



# Whangārei Heads School Newsletter

Term 2 - Week 8 - June 19, 2025

## KIA ORA E TE WHĀNAU,

What a wonderful Matariki breakfast we all enjoyed this morning.

It is mornings like today that make me so happy to be part of this amazing school community. Watching you all come together, to talk, jump in to help out and just be together is what Matariki (and our Kura) is all about.

I can't believe how fast the end of term is approaching. The teachers are now focused on having the mid year reports ready for the start of next term. We apologise for the delay, but the Production required a lot of additional time and focus - but wasn't it worth it!

There have been a lot of changes this year as we implement the new curriculum in English and Mathematics. We will be reporting for the first time using the new curriculum.

Children in Year 1-3 are working within Phase 1 of the curriculum.

Children in Year 4-6 are working within Phase 2 of the curriculum.

Children in Year 7-8 are working within Phase 3 of the curriculum.

I will put out an information sheet with the reports to help you understand the changes. If you want to find out more for your self there is a Parent Portal on the MOE site -

<https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregivers/schools-year-0-13/parent-portal>

Reports will come out at the end of Week 1 next term, and 3 Way Conferences will be the following week.

I hope you enjoy your long Matariki Weekend ahead, and have some special whanau time. Matariki is all about coming together and sharing kai, stories, love and laughter. So I wish you and your whanau Happy Matariki. Ngā mihi o Matariki, te tau hou Māori

Kelly

## Coming Events:

**Week 8 - June 16-20**

Jun 19 - Matariki Celebrations  
& **Community Library AGM**  
in Staffroom - 3.15PM

**Jun 20 - Matariki**  
**(Public Holiday)**

**Week 9 - June 23-27**

**Final Week of Term 2**

Jun 24 - Board Meeting 6PM  
June 26 - Hockey Sessions  
& Year 7&8 Ball at PB School

**School Holidays**  
**June 30 - July 13**

**Term 3 Dates**

**Mon 14 July**  
**to Fri 19 September**



**Our Place to Grow and Learn together**  
**Ko tātou kura, kia tipu, kia ako ngāhahi**



# Thank you all for coming to our Matariki Breakfast!







*join us*

## BIG BAKE SALE



**Sat 21<sup>st</sup> June - 9am**

**Bayleys 84 Walton Street**

Mr Bigs Coffee Cart

Kids Facepainting

Kids Cupcake Decorating

All proceeds go to Starship & families.

## Bird watching fun!

Help make our birds count – join the New Zealand Garden Bird Survey from 28 June - 6 July, the longest-running citizen science project nationwide. Birds act as backyard barometers - they tell a lot about the health of the environment we live in.

<https://gardenbirdssurvey.nz/garden-for-birds/>

You can find all the info and some great activities to do with the kids during school break below:

- Garden Bird survey – learn more about it and download the count tally here.

<https://gardenbirdssurvey.nz/take-part/>

- Colouring competition – unleash your creativity and be in to win cool prizes.

<https://gardenbirdssurvey.nz/children-teachers/colouring/>

- Create a bird-friendly haven – learn what it takes here.

<https://gardenbirdssurvey.nz/garden-for-birds/>

Join the citizen science fun and make a difference!



NZGardenBirds

[www.gardenbirdssurvey.nz](http://www.gardenbirdssurvey.nz)



**New Zealand**

**GARDEN BIRD  
SURVEY**

Run by Manaaki Whenua

**28 June – 6 July**

Join us  
and make  
our birds  
count!





## Do you have concerns about your child?

Te Manawa Tahī is a learning support hub where you can talk to educational professionals about your child's learning needs. This is a free service.

If you have a concern about your child's language development, learning progress, social and emotional well-being or behaviour, Te Manawa Tahī have specialists available so you can discuss your concerns directly with them..

All hubs are open from 9:00am until 12:00pm unless otherwise stated.

DATE	HUB LOCATIONS	Term 2 2025, Weeks 6 to 9
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Bream Bay Community Trust, 9 Takutai Pl, Ruakākā (10am – 12.30pm)	
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Hikurangi School, 20 George St, Hikurangi	
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> June	St John Ōtamatea Ambulance Hall, 172 Hurndall St East, Maungaturoto	
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Ministry of Education , 24 Kaka St, Morningside	
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Early Years Hub Dargaville, 28 Hokianga Rd, Dargaville	
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Ngunguru School, Te Maika Rd, Ngunguru (9 – 10.30am)	

DATE	HUB LOCATIONS	Term 3 2025, Weeks 1 to 5
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Clark Road Chapel, 4-6 Clark Road, Kamo	
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jul	Bream Bay Community Trust, 9 Takutai Pl, Ruakākā	
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Ministry of Education , 24 Kaka St, Morningside	
Thurs 31 <sup>st</sup> Jul	Onerahi Community House, 130 Onerahi Rd, Onerahi	
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Early Years Hub Dargaville, 28 Hokianga Rd, Dargaville	
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Ministry of Education , 24 Kaka St, Morningside	

**Drop into a hub** or to see a Speech Language Therapist make an appointment by phoning **0800 524 842** or emailing **TT.Support@education.govt.nz**.



**Wainui, Tui RL,  
Jack O, Arlo,  
Georgia G, Liv  
& Mikey**

