

NEWSLETTER

From the Principal

Kia ora e te whanau,

This week, we farewelled Whaea Egypt. We will miss her presence at our kura and wish her all the very best as she focuses on caring for her mokopuna. We are also stoked to welcome Matua Chavez, our new school chef. Matua Chavez brings a wealth of experience in managing kitchens, and we are excited to have him join our Irongate whānau. A reminder that our staff car park must be kept clear for staff vehicles, particularly before and after school. When dropping off or collecting your tamariki, please park safely on the road outside the school rather than entering the staff car park. This is important for the safety of our tamariki, whānau and staff, and we appreciate your support. I would also like to acknowledge and thank the whānau who are generously volunteering their time to teach our tamariki Pasifika dance in preparation for Polyfest later this term. We are incredibly grateful for the time, knowledge and energy you are investing in our tamariki. We cannot wait to see them perform!

In the coming weeks, we will also hold our school production, in which every student will participate. More information will be shared soon. We are excited for our tamariki to showcase their learning, confidence and talents through performance. Our tamariki have shown wonderful resilience while areas of the school have been unavailable during the ongoing property works. Further work will take place over the next few weeks, primarily outside school hours. Once this begins, the school playground and fields will not be available for use after school. This is an important health and safety requirement, and we ask all whānau to respect any barriers, signage and restricted areas. Finally, the Education Review Office (ERO) will be visiting our kura shortly. We may invite some whānau to kōrero with the review team and share their experiences and perspectives. Your voice matters, and we value the trust you place in us each day by allowing us the privilege of teaching and caring for your precious tamariki.

Te Ara Hauora tries disc golf!

Te Ara Hauora headed to Flaxmere Park to learn how to play disc golf! 🌿 A big mihi to Matiu from Sport Hawke's Bay for showing us the new kēmu and helping everyone have a go. It was awesome to get outside, try something different, and have some fun together! 🙌😊



Upcoming Events

- Production (Week 7)
- Wig Day 9th September
- Term 3 Ends 25th September



Farewell Whāea Egypt



Tongan Language Week

We were proud to celebrate Tongan Language Week at our assembly! Our tamariki shared their learning, culture and language with our kura community. A special time to celebrate and honour the beauty of Lea Faka-Tonga. Malo 'aupito to everyone who helped make it a wonderful celebration!

