as a bed for our seeds. Check them out.



Auraki Teina has started our 'Garden to Table' journey. It has been exciting preparing our gardens for planting, organising a bug palace aka compost and learning about what plants need to grow. We have Ali as our wonderful volunteer supporting us and the students in this exciting journey!



As part of our 'Garden to Table' Inquiry Unit in Matai 5 we have been looking at ways we can help look after our school environment. One sunny morning we had the privilege of assisting our amazing Matua Mark in raking up the leaves and transporting these to the compost heap. Afterwards we were lucky enough to get sleigh rides. Such great teamwork and comradery. What would we ever do without you! Aroha nui Matua Mark.

It was very exciting to hear that we had been the winners of some gardening equipment. The students are very excited to get out in the garden to use this equipment from Gardena!





# Auraki Waenga (Middle General)

KahikateaTahi have started a 'Yeti Wall' to encourage a positive growth mindset of:  
*It's not that I can't do it, it's just that I can't do it yet and may need help to get there.*

The students watched the following video and discussed what this may look like for them. Each week the class nominates two students who have been showing this positive growth mindset.

<https://ideas.classdojo.com/f/growth-mindset-3>



To celebrate **World Ocean Day 8th June**, students in phase 2 and 3 have been researching about an ocean mammal of their choice. They then had to present their findings in a report format. Below are some of the finished reports:

**Non-Chronological Report**

Title: Turtle Fun

Introduction: Turtles are reptiles and live in the water.

Sub-heading: A turtle's life facts

Sub-heading: Physical description:

Fun Fact: Turtles can live for over 100 years.

Sub-heading: What they eat:

**Non-Chronological Report**

Title: Seahorse

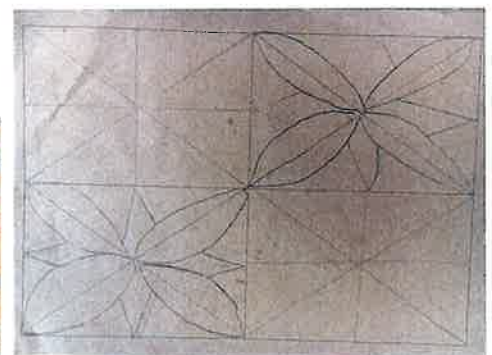
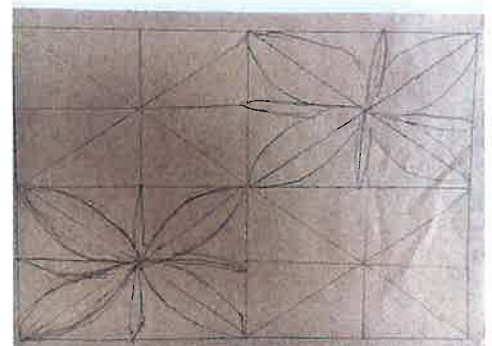
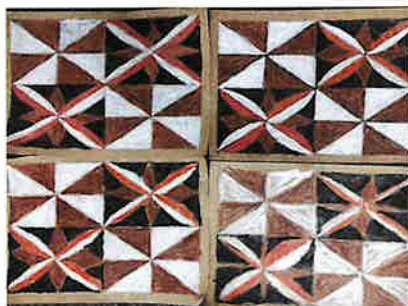
Introduction: Seahorses are fish and live in the water.

Sub-heading: Physical description: Seahorses are small and live in the water.

Sub-heading: What they eat:

Fun Fact: Seahorses are small and live in the water.

Auraki Waenga have been working on their Samoan Art pieces. Below are some examples of them working through the steps to create their own interpretation of Tapa Cloths.





# Rumaki Tuakana

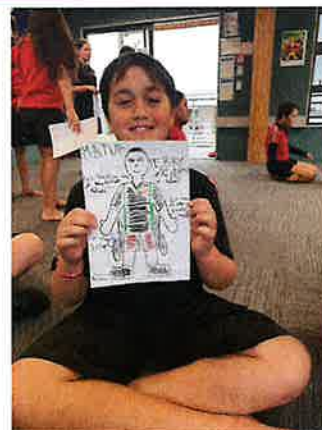
## KAUKAU HAUMARU

I ēnei wiki tata nei kua hoki te whānau Rumaki Tuakana ki te hōpuni mō ngā akoranga kaukau haumarū! Ahakoa te karawhiutanga o ngā hau me te hekenga mai o te ua o te hōtoke ka nui te hīkaka o ngā tauira ki ngā mahi!



## IHO PŪMANAWA

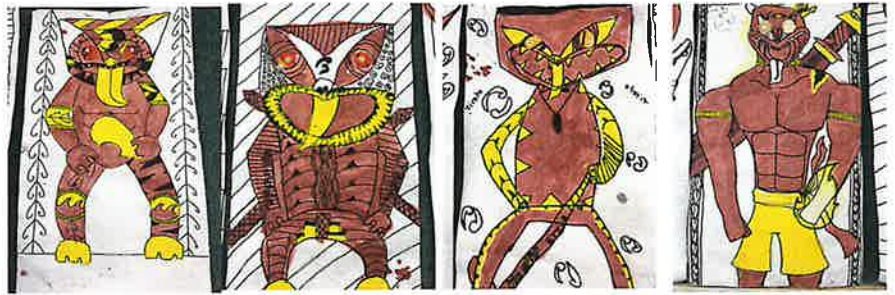
I roto i ngā akoranga Kiwican kei te aro ki ngā iho pūmanawa me ngā āhuatanga e TUMEKE e kitea ai te iho pūmanawa i roto i a rātou. Anei ētahi o ngā iho pūmanawa o ngā tauira.





# Auraki Tuakana (Senior General)

Students in Auraki Tuakana continue to surprise us with their creativity and thoughtfulness. These Pou designed here show a representation of how they see themselves. They demonstrate the four pillars of well being - Whare Tapa Wha. Wairua, Whanau, Tinana and Hinengaro. This has become part of the whole year's discovery of themselves, which started with their Pepeha.



Our school recognised 'Pink Day' a couple of weeks ago which brings to the forefront the importance of stamping out bullying in our society. At Forest Lake we are a school that promotes a no bullying attitude and works really hard at putting this into action. We realise that like any part of society it takes a community to change it and these kids really got behind it this year. They are being taught and shown to replace bullying with kindness.

We would like to thank the organisations like Taku Wairua that support our students learning and growing. This term we had a special guest Dwayne Sweeny (Waikato Rugby) come and talk about what it takes to build a strong character. We have also had the opportunity to learn about repairing broken equipment through Repair Detectives as part of our inquiry into Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.





# Extra-curricular Sports

Mīharo rawa atu ki te kite i ngā tamariki e tākaro hākoakoa ana i wā rātou hākina-kina.

It is awesome to see all the tamariki having lots of fun and enjoying the sport that they are participating in.

Good luck to the two Volleyball teams who will be playing this afternoon at The Peak in Rototuna.

Huge ups to our Players of the Day from our sports teams to date. Keep showing the EKE Values!



Tūmeke has been out and about supporting our Forest Lake First Kicks Football team.





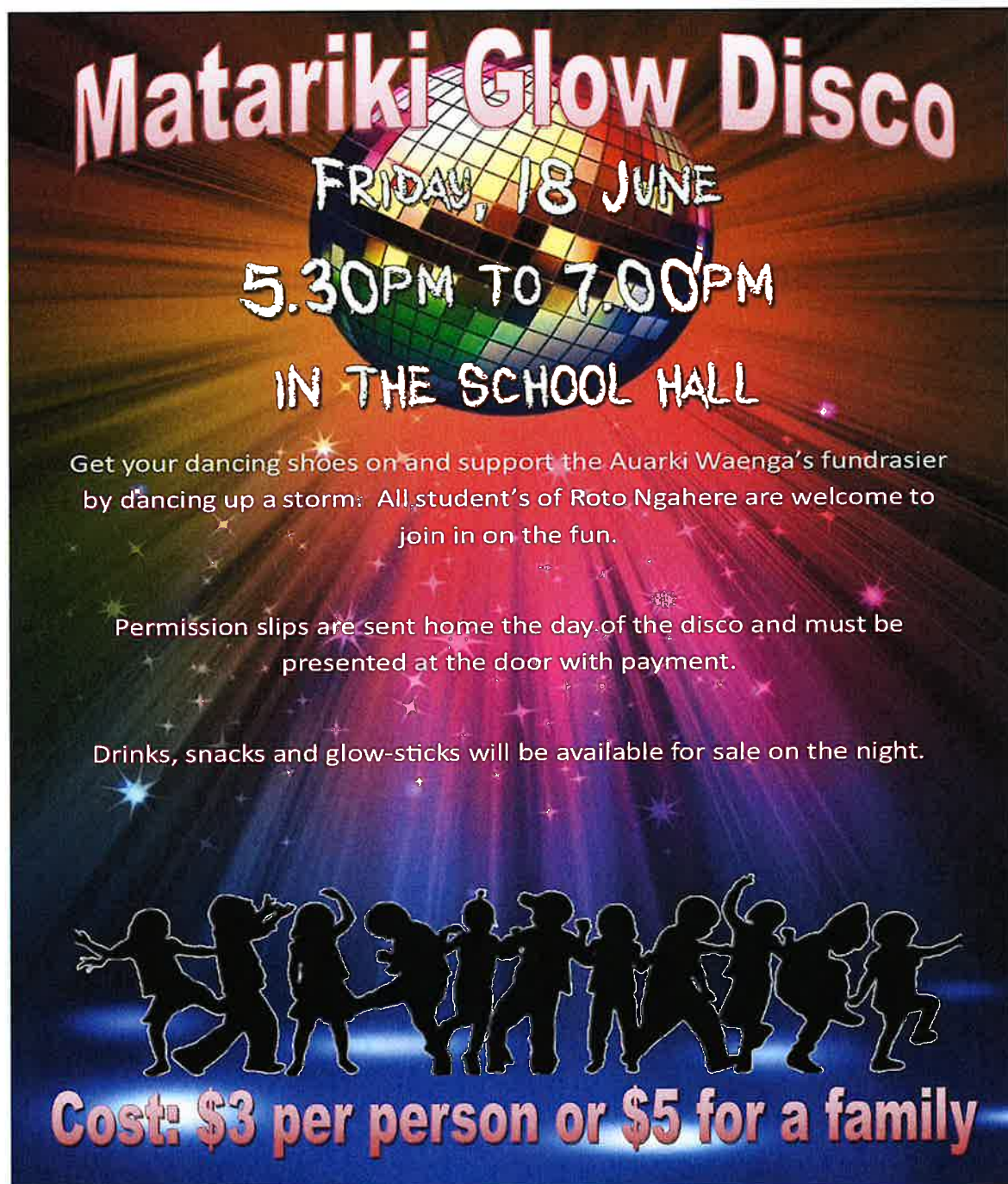
# School News

## Book Club Order

An order from Issue 3 of the book club orders was handed in to the office with no name on it. If your child ordered from issue 3 and has not yet received their order, please pop in and see Whaea Robyn in the library.

## School Disco

Don't forget to come along to our disco on Friday night. Permission slips are sent home on Friday, and must be presented at the hall door with payment upon arrival.



**Matariki Glow Disco**  
**FRIDAY, 18 JUNE**  
**5.30PM TO 7.00PM**  
**IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

Get your dancing shoes on and support the Auarki Waenga's fundrasier by dancing up a storm: All student's of Roto Ngahere are welcome to join in on the fun.

Permission slips are sent home the day of the disco and must be presented at the door with payment.

Drinks, snacks and glow-sticks will be available for sale on the night.

**Cost: \$3 per person or \$5 for a family**



# Financial Literacy

Kia ora whānau,

Our PB4L team has been working hard on a new concept at school. We want to incorporate Financial Literacy into PB4L so we are opening up a Tūmeke Shop.

How this will work? Students in class earn 'Tūmeke Vouchers' or Dojo points for showing the school EKE values. Each week the students can transfer these vouchers into 'Tūmeke Dollars'.

In week 8 the Tūmeke Shop will be open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunchtime to allow students to purchase items using their 'Tūmeke Dollars'. Items will range from \$1 and up. Students will also have a limit on how much they can spend in the shop at a time making sure there are plenty of goodies for other students. They don't need have to spend all their 'Tūmeke Money' in one go; they will be encouraged to save as well, incorporating the financial literacy aspect into the shop.

So if your child comes home from school next week with a new Pop It, Hot Rod Car, Colouring Book, Rugby Balls or other goody, please don't be alarmed as they most likely brought the item at the Tūmeke Shop. If you have any questions around the Tūmeke Shop please see Whaea Vanessa or Matua Geoff in the office.

A huge thank you to Mark from Direct Groups Uniforms (DGS) and Thomas Nabb from The Waterboy for their donations to the shop. Their support is greatly appreciated.

Check out some of the exciting goodies on offer in the shop below.

Ngā mihi





# Dates to Remember

**18 June** - Schoolwide Disco (Matariki Glow theme) 5.30pm to 7.00pm

**9 July** - Last Day of Term 2

**26 July** - First Day of term 3

**Week beginning 2 August** - Tuakana School Production week

**3 September** - Teacher Only Day—No school for students

**21 September** - Year 1-4 Rippa Rugby Tournament at Swarbrick Park, Frankton

**28 September** - Postponement date for Rippa Rugby Tournament

**1 October** - Last Day of Term 3

**18 October** - First day of Term 4

**6 December** - Teacher Only Day - No school for students

**15 December** - Last day of the school year - 1.00pm finish