

# Te Kura Māori o Porirua



Rangi: 10 Hui tanguru 2010

**Tēnā koutou,**  
This weekend is Graduation at Te Wānanga o Raukawa. We have six students who will receive their Heke Mātauranga Māori (Dip Mātauranga Māori): Karewa Arthur, Jacob Wilkins-Hodges, Tyrell Lam Sheung, Tahupotiki Taiaroa-Scott, Rikki Jay Holland and Harata Roberts. We have a further four students who will graduate with their Poutuārongo Mātauranga Māori (Degree Mātauranga Māori): Tayler Cassidy, Cassius Andrews-Sio, Te Kotuku Aperahama and Yadira Lam Sheung. Heoi rā ngā mihi nui ki ēnei hunga kua tutuki pai te whāinga ako, anō nei te pai, anō nei te ātaahua!

### **Staffing**

Although the kura is fully staffed we still presently have two teaching and two kaiawhina vacancies in the Primary School. We will be advertising these positions later this term.

### **Kura Stationery**

Stationery packs are no longer available for purchase from the Kura. Students who do not yet have their stationery are asked to purchase them as soon as possible.

### **General Information:**

**Parking** – we are asking that all vehicles do not park outside the Kura office over the yellow non-parking lines. If you are to park by the round-about please ensure there is enough room for the bus to pass you.

**Cellphones** – if students really need to bring cellphones it is important that they are handed phone into the office and collected after school. The Kura will not take responsibility for phones or other electronic devices lost or stolen.

**Lunch money** – following the increase of lunch prices we continue to ask that whānau provide the correct change to avoid large amounts of money being collected after school.

**ASB banking** – each week that your child makes a deposit into their Headstart account during Term 1 through ASB's School Banking programme, you're child will automatically be in that week's prize draw to win one of the 25 prizes of \$50 on offer. The more weeks you make a deposit, the more chances you have to win!

### **Pōtae at Kura**

Students as part of their school uniform are encouraged to wear hats while outside. Navy Blue full rim pōtae are available for purchase from shops such as Postie Plus and The Warehouse.

### **BoT Elections**

Board of Trustee elections are coming up this year e hoa mā. If you are interested in learning more about the Board please feel free to contact a member these include: Meka Whaitiri – BoT Chairperson; Vicky Morton, Conway Matthews, Herani DeMuth, Michelle Hippolite and Sarah McDonald.

### **Swimming**

Our kura tuatahi students started their swimming programme today.

A reminder that swimming is part of the Kura programme this year. Swim for Life\* Coaches will instruct groups of students once a week with teachers following up with practice sessions for two further lessons. So please take advantage of this opportunity.

### **Pou Mua Tau 6-8**

Wed and Fri (wk 2-8)	11.20 – 12noon
*Monday (from wk 5)	11am – 12noon

### **Pou Tokomanawa Tau 3-5**

Wed and Fri	10.40 – 11.20am
*Thursday	11am – 12noon

### **Pou Tuarongo Tau 1-2**

Wed and Fri	10 – 10.40am
*Thursday	10 – 11am

### **Netball**

Te Rauparaha Arena netball for a Tau 5-6 team and a Tau 7-8 team this term has started. Players who indicated their interested received a separate panui on Monday for parents to complete and return. The season will run for approximately 8 weeks. Players will be notified of next weeks games once the draw is received.

### **Flag**

Players who indicated their interested in playing flag received a panui on Monday for parents to complete and return. We have been able to make one Tau 7-8 team. Although Te Rauparaha Arena host this event all games will be played at Cannons Creek Park.

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

10 Feb  
Swimming Programme for Kura Tuatahi starts

18 Feb  
Board of Trustees Hui

25 Feb  
Whakaruruhau Hui

4 Mar  
Kai at the Kura

18 Mar – TWoR Tau 3 students

23 – 26 Mar  
National Secondary School Waka Ama

1 Apr  
Last Day of Term 1

20 Apr  
First Day of Term 2

28-30 Apr  
Pou Mua Hopuni

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## **Kai at the Kura**

As part of last night's whānau whanui the annual Kai at the Kura was discussed. This year's event will be held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March. Our kaupapa is to get as much kai donated as possible so all income is profit. As discussed last night, all funds raised will be divided evenly across the pou of the Kura for upcoming class programme related activities. If you have any ideas or are able to contribute in anyway please contact your child's whānau Pouako (head teacher) to discuss. Hangi tickets will go on sale from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> for \$9 each.