

CLENDON PARK SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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TERM 1 WEEK 5

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia ora e te whānau

Regular attendance at school is essential for your child's learning, wellbeing and sense of belonging. Every day at school helps children build friendships, develop confidence and make progress in their learning.

The Ministry of Education has introduced a nationwide attendance approach for all schools in New Zealand. This is called a 5- Step Attendance Management Plan, and it helps school work in partnership with families to support strong attendance.

Below is an outline of the steps and what happens at each stage:

Step 1: Everyday Attendance (All students)

- *We monitor attendance daily.
- *Teachers encourage and support students to attend every day.
- *We communicate with families about the importance of regular attendance.

Step 2: Early Concern (Attendance drops below expected levels) more than 5 days absence in a term without explanation

- *The school will contact parents/caregivers to check in.
- *We will discuss any reason for absence and offer support if needed.
- *Our goal is to work together early to prevent ongoing absences.

Step 3: Attendance Concern (Ongoing or frequent absences) up to 10 days absence per term

- *The school will arrange a meeting with parents/caregivers.
- *An attendance plan will be developed to support improved attendance.
- *We will continue regular communication and monitoring.
- *The Attendance Officers will become involved.

Step 4: Significant Concern (Serious or persistent absence) up to 15 days absence per term

- *The school may refer the student to the Attendance Service for additional support.
- *Attendance officers work with families and the school to address barriers.
- *External agencies may be involved if appropriate to provide further support e.g. Ministry of Social Development, Oranga Tamariki.

Step 5: Chronic Absence (Very low attendance, ongoing concerns) 15+ days per term

- *Intensive support will be provided.
- *Formal interventions may occur under education legislation.
- *The focus remains on helping the student return to regular attendance and succeed.
- *Prosecution may be initiated.

Our priority is always to work positively with families to support students. We understand that sometimes there are genuine reasons for absence and we encourage you to communicate with us so we can help.

If your child is away, please notify the school as soon as possible. If you need support with attendance, please contact us - we are here to help.

Thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring your child attends school regularly and is set up for success.

BELL TIMES

8:55am	School starts
10:55-11:15	Interval
12:45-12:55	Lunch eating
12:55-1:45	Lunch playtime
3:00pm	End of day

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

Week 5	
26.02.26	Night Market- Meet the Teachers
Week 6	
06.03.26	CCSA Swimming
Week 7	
09.03.26	CCSA Touch
12.03.26	Manulua cake stall
13.03.26	Counties Swimming
Week 8	
16.03.26	MPSSA Cricket
18.03.26	Vison Team here

Class Attendance Term 1

Class	% Periods Attended
Room 03	96.91%
Room 20 Kahu	95.02%
Room 10	94.38%
Room 07	94.03%
Room 22 Kotuku	92.78%
Room 08	92.18%
Room Whai	92.15%
Room 23 Kokako	91.96%
Room 29	91.50%
Room 05	91.33%
Room 09	91.28%
Room 30	90.97%
Room 06	88.90%
Room 26 Ekarani	88.85%
Room 12	88.38%
Room Mahuri	87.14%
Room 01	86.82%
Room 21 Pukeko	86.19%
Room 19	85.73%
Room 02	84.84%
Room 18	84.82%
Room Wheke	84.54%
Room 14	84.37%
Room 16	84.21%
Room Kakano	84.17%
Room 27 Huia	84.15%
Room 24 Kiwi	83.85%
Room 25 Kereru	83.22%
Room 13	82.57%
Room 04	81.73%
Room 11	77.93%



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COMITTMENT + PRIDE = SUCCESS

TWA GO TO WHAKATĀNE

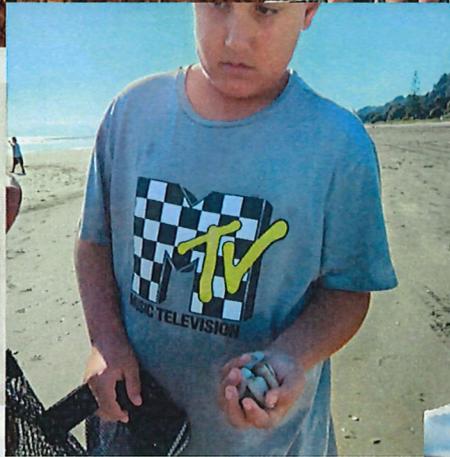
Last week, our TWA year 8s had an amazing trip to Whakatāne! It was a fun filled adventure packed with lots of learning, laughter, and new experiences. We were lucky to explore the beaches, historical sites, set SMART goals and build on leadership.



Terangiatoro and Kowhai @ Riverside Holiday Park



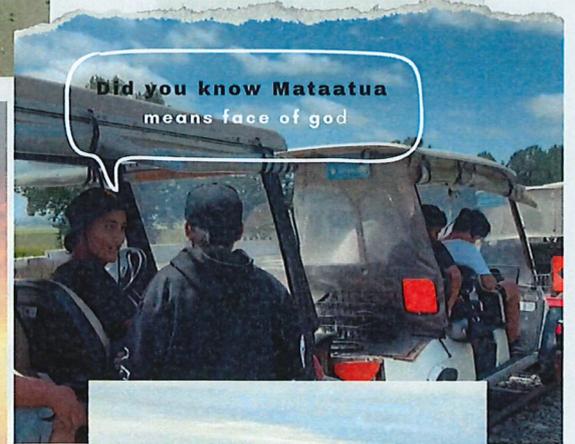
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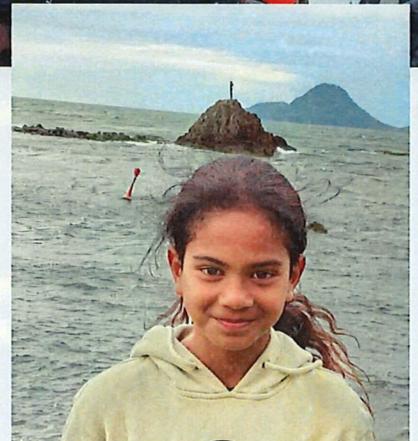
THE START OF AN ADVENTURE

I woke up in the morning, barely even awake, walking around my house in the darkness, when all of a sudden I remembered what day it was. Tuesday, obviously, but today was the day I went on my year 8 class trip haerenga to Whakatane. I quickly rushed into the bathroom and started to brush my teeth, singing while I was at it, but then I remembered that I didn't pack my suitcase, so I ran to my room and was thinking that I should pack five jumpers, three shorts, four pants, 3 T-shirts, and six pairs of socks. I was packing for a whole holiday when I was actually going for three days. I got to school and threw my bag into the van, and it nearly tumbled down. I got in the van all ready to go, but then I got the bad news, we were leaving after morning tea!! I had a few brief moments to think about what I had just heard then 6 or 7 minutes later I was fine I think. One of my highlights from Whakatane would be when we went on to the train thru the Tangaroa, Carter and I were going to die because our train was going to crash even though it was going at a speed of 3 km per hour lol.

Karlos Henare



Did you know Mataatua means face of god



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YEAR 5/6 SWIM TEAM

Our Year 5/6 swim team made waves at the MPSSA Interschool Swimming Carnival. It's not often that our school features so strongly in swimming competitions, so we were really thrilled to see such awesome results.

Even more impressive, all six of our swimmers achieved an overall Top 3 placing. This is a huge achievement and we could not be prouder of the team.

Official Results:

Mixed Medley Relay A Division	2nd Place	Tamia, Marny, Mana, Kawana
Boys Freestyle Relay B Division	1st Place	Mana, Kawana, Noah, Christopher

Individual Achievements:

Marny - Y6 Girls
25m Backstroke - 1st
25m Freestyle - 1st
50m Freestyle - 1st

Tamia - Y5 Girls
25m Freestyle - 3rd
25m Backstroke - 3rd
25m Breaststroke - 3rd

We are incredibly proud of all our swimmers for their hard work, commitment, and the way they represented our school.



CPS Twilight Market

Meet and Greet the teachers

Food Music Games

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Thursday 26th February WEEK 5
Starts at 4.30pm

MORE INFO: Text Matua 021 1613
To hold a stall, each stallholder will need to provide their own tables, chairs, and other utensils.

See you tonight

Breakfast Club

Every Day
8.15 - 8.45

in the wharekai

SUNHATS

It is now COMPULSORY for your child to wear a sunhat while outside, especially during morning tea and lunch times.

Please ensure your child brings a hat with their name on it to school everyday.



A warm welcome to our new staff member

Whaea Kay
Room 11

LOST PROPERTY IN THE HALL

Please remind your children to look after their clothing. If they misplace it, they can come to the hall to collect it.



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