

**FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2023**

**RANUI PRIMARY SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER**

**Tālofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Talofa, Noa'ia, Ni sa bula vinaka, Mālo ni, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kia orāna, Tēnā koutou katoa**

“He oranga ngakau, He pikinga waiora”  
For the past two weeks, we have focused on 'Hauora,' or 'Healthy'. This is the second pou of our whare. At Rānui School, we care about every part of who we are. We're trying really hard to teach our tamariki to talk about how you're feeling. We have a special program called 'Mana Ora' that helps us do that. We want you to be able to express your feelings and be healthy, inside and out.

**Attendance at Rānui School**

This term our overall attendance percentage for the past 2 weeks was 81%.

There has been an increase in overall school attendance over the past two weeks. We kindly request that you continue to notify us if your child is absent. Staying informed is crucial for us to stay up-to-date and effectively monitor attendance.

If your child is away please let the office know. You can do this by...

- Replying to the school text
- Phoning the school on 833-6286
- Sending a note to school with another family member or when your child returns to school.

**Henderson Intermediate Enrolment Forms**

Keep bringing those enrolment forms in. If you need one, you can get one from the school office.

**Cyber Safety**

It's super important that you are aware of what your child is doing online !!!!

We have some incidences of online bullying outside of school time that have affected some of our students. We do teach about cyberbullying, being safe online and making good choices.

We need your help !!! Social



media apps like Tik Tok have age limits. Please do not allow your child to be on the apps and monitor them online.

The internet can be a fun place to play and learn, but it's like a big adventure, so remember to use it wisely and always be kind to others online.

**Staff Only Day**

Once again Rānui School staff have a **Staff Only Day in Term 4 on Friday 24th November.**

Please put this in your calendars and arrange care for your tamariki on this day.



**WAITAKERE  
KINDERGARTEN  
COUNTRY FAIR  
10AM-1PM 15.10.23  
HUGE WHITE ELEPHANT SALE  
WINNING WHEEL • BAKE SALE  
FIRE ENGINE RIDES • PHOTO  
BOOTH • BOUNCY CASTLE  
SILENT AUCTION • TREASURE  
HUNT • CAFE • AND MORE!**

# Digital Learning

19.09.2023

## Keeping up with...

### Goal for the day:

Manage ourselves so we can take on a role to complete a task.

## Kahū 1

### Energy

Students learnt about different types of energy and how we can use it. Then they had to follow instructions to make an origami jumping frog. We learnt how the frog starts with potential energy and gains kinetic energy when it jumps.

### LEGO

Students managed themselves to take on numerous roles to follow instructions to construct and code a moving LEGO pinball machine.



# Digital Learning

13.09.2023

## Keeping up with...

### Goal for the day:

Manage ourselves so we can take on a role to complete a task.

## Kahū 4

### Energy.

Students learnt about different types of energy and how we use it. Students followed instructions to fold an origami jumping frog. We learnt how the frog starts with potential energy (stored) and gains kinetic energy (moving) when it jumps.



### LEGO

Students took numerous roles to follow instructions to construct and code a moving LEGO junior pinball machine.



# Digital Learning

18.09.2023

## Keeping up with... Kererū 3

### Goal for the day:

Manage myself to work in a group.

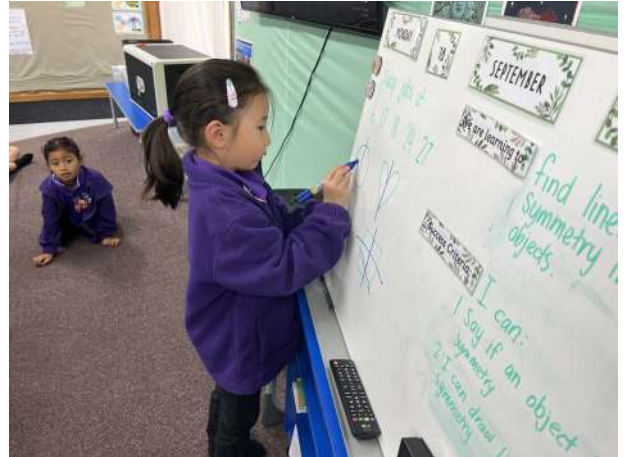


### Symmetry

Students identified lines of symmetry for different shapes. They traced different shapes and drew the lines of symmetry. They also made snowflakes with lines of symmetry.

### LEGO Spike Essentials

Students worked with Kahu tuakana to take on numerous roles to follow instructions to construct a LEGO snowmobile.



# Tūi 3– Alliteration

Alliteration

## Our GO-TO places to reset



### The Field

Friends on the field have fun breathing fresh air. *Tony Shepherd*

Funny friends feel fine fast on the field. *Junior Penaia*

Find the field fast for family fun. *William Albert*

Feeling down with a frown. Friendship, fresh air and fun on the football field. *Matiu Hawkins-Savage*



### The Green Court

I go to the green court to feel great. *Kaleido Boroevich*

### Shade

When I am sad or shy I go to the silent shade. *Enya Ielemia*



## Our GO-TO places to reset

alliterate

### The Friendship Tree

Find the friendship tree first, then your fine friends. *Jessica Maniriho*

Fresh air, friendship tree, finally calm. *Hola Fainu*

Fair flattery from friends at the friendship tree. *Ropeta Atapana Saitofiga*

5 taps on the friendship tree for feeling fresh. *Aviti Tonumaivao*

Fresh air and freedom from the friendship tree. *Ruby Henoa*



### A Tree

Tranquility time at a tree to take the emotions out of our tummy. *Anotidashe Damba*

Climb to the top of a tall tree. *Sasha Bolstad*

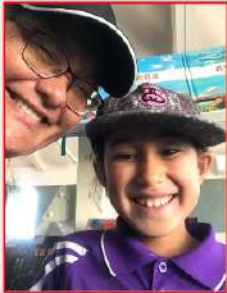
## Our GO-TO places to reset

Alliteration

### The Library

I like our lovely library with laughing kids. *Keira Wilson-Segi*

Lovely lone time in our luxurious library. *Laura Puru*



### Tūi Bench

Back to the big bench to be better. *James Tuivai*



### The Playground

Polite playing tag on the playground with pleasant people. *Aaron Hotere-Leaf*

## Similies

Similes

Ruby

red like



a tomato

Legend

sharp like



a spike

Enya

as smart as



a chromebook

Kaleido

as dark as



night

James

zoom fast



like Flash

Sasha

as blue as



the sky

Similes

Similes

<p>Aaron as slow as</p>  <p>a turtle</p>	<p>Junior angry like</p>  <p>a lion</p>	<p>Keira smells sweet</p>  <p>like a flower</p>
<p>Anotidashe as smelly as</p>  <p>a sock</p>	<p>Aviti as light as</p>  <p>paper</p>	<p>Matiu mouth is watering</p>  <p>like a waterfall</p>

Similes

Similes

<p>Jessica eyes as big</p>  <p>as an owl</p>	<p>Kassandra as green as</p>  <p>kiwifruit</p>	<p>Keandra pink like a</p>  <p>birthday dress</p>
<p>Tony as cute as</p>  <p>a kitten</p>	<p>Hola as yellow as</p>  <p>a sunflower</p>	<p>as strong as</p>  <p>a weightlifter</p>

Similes

## Pacific Mama's Trip

On the 8th of September we went to the Pacific art centre for our trip. I had a spring in my step as it felt like the sunny season was finally among us. Mr Kell led us to the train and when we got off, I had a bad feeling we were getting lost when we walked through the grass instead of the footpath. When we arrived there, we were greeted by the Pacific Mamas. We learnt all sorts of greetings. My favourite was "aloha" from Hawaii because it almost sounded like "alofa" which I knew meant "Love" in Samoan. I thought to myself what a delightful way of saying hello.

Our first activity was learning how to weave a headband using plastic that they had upcycled. I started to struggle weaving. I felt like a noob. As I got into it, it started to resemble the headband and became easier. When we finished it, we looked like a bunch of ninjas. I was proud of myself because I learnt something new.

I enjoyed weaving more than I thought I would, but drumming was next, which I was excited about. I was nervous to keep the beat. With the drums playing we learnt a beautiful Hawaiian dance as well. Next we had to separate into 2 teams to learn their parts. After we learnt the dance we battled the other team and lost, which made us feel a bit awkward.

We had such a thrilling day there, so we performed a waiata to the Pacific mamas to thank them for having us.

**By Suiti, Kahu 4**



## Pacific Arts Centre

On Friday we had a trip to the Pacific Arts Centre. The Kahu classes had a spring in their step as we walked to the train station. We arrived at Hendo and Mr Kell led the way. I had a feeling we were getting lost when we walked through an abandoned looking bridge with vibrant colours and drawings on it. But he got lucky and found the way.

When we finally arrived at the Corbans Arts Estate it was like we stepped into a jungle with plants all over the buildings. The Pacifica Mamas gave us a huge welcome and taught us how to greet others in different Pacific languages. It was amazing to be welcomed to a new place.

Our first activity was learning how to weave with plastic recycled straps. I started to struggle with the weaving, I felt like a noob. One of the Pacifica Mamas helped me and I started to adjust. We finally finished and our final product was a headband. I was so proud of myself because I overcame a challenge.

If I had thought weaving was difficult it was now time to learn a dance that I hoped would not turn into a disaster. It was so awkward learning it, I wanted the ground to swallow me at that moment. We had to shake our hips like we were swings. I started to get used to it until suddenly I heard we were going to have a dance battle. I wanted to remove myself from the whole thing, but then I heard someone say "we can do this", and I started to get more confidence. During our turn I felt like a professional dancer. When we finished I was so proud of myself, even though we lost, I had an amazing time.

I was so thankful for the Pacifica Mamas when we said our goodbyes.

We all had fun and Kāhu appreciated the things the Pacific Mamas had taught us, so we sang 2 waiata to show our thanks to them.

**By Mia, Kahu 4**





## Pacific Arts Centre

As the train arrived to take us to the Pacific Mamas, I could feel only a little happiness from inside me. The train halts, spilling out the sound "Skrrt"! I was tired, sleepy at best. After all, I had to wake up early for this trip and it was surely going to be another boring long ride. After all the morning had been a bedtime story which had been very VERY boring. And I was not stoked at all. Yet getting on the train, I still wasn't feeling much different, still tired, still exhausted and still normal. "Oh well" I said maybe when we get there I will be more happy.

After a quick walk with lots of twists and turns we ended up at the gate of the Pacific Arts Centre. Waiting very patiently we got our first introduction on how to say hello in all the pacific languages from the pacifics mamas .

I was a little bit more excited and less sleepy now and hoped the rest of the day would be great.

We were being taught how to weave, we got shown the motion to weave, "Up, down, pull. Ahh this is hard!" I thought. It was difficult and annoying but in the end, fun too! After we were finished, it looked great, I put it on and was able to become a ninja!

"Bam wack!!!!!" What was that sound? It was one of the Pacific Mama's hitting the drum. "That's the bell! Now it's eating time!" I exclaimed. I was just walking to get my lunch from my bag and thinking, "what's in store for me?" After all, kids usually bring chip bags, or homemade food, but this was different. It was a drink! E2 to be specific and you know who had it? Gabriel! That's surprising as no one, usually no one brings drinks on trips. It looked good and I wished I had it. but then..."Bam, wack again!"

Drumming time! Going into the room I feel excited as I never really drummed before. Waiting inside people were getting called up to do the drums "Bang crash!" When I got called up, my heart was drumming its own worried beat. But with courage I got to the drums and I got ready, three two one, "Bam, BANG CRASH!!!!"

After that we learnt a quick dance and had to challenge the other team called the Dragon Warriors. It was a hard challenge that we sadly lost. But to give our thanks we did a waiata. It was a good trip and I wish I could go there again one day.

**By Krish, Kāhu 4.**

## Pacific Mamas

**On Friday the 8th of September Kahu 3, half of Kahu 2 and my class went on the train to the Pacific Mamas,**

**When we arrived at our destination, they welcomed us with a warm greeting. They said the teachers first, girls next and boys last. They gave instructions to us on where to put our bags and welcomed us inside. They told us the importance of other countries and languages.**

**After that we headed to another room for weaving. One of the mama's told us a technique under-over-flick, After we were done weaving we asked a senior mama to put the rose on the headband and took a few photos.**

**The next lesson was drumming!!**

**We were excited to give it a try, there were 2 kinds of drum's, skin drum and log drum's.**

**We all had a turn to drum.**

**After having a lot of fun drumming, next was dancing. We were named the Flaming Tiger's and we were against the Dragon Warriors. Sadly we lost, but it's all about having fun and we headed back to school.**

**By Priya, Kahu 4**



### Night Market: By Fusi, Kāhu 4

A little while ago my siblings and one of my cousins and I went to get ready for the Night Market. Night Market is a place crowded with what felt like almost a thousand people. The reason why it's famous is because other people from different countries set up traditional food stands at the Night Market.

We all jumped into the vehicle excited to go, "I can't wait to get my pork buns" my Sister said excitedly."

"Why isn't our cousin Lome coming?" My brother suddenly mentioned.

"He's coming in his car," I replied. As we arrived I saw thousands of people. I could hear people chattering, people eating and drinking, but the thing I heard that was the loudest was a guy singing with a mic and a guitar. His singing was so stunning, it was truly pure magical music to our ears.

As our cousin arrived we went around food stands and drink stands and my siblings and my cousin ordered their food and drinks. My older sister was so kind and told me to order some food and said she would pay. I thanked her and got dumplings and a soda. We found a spot to eat and drink. We were sitting next to the guy that was singing. We were all enjoying the singing and after a few minutes of eating, we decided it was time to get dessert. I got a chocolate stick in vanilla ice cream with chocolate syrup in a bowl with cones. It was so huge and it was very delicious. When the ice cream melted in my mouth it felt like heaven, with the chocolate making it even better.

We all were so full and we decided to head back home. Before we headed home I said to the singer that "I loved his singing" and I begged my sister to put money in his guitar case. He thanked me and we went back to the car with our full stomachs, burping our way home after a wonderful time at the night market.



### Drop-in Immunisations

#### Ranui School

**TUESDAY 3RD & WEDNESDAY**

**4TH OF OCTOBER 2023**

**9.00 AM—2.30 PM**

- Are you or your whanau due any NZ schedule vaccinations?
- Not sure - come see the Public Health Nurses to check your records and have a korero.
- Infant, child, teenage & flu vaccines available.
- Free.



Ranui Primary School Hall

16A Ranui Station Road, Ranui.

**Te Whatu Ora**  
Health New Zealand

DATE	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
22 September	Last day of Term 3	3pm	Rānui School
24 September	Daylight Savings Starts		
9 October	School starts Term 4	8.55am	Rānui School
19 October	Big Shake out	9.30am	Country wide
25 October	Athletics Day	9-3pm	Rānui School
25-26 October	Rānui School Art Exhibition	9-3pm	Rānui School