

UPOKONGARO SCHOOL

2024, Term 1, Week 8 Newsletter

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PUANGA SHARE THEIR OBSERVATIONAL DRAWINGS



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Our Puanga class shared some of their amazing observational drawings of bees at assembly on Friday. Pictured are Sharna-Vae, Valor, Zahliyah, Luxton, Leslee, Ameleah and Kora with their artwork. Tino pai ō koutou mahi!

“THAT PLACE” GUESTS PRESENT CERTIFICATES



Thank you to Tom and Louise from “That Place” for attending our assembly on Friday. They presented a Certificate of Participation to a crew of Year 5-6 students, who have been growing confidence in their mountain bike skills this term.

Congratulations to Iya, Phalcon, Mikaere, Rhylee, Elijah, Amahli, Etienne, Taatahi and Alex.



SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY ENFORCEMENT

Please ensure your child has the full school uniform ready for next term. School t-shirts, fleece/jumper/jerseys, school shorts, skorts and trousers are available from the school office. Our uniform will be mandatory from the first day of Term 2 - Monday 29th April. Please see Lyana in the office before the end of this term to order uniforms for your tamariki.



HOT CROSS BUNS - FUNDRAISER FOR SWINGS

Thank you for your awesome support with our Hot Cross Buns Fundraiser to purchase our school swings. Delivery will now be **Thursday 28th March**.

If you would like students to bring them home, they can only do so if you have orders of 6 packets or less (please send a shopping bag to school with your child for easy transporting).

Otherwise please collect them from the school at the end of the school day. Orders that aren't collected by then will be placed in our freezer (space dependent), as it is the Easter break Friday-Tuesday.

School starts back Wednesday 3rd April.



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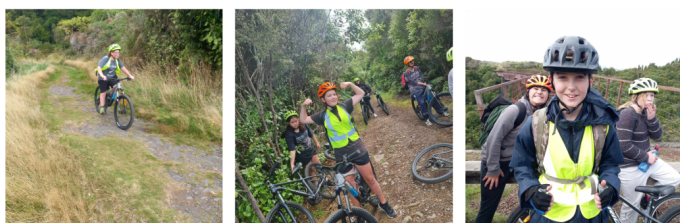
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YEAR 7-8 EXPERIENCE OLD COACH ROAD, OHAKUNE

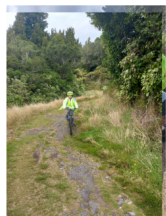
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On Tuesday 19th March, our Year 7 and 8's set off early to travel to Ohakune. The wonderful team at TBC set up us with awesome paihikara/bikes and hākete/jackets for the chilly start. It was a challenging 17km ride, through stunning native bush and over one-hundred-year-old cobblestones. We experienced the stunning sights of the Taonui and Hapuawhenua viaducts and travelled through darkness in the Hapuawhenua Tunnel.

A huge thank you to the parents, caregivers and staff who supported our students on this amazing ride. An even bigger thank you to our Year 7 and 8's, who completed this grueling ride in just over 4 hours as part of their Tuia Challenge. Ka mau te wehi!



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STEEL HORSE - 17 MARCH 2024



Thank you to our Upokongaro School helpers and the Upokongaro Community for yet another fabulous event. Over 250 riders participated in a 45km ride around the hills of Upokongaro, which was thoroughly enjoyed by young and old. The day was stunning and the kai was delicious. Over \$7000 was raised for our kura. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou.

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IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH

Thursday 28th - Hot Cross Buns delivered to school

Friday 29th - Good Friday

APRIL

Monday 1st - Easter Monday

Tuesday 2nd - Easter Tuesday

Friday 12th - School ends for Term 1, 2.50pm

Monday 29th - School starts for Term 2, 8.50am

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Our tamariki receive two Duffy Books each per term. Mainfreight continue to support us financially to make this possible. Thank you!

The Salvation Army continues to help Upokongaro School by supplying breakfast items and more for our kura. Kia ora!

Upokongaro School

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