

Turaki School

2025

TE KAKANO 2025 Classes and Staff

Piwakawaka (Year 1)	Waea Chelsea, Waea Sarcha
Tiwakawaka (Year 1)	Waea Tracey, Waea Psalms
Tui (Year 2)	Mr and Mrs Mills
Korimako (Year 3)	Waea Courtnee, Waea Karen
Release Teachers	Mrs Leatuafi and Mrs Powers
Structured Literacy Support	Miss Rose

Poipoiā Te Kakano kia Puawai

TE PIHINGA 2025 Classes and Staff

Whio (Year 4) Mrs Wind, Mrs Lundquist
Kiwi (Year 5/6) Mrs Hape, Miss Austin
Kea (Year 5/6) Waea Tanira, Waea Jessica

Ko te piko o the mahuri, ko tera te tupu o te rapan

TE MAHURI 2025 Classes and Staff

Karearea (Year 7/8) Miss Arahanga, Matua Bert
Kereru (Year 7/8) Miss Turner, Mrs Kereopa, Waea Hutia

Whaia te matauranga hei oranga ma koutou

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back to the 2025 school year. We are very excited about teaching your child/children this year.

We believe that by all of us working together we can make this a very successful year, and we consider it of prime importance that you be an active part of your child's education.

You are invited to phone, email or visit the school any time that you have a question concerning your child's progress.

If you have expertise in a specific field, an unusual hobby, or have a different culture that you would like to share, please let us know. We would be happy to meet with you about the possibility of you sharing with our team. We have passion groups on a Thursday afternoon and we are always looking for new and exciting opportunities to offer to our students.

We consider it a great privilege and responsibility to be your child's teacher this year, and look forward to working with each of you.

TE KAKANO - YEAR 1-3

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Turaki School Map



Rich Learning Topics

Our Inquiry topics for **Year 1**:

- Term 1** - Local Rivers and Waterways / Early Settlers of NZ
- Term 2** - Insects / Sun, Moon and Stars
- Term 3** - Mixing and stirring / Novel Study
- Term 4** - Ancient Civilisations / Kings and Queens / Kingiitanga

Our Inquiry topics for **Year 2**:

- Term 1** - Major Waterways of Aotearoa / Geography of New Zealand
- Term 2** - Birds of Aotearoa / The Solar System
- Term 3** - Measurement in the Kitchen / Charlotte's Web
- Term 4** - Wonders of the World / Medieval Times

Our Inquiry topics for **Year 3** :

- Term 1** - World Rivers and Oceans / Geography of the World's Continents
- Term 2** - Invasive Species / Astronomy
- Term 3** - Chemistry in the Kitchen / Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe
- Term 4** - Archeology / Ancient Civilisations

Our Inquiry topics for **Year 4**:

- Term 1** - Viking Boy Novel Study / Vikings
- Term 2** - The Iron Woman Novel Study / Sun, Moon and Stars
- Term 3** - Mixing and stirring
- Term 4** - Ancient Civilisations / Kings and Queens / Kingiitanga

Our Inquiry topics for **Year 5/6**:

- Term 1** - Velveteen Rabbit Novel Study/ Astronomy: Space Systems Science
- Term 2** - Holes Novel Study / Human Respiration & Circulation
- Term 3** - Wild Robot Novel / Navigation
- Term 4** - Wonders of the World / The Middle Ages

Our Inquiry topics for **Year 7/8**:

- Term 1** - Wonder Novel Study / Poetry
- Term 2** - Whale Rider (Film Study) / Human Body Systems
- Term 3** - Media Literacy / World Deserts
- Term 4** - The Journey (Tangiwai Disaster) / Cicada Sophisticated Picture Book

Priority Learners

If your child is a priority learner this year in Reading, Writing and Maths, teachers will be making contact with parents in early term 1 and will also be working hard with your child in this/these areas to ensure that they make accelerated progress this year. Accelerated progress is making 1 year progress in their target area. Your child may have extra work to complete at home in their target area. Please work with your child to complete the tasks.

Homework

Homework is not compulsory.

Te Kakano tamariki - will be sent home with UFLi homework twice weekly which relates to their literacy learning in class. Please let your child's teacher know if you would not like your child to have homework.

Te Pihinga and Te Mahuri tamariki - Please let your child's teacher know if you would like your child to have homework. Homework will be available every fortnight (on Tuesday). Homework is due on the Friday before the new homework is given, giving the students a week and a half to complete their homework.

If students fail to complete their in-class work the expectation is that they will complete it at home.

Seesaw Learning Journal, Reporting and Whanau Interviews

All students at Turaki Primary School have a Seesaw Journal. Your child will be using their own Seesaw journal to show their thinking, explain their work, share their ideas, answer questions and to watch their own progress throughout the year.

Seesaw is used as the prime platform to keep whanau informed of their child's learning. This will provide whanau with 'real time' reporting which will enable you to keep up-to-date with your child's learning throughout the year. Reporting posts across all curriculum areas are posted to Seesaw throughout the year.

General comment and curriculum level reporting are posted to student Seesaw journals twice a year, generally at the end of Term 2 and 4.

We promote parents and caregivers having regular contact with our teachers to touch base and just see how things are going. We have an open door policy which promotes sharing of information.

In the next few weeks, we will work through setting up your child's seesaw journal with them. You will be sent an invite to join your child's Seesaw journal. Seesaw is a great tool for you to see, hear and collaborate with your child through their learning. Having our whanau involved in their child's learning is an awesome tool and we look forward to working with you and your child to make 2025 an awesome year.

Whanau Initiated interviews

As well as Real-Time reporting happening throughout the whole school year, your child's teacher will make contact with you each term to set a time to meet with you about your child's learning.

Our whanau interviews are an opportunity for parents and teachers to discuss the student's progress and any learning issues/next steps.

Informal interviews/conversations

Whanau are welcome to arrange another time with the class teacher to discuss their child's progress at school. The school may contact parents/caregivers if a student is identified as needing additional support, not achieving or if there are behavioral issues that need addressing.

Term 1 Swimming

Te Kakano students will have at least 4 swimming sessions per week. Swimming sessions will be held in the school pool. Please ensure your child brings their swimming togs and a towel.

Te Pihinga and Te Mahuri students - please see the swimming timetable included in this booklet. These sessions will be held at the Town Pool.

If your child is NOT swimming, please send a note stating how long they will not be swimming for. If a student does not bring a note on the second time of not swimming, parents will be contacted and a consequence may be given to your child. Swimming is a part of the PE & Health curriculum. It is important that students fully participate in all curriculum areas.

Ki Waho - Te Kakano (Year 1-3) Students ONLY

During the school year all Te Kakano students will attend our outdoor classroom located in Manunui. Your child will have the opportunity to learn, play and explore in a forest and farm environment.

Please send your child to school with a change of clothes and a booster seat. Food will be provided. Please ensure that you fill in and return the permission slip before your child's first trip to Ki Waho.

Week	Date	Class
Week 2	12 February 2025	Tiwakawaka Piwakawaka
Week 3	19 February 2025	Korimako
Week 4	26 February 2025	Korimako
Week 5	5 March 2025	Tiwakawaka and Piwakawaka
Week 6	12 March 2025	Tui
Week 7	19 March 2025	Tui
Week 8	26 March 2025	Tui
Week 9	2 April 2025	Tiwakawaka and Piwakawaka
Week 10	9 April 2025	Korimako

Technology - Year 5-8 students ONLY

Year 5-8 students will have Technology classes at school. These classes are run by our classroom teachers and will include a range of learning including Food Technology, Digital Technology, Extension Art, Music, Hard Materials, Soft Materials, STEM learning.

The cost for technology is \$60 for the year, or \$15 per term. Please make this payment to the school office, or via online banking.

All Year 5-8 students will be involved in this learning.

Camp

Year 7/8 students - Camp Raglan, from Monday 10 February to Wed 12 February.

Year 5/6 students - Totara Springs camp from Wed 26 March to Friday 28 March.

Year 4 students - overnight camp at Blue Mountain Lodge on Thursday 3 April.

More information about these camps will be sent out.

Medical needs at school

If your child has medical needs or specific preferences and is enrolled at Turaki School, please inform us about these requirements. If your child needs medication to be administered during school hours, please visit our office administrators. There, you will be provided with the necessary forms to grant permission for the administration of medication. When bringing in shared kai for special celebrations please check with your child's teacher at least 2 or 3 days prior as we do host a number of students who have allergies and/or medical needs.

AROHA - The Turaki Way

Turaki School follow our AROHA values of

Attitude Respect Ownership Honesty Achievement

Some reminders for the beginning of the year:

- All students must wear their Turaki School hat when outside during Term 1 and Term 4. Please leave all other hats at home (*Ownership*).
- iPads, laptops and chromebooks are used at school for learning and all students must follow our Turaki School Digital Device Agreement (*Honesty, Respect, Ownership*).
- Cell phones are not to be brought to school at anytime. If they are found at school they will be held at school for parents to collect. (*Honesty, Ownership*).
- Please ensure all non-uniform items are left at home. A signed note from home must be given if a student is out of school uniform (*Ownership, Respect, Attitude*).

Our Turaki School Behaviour Management Plan is attached. Please note that there are some things that are not always on our 'list' and some incidents have to be discussed with our Senior Leadership Team before a consequence is given.

TURAKI SCHOOL BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE 2025

MINOR BEHAVIOURS

Physical Contact

Examples: Pushing in line, pushing to get through a door, little kick/hit.

Inappropriate Talk

Examples: Name Calling, Swearing (Out of frustration, slip of the tongue) calling other students names, threatening, sticky beak.

Minor Property Misuse

Examples: Scratching of desks, writing on desks, breaking of small property items, technology.

Disruption to class

Examples: Calling out, silliness in class, being rude, talking to peers.

Disrespecting others

Being rude, answering back

Lateness

Example: Arriving back in class late.

Defiance

Examples: Refusing to do something/work, doing something they have been told not to.

Out of Bounds

Examples: Leaving the school grounds during the school day, on stopbank, being in another class or in class when not allowed.

Provoking Others

Mini Chat

3 reminders given to student/s of acceptable behaviour prior to giving a mini chat - e.g. close proximity, verbal, non-verbal/signal, ignore/attend/praise, re-direct, provide choice, conference with student

After 3 reminders (about the same behaviour), students will receive a mini chat.

If there needs to be a consequence, the mini chat can be done in the student's time.

Record each mini chat in the PBIS SWIS App (*Referral Type: Minor*).

MAJOR BEHAVIOURS

Verbal Abuse

Truant

Inappropriate display of affection

Inappropriate sexualised behaviour

Combustibles

Fighting

Physical Aggression/Threatening

Smoking/Drugs/Alcohol

Total non-compliance

Transport misbehaviour

Harrassment/Bullying

Racism/Sexism

Theft

Property damage/vandalism

Electronic misconduct

Repeated Minor Behaviour

Time Out

Students will go to **Time Out** if any of these **major behaviours** occur or any behaviour deemed to be unacceptable at Turaki School.

Time out form to be completed by the referring teacher in the PBIS SWIS App (*Referral Type: Major*).

Time out to be done with the Principal or SLT team.
Students call parents/caregivers to inform them of their behaviour.
Discuss the behaviour with the student.

Student to complete a restorative/reflection activity e.g. "I" statement reflection, an apology letter

Time Out form to be sent home with the student, to be returned the following day with Parent's comments/signature.

CRISIS

Weapon use/serious threat

Stranger with a weapon

Riot

Drugs/alcohol

Off-site

Suicidal intention

Assault

At **crisis stage** send the **Red Card** to the office

OR

Let SLT know straight away.

SLT to contact necessary outside agency and to deal with the student.

TURAKI SCHOOL

TAUMARUNUI TOWN SWIMMING POOL TIMES

(Term 1, 2025)

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	3-Feb	4-Feb	5 Feb	6-Feb	7-Feb
10:30 - 11:30				Waitangi Day Observed	
11:30 - 12:30					
12.30 - 1.30	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School		
1:45 - 2:45	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School		
Week 2	10-Feb	11-Feb	12-Feb	13-Feb	14-Feb
10:30 - 11:30					Whanau Pool Splash 6-8pm
11:30 - 12:30	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	
12.30 - 1.30				Turaki School	
1:45 - 2:45					
Week 3	17-Feb	18-Feb	19-Feb	20-Feb	21-Feb
10:30 - 11:30					
11:30 - 12:30	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School
12.30 - 1.30	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School
1:45 - 2:45					
Week 4	24-Feb	25-Feb	26-Feb	27-Feb	28-Feb
10:30 - 11:30					
11:30 - 12:30					
12.30 - 1.30	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School
1:45 - 2:45	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School
Week 5	3-Mar	4-Mar	5-Mar	6-Mar	7-Mar
10:30 - 11:30					TURAKI SWIMMING SPORTS 9am - 3pm
11:30 - 12:30					
12.30 - 1.30	Turaki School				
1:45 - 2:45	Turaki School				
Week 6	10-Mar	11-Mar	12-Mar	13-Mar	14-Mar
9:15 - 10:30					
10:30 - 11:30					
11:30 - 12:30					
12.30 - 1.30					
1:45 - 2:45	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	Turaki School	

	Te Mahuri
	Te Pihinga & Room Whio
	Other

Turaki School Term 1, 2025 Important Dates for Whanau

Please note: this is the basic outline for Term 2, further dates may be added/changed over the year.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
Week 1	3 February Beginning of Year Powhiri – 9am	4 February	5 February	6 February NO SCHOOL Waitangi Day	7 February Staff Only Day NO SCHOOL	
Week 2	10 February Yr 7/8 Camp Raglan	11 February Yr 7/8 Camp Raglan	12 February Yr 7/8 Camp Raglan Ki Waho – Piwakawaka & Tiwakawaka	13 February Duffy Theatre 1.30pm	14 February School Assembly Whanau Splash at the town pool 6pm to 8pm	15 February Fundraiser Bake Sale at Rodeo
Week 3	17 February	18 February	19 February Ki Waho– Korimako	20 February	21 February Mini Meez basketball	
Week 4	24 February BOT Meeting	25 February	26 February Ki Waho – Korimako Hockey starts	27 February	28 February ECE/Yr 1 Mini Olympics School Assembly Mini Meez basketball	
Week 5	3 March	4 March	5 March Ki Waho– Piwakawaka Tiwakawaka Hockey	6 March	7 March Turaki School Swimming Sports Mini Meez basketball	
Week 6	10 March Seesaw Week	11 March Seesaw Week	12 March Ki Waho – Tui Seesaw Week Hockey	13 March Seesaw Week	14 March Interschool Swimming School Assembly Mini Meez basketball Seesaw Week	
Week 7	17 March	18 March	19 March Ki Waho – Tui Hockey	20 March	21 March Mini Meez basketball	
Week 8	24 March	25 March FORMAL Assembly	26 March Yr 5/6 Camp Ki Waho – Tui Hockey	27 March Yr 5/6 Camp	28 March Yr 5/6 Camp School Assembly Mini Meez basketball	
Week 9	31 March BOT Meeting	1 April	2 April Ki Waho– Piwakawaka Tiwakawaka Hockey	3 April Yr 4 Camp	4 April Yr 4 Camp Interschool Touch Mini Meez basketball	5 April Netball Grading Day
Week 10	7 April	8 April	9 April Ki Waho – Korimako Hockey	10 April	11 April School Assembly	

Turaki School Term 2, 2025 Important Dates for Whanau

Please note: this is the basic outline for Term 2, further dates may be added/changed over the year.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
Week 1	28 April Powhiri 9am	29 April	30 April Ki Waho Future Ferns Netball Hockey	1 May Netball	2 May	
Week 2	5 May	6 May	7 May Ki Waho Future Ferns Netball Hockey	8 May Special Ladies Day Netball	9 May Tech Challenge School Assembly	
Week 3	12 May Zero Waste	13 May Zero Waste	14 May Zero Waste Ki Waho Future Ferns Netball Hockey	15 May Zero Waste Netball	16 May Zero Waste Year 1-4 Ripa Rugby	
Week 4	19 May	20 May	21 May Ki Waho Future Ferns Netball Hockey	22 May Netball	23 May Orienteering Year 5-8 School Assembly	
Week 5	26 May BOT Meeting 5.10pm	27 May	28 May Ki Waho Future Ferns Netball Hockey	29 May Netball	30 May	
Week 6	2 June NO SCHOOL King's Birthday	3 June Seesaw Week	4 June Ki Waho Seesaw Week Future Ferns Netball Hockey	5 June Seesaw Week Netball	6 June Interschool Soccer Yr 1-4 School Assembly	
Week 7	9 June NO SCHOOL Kahui Aho Maihis PLD	10 June	11 June Ki Waho Future Ferns Netball Hockey	12 June SCHOOL PHOTOS Netball	13 June Interschool Soccer Yr 5-8	
Week 8	16 June	17 June FORMAL Assembly	18 June Ki Waho Future Ferns Netball Hockey	19 June Turaki Matariki Celebration Netball	20 June NO SCHOOL Matariki	
Week 9	23 June BOT Meeting 5.10pm	24 June Art Exhibition Week TBC	25 June Ki Waho Future Ferns Netball Hockey	26 June Batons Up Mufti Day Netball	27 June	
Week 10	30 June	1 July	2 July Ki Waho Future Ferns Netball Hockey	3 July Batons Up Mufti Day Netball	4 July School Assembly Reports sent out	

Turaki School Term 3, 2025 Important Dates for Whanau

Please note: this is the basic outline for Term 2, further dates may be added/changed over the year.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	14 July Powhiri 9am	15 July	16 July Ki Waho	17 July Batons Up Mufti Day	18 July
Week 2	21 July Year 7/8 Miniball	22 July Year 5/6 Miniball	23 July Ki Waho	24 July Batons Up Mufti Day	25 July Junior Soccer
Week 3	28 July BOT Meeting Year 7/8 Miniball	29 July Year 5/6 Miniball	30 July Ki Waho	31 July Batons Up Mufti Day	1 August Tough Kids Mud Run Junior Soccer
Week 4	4 August LIFE EDUCATION Year 7/8 Miniball	5 August LIFE EDUCATION Year 5/6 Miniball	6 August LIFE EDUCATION Ki Waho	7 August LIFE EDUCATION Batons Up Mufti Day	8 August Turaki School Cross Country Junior Soccer
Week 5	11 August LIFE EDUCATION Year 7/8 Miniball	12 August Year 5/6 Miniball	13 August Ki Waho Mini Chat Free Reward	14 August Batons Up Mufti Day	15 August Junior Soccer
Week 6	18 August Year 7/8 Miniball	19 August Year 5/6 Miniball	20 August Ki Waho Batons Up Mufti Day	21 August	22 August Interschool Cross Country Junior Soccer
Week 7	25 August BOT Meeting Year 7/8 Miniball	26 August Year 5/6 Miniball	27 August Ki Waho	28 August Batons Up Mufti Day	29 August Junior Soccer
Week 8	1 September Year 7/8 Miniball	2 September FORMAL Assembly Year 5/6 Miniball	3 September Ki Waho	4 September Batons Up Mufti Day Special Men's Day	5 September Year 5–8 Rippa Batons Ups Junior Soccer
Week 9	8 September Year 7/8 Miniball	9 September Te Taiopenga o Tuwharetoa Year 5/6 Miniball	10 September Te Taiopenga o Tuwharetoa	11 September Te Taiopenga o Tuwharetoa	12 September Junior Soccer
Week 10	15 September Year 7/8 Miniball	16 September Year 5/6 Miniball	17 September CKCPA Quiz (Day)	18 September	19 September Junior Soccer

Turaki School Term 4, 2025 Important Dates for Whanau

Please note: this is the basic outline for Term 2, further dates may be added/changed over the year.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	6 October Powhiri 9am	7 October	8 October Ki Waho	9 October	10 October
Week 2	13 October	14 October	15 October Ki Waho KC Rippa Rugby-Taupo	16 October	17 October
Week 3	20 October	21 October BOT Meeting Interschool Speeches	22 October Ki Waho	23 October	24 October
Week 4	27 October LABOUR DAY No School	28 October	29 October Ki Waho	30 October	31 October Turaki School Athletics
Week 5	3 November	4 November	5 November Ki Waho	6 November	7 November Interschool Athletics Turaki Gumboot Day
Week 6	18 November	11 November	12 November Ki Waho	13 November	14 November
Week 7	17 November	18 November	19 November Ki Waho	20 November	21 November Ki-O-Rahi Yr5-6
Week 8	24 November BOT Meeting	25 November	26 November Ki Waho	27 November	28 November Ki-O-Rahi Yr7/8
Week 9	1 December	2 December	3 December Ki Waho	4 December	5 December
Week 10	8 December	9 December	10 December Ki Waho	11 December	12 December Year 8 Formal
Week 11	15 December	16 December Prizegiving Last day of School – finish at 12noon	17 December STAFF Callback Day	18 December End of Year BOT Meeting	19 December