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KAWERONGO- NEWSLETTER TE RIMA O PAENGA - WHĀWHĀ 5TH APRIL 2023

Kia Ora

School Closed for Professional Development Monday 24 April:

Our school will be closed for instruction Monday 24 April, as part of the Government's allowance of two days this year for all schools for staff to undertake professional development around changes to the New Zealand Curriculum.

Tuesday 25 April the school will also be closed due to ANZAC Day. Students return to school Wednesday 26 April.

Thank you to our students, their families and our staff of our Tauranga Intermediate Satellite for adapting to the class being split into two groups, one accommodated offsite in a community hall and the other group remaining in the class for the last two weeks of this term, allowing builders to install a new accessible bathroom in the rear of the building. If all goes according to plan the project will be finished before students return to school Wednesday 26 April.

Ngā mihi Kind regards

Barrie Wickens
Principal

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND DATES:

End of term 1 - Thursday April 6th

Term 2- Monday 24th April staff only day Anzac Day Tuesday 25th April

Term 2 starts 26th April

King's Birthday holiday 5th June

Studio Class

We have had a great start to this year in our class. For our teaching staff this is our first year working together, however we have all worked at our school for a number of years. This year is also new for the students to be together in their class. But we have had a lot of fun working together and getting to know each other. Swimming has been one of the top activities we have participated in this year, it's been amazing to see the smile on the students faces while they are in the pool. Tino Pai Room 5.



TAURANGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Wow, Term One is nearly over. It's hard to believe. We have had a great start to the year and we have been very busy. We had five students turn 21 last year and now they have left us to do other things like working part-time for a mechanic. Some are attending Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology, and another is attending craft classes every week.

This year five students from Pāpāmoa College moved over to our class in Greerton.

Brendon Oats, who was teaching at Pāpāmoa College moved over as well and is co-teaching with Margaret Briasco. We have the support of four teacher aides: Sian, Shane, Jess and Bex. There have been a lot of new people to meet and relationships to make for everyone. In total we have eleven students ranging in age from 17 to 20.

We do many cool things here at TC3. We explore literacy/communication skills, functional numeracy skills, SPEC Inquiry learning, cooking, art and crafts, gardening, community visits, swimming, bush walks, life skills and lots more. In the photo above our students were starting to learn actions and words to Six60's Pepeha song, with Mātua Thomas. We have more to learn and we plan to perform for it before our whānau soon.

BIG SHOUT OUT: DRC are very grateful for the kind donation of a tumbler composter to use. Thanks so much to **Andrew Williams** for this donation. We can't wait to see the results in our garden and with our fruit and veges. Ka rawe.



All our students and a caregiver are entitled to free entry to all Tauranga City Council Pools including the hot pools. To access this you need a signed form from us which you present to the pool reception staff and they will issue you a card.

If you have not got one and would like one please let your teacher or myself know and we will get a form to you

Thanks Karen Porter, Physiotherapist