

Thorndon School Te Kura o Pipitea

An inclusive community that fosters resilient, collaborative learners and creators.

January 31 2022. Newsletter 1.

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Te Kura o Pipitea,
Greetings to our Thorndon School families,

Nau mai hoki mai ki te tau hou. Welcome back to our new year here at Thorndon School. Today was a real privilege as we welcomed our new students and whānau, as well as Mathew O'Hagan - new team leader for Kererū - to Te Kura o Pipitea. Our beautiful mokopuna (students) in Tūi stood as strong ambassadors singing the waiata tautoko. Chad Kakau - a parent and Board of Trustee representative - spoke on behalf of our manuhiri (guests/new families), and Hela and Julie prepared our kai (food). Team work makes the dream work. He waka eke noa.

On this very first day of 2022, it is important to acknowledge Matua Alistair du Chatenier and his absolute dedication to our kura. I am humbled to have this taonga (treasure) now in my care and I look forward to working with you as we collaboratively uplift and celebrate the uniqueness of each mokopuna (student).

Please take the time to read below key information for Term 1 2022 at Te Kura o Pipitea.

Ngā manaakitanga
Aroha Hohepa
Tumuaki
Te Kura o Pipitea
Thorndon School



New beginnings. We welcome our new students, whānau and kaiako to Te Kura o Pipitea.

What does TASC look like at Red Level?

OSCAR providers must maintain their own groupings of up to 20 children. Where there are multiple groupings, the groups must maintain 1 metre distancing from each other indoors. This means:

1. With our current staff capacity, under Red Level, we are restricted to 60 students maximum each day.
2. Preference will be given to students who have fixed regular days.
3. Casual attendance may not be available if all 60 spaces are filled with fixed regular attending students. Please provide at least 48 hours notice, so we have time to confirm either way.
4. Please contact Dani by Thursday 3 February to secure your place. tasc@thorndonprimary.school.nz

What does kura look like at Red Level?

Masks:

- Face coverings must be worn when indoors by ākonga receiving education in Years 4 and above and any staff member working to provide, or support the provision of, that education.
- For all students aged 12 and upwards face coverings are mandatory on school transport, and when accessing public venues.

H2O / Water:

- Our drinking fountains will be closed.
- All students will need to bring their own water bottles - please have these named.

Drop Off / Pick Up:

- Year 5 - 8, please drop off your child(ren) at the gate.
- Year 1 - 4, you can drop off your child at the class door. Kaiako (teachers) can welcome your child at the door.
- Parents please:
 - wear a mask
 - sign in at the door
 - Scan the Covid Tracer App

Pōwhiri & Assemblies

We will not be able to hold whole school assemblies at RED level in the hall.

Pōwhiri will be scaled down to allow one-meter separation. There will not be any hōngi or harirū.

Camps

These have been postponed until Term 4



Te Kura o Pipitea Calendar: Term 1 2022

1 Feb	First day of school
8 Feb	Music Classes begin
9 Feb	Meet the team - online hui 5.30 pm - 6.00 pm: Tūi and Kākāpō 6.00 pm - 6.30 pm: Kererū and Kea 6.30 pm - 7.00 pm: Meet the Principal and Deputy Principal
10 Feb	Kererū swimming starts
11 Feb	Kea Technology begins
11 Feb	Tūi swimming starts
15 Feb	Meet your teacher online hui 3.30 pm - 8.00 pm Tūi, Kererū, Kākāpō, Kea
14 April	Last day of Term

9 February 2022: Meet the team - Online Hui

Usually we would have a BBQ and team hui (meeting) at kura. Due to Red Level, these are now online via a zoom link. Here are the links for the "Meet the team - online hui" on 9 February 2022. The purpose of these hui are to introduce our teams, understand expectations and to explain what learning looks like this term. **Click the link below and it will take you directly to the online hui at the times specified.**

Tūi 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94382396055?pwd=U0xDS0l3Z1ZLbndpV0lsOFNlJQnNoQT09>

Meeting ID: 943 8239 6055

Passcode: U1X6Wy

Kākāpō 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73696479347?pwd=roIR0Or9meHQxzwYgVI658GAJzeO8i.1>

Meeting ID: 736 9647 9347

Passcode: MTD3dn

Kea 6.00 pm - 6:30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/98684422885?pwd=eEpZMTMzZHlpa2xKcG51TVhWRW5lZz09>

Meeting ID: 986 8442 2885

Passcode: aZdb49

Kererū 6.00 pm - 6:30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/98693985654?pwd=N1NEbjhFeEkxZkRuWkYvT3BtRnp5UT09>

Meeting ID: 986 9398 5654

Passcode: m0zY2Q

Principal & Deputy Principal 6.30 pm - 7.00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94169309829?pwd=S2xFSll4M0xUNEtZZGJuVW93TnNGdz09>

Meeting ID: 941 6930 9829

Passcode: hxQ9x7

15 February 2022: Meet your teacher - Online Hui

The purpose of this hui is to meet 1-1 with your child's kaiako. It is a time for you to share any information about your child so that we can help with a more holistic approach to supporting your child and their learning journey.

Meetings are 10 mins long.

You can book your meeting through School Interviews online. Please click the link below to book your 1-1 appointment. Then type in the school code to access Thorndon School. This link will be live from Monday 7 February 2022.

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/> The school code is t9q3x

If you need any support, please contact your Team Leader directly.

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