

# TE UKU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**Te Pānui o Te Kura o Te Uku 29/16**

**15 Mahuru 2016**

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Te Uku

## 2016 ANNUAL MARAE VISIT and HANGI



A big, big thank you to everyone who worked behind the scenes to make our trip to Waingaro Marae possible. We had a fabulous day despite the rain; the marae is very well set up with sheltered spaces so the learning activities were able to go ahead as planned. We really appreciated the offers of help with transport from our parents/caregivers.

Thank you Amber for doing the shopping and guiding everyone with making stuffing and preparing the food packs. Thank you to our whānau who helped with the cooking of the hangi and in the kitchen; also thank you to Discovery Four who helped with food preparation and organisation on the day.

### Whaea Catherine's Maori Games – by Matthew

Thanks to Whaea Catherine one of the games at the marae was, Hei Tama tu Tama, and Whano Whano that Whaea Catherine did with us. Basically in both of the games they are based on movement of your arms and legs. In Hei Tama tu Tama, there are 4 basic actions that you have to know in order to play the game. The aim of the game is take turns saying “Hei Tama tu Tama.” and when you say it you do any of those 4 actions. When it's your buddy's turn If they do a mirror of your action you need to say tahi and you get a point. If you don't say “tahi,” then you don't get a point. The next game is called whano whano. And it is basically the same as Hei Tama Tu Tama. except you use your legs for the 4 actions and you say “hi” if you mirror the same action.



Thursday morning, Discovery 1, 2 and 3 left school to go and visit Waingaro Marae. A powhiri was held for the three discoveries at the front of the marae hosted by Discovery 4. Earlier that day Discovery 4 had prepared a hangi for all of the Discoveries. After morning tea the teachers and Discovery 4 hosted a few activities for all the children, it was raining so we had to do all the activities under shelter. Some of the activities were maori traditions. When the activities were done it was lunch-time. The smell of hangi whiffed up our noses. Tummies rumbled with hunger. Discovery 4 gave out the delicious hangis that they had prepared earlier that day. Discovery 4 had stayed Wednesday night, and Thursday was there last stay. The three other discoveries left the Marae and headed back to school.

Written by Ahina and Caitlin

### Weaving report

One of the fun activities was weaving what you had to do was to choose 2 or 3 different coloured strips of paper. Then go under over under over. When we started the paper we thought it was easy but then when we started it got harder, harder and HARDER!!!! When you were done you would get a beautiful masterpiece. Thank you to Whaea Lisa for helping us with this activity.

### Mrs Turilli's Activity Report

Yesterday on the 15th of September Te Uku School went to Waingaro Marae. The activity I'm about to talk about is the Maui and the Sun play. First we had to listen to the story. Then we were split into two groups to copy the play and show Mrs Turilli. Lucky most of them were good. It was a really fun, but tough challenge. But we got through it. It was the most fun activity yesterday for me.  
By Reef.



At our trip to the marae, we got put in groups. We did some activities. We will tell you about Mrs Ryks' one. It was our favourite. So what we did was, we turned all these Maori words into actions. For example paki paki and that's the Maori word for clap. We also turned ten Maori actions into a cool song. We also learnt how to pronounce the words properly. Our favourite part was the dancing.

By Ollie and William

#### Marae Visit – 2016

We were learning how to pronounce different nouns like pepi (baby), hu (shoes) and car (motoka). Well done to those Year 5 and 6 students who showed great leadership by helping out some of the younger students with the tricky words.

Riley – I loved sitting down and eating our delicious hangi that was prepared for us. Sketching was really relaxing because we got to lie down and draw some awesome Maori patterns.

Toby – We had a great time playing games and learning new words in Te Reo. Colouring the tikis was a lot of fun.

Bjorn – I really liked the hangi because it was cooked underground. I liked doing paper weaving because it was new to me and was a good exercise for my brain.

#### Agricultural Day Registrations

Please ensure your registration for Agricultural Day is sent to the Office by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September.

On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September, Phil Shea and Richard Thomson will be going around the local schools to talk to the children who are entering Agricultural Day. They will provide them with advice and guidance; it would be fantastic if we could have one calf and one lamb here to help with that session. It will be starting at about 9:30AM.

Ngā mihi ki a koutou,  
Rachel Allan

#### Forthcoming Events

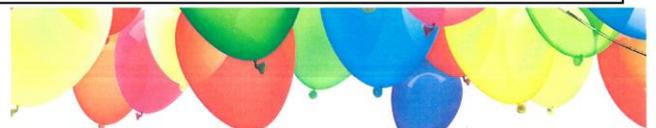
Agricultural Day Registrations are due by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September

Last day of Term 3 – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

First day of Term 4 – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October

Te Uku Agricultural Day - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October

Group Day at Te Uku School - Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October



Woohoo!  
**Disco Time!**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BLUELIGHT DISCO

FRIDAY 16 SEPT • RAGLAN AREA SCHOOL

- YEAR 0-3 (3:30PM - 4:30PM)
- YEAR 4-7 (5PM - 6:30PM)
- YEAR 8-10 (7PM - 8:30PM)



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Permission slips available at the office

#### Piano Lessons for Beginners

Piano lessons with Jacqueline Barry. Lessons are for beginners. Grade references ATCL London. If interested contact Jacqueline Barry 825 7427