

WHĀNAU - SCHOOL COMMUNICATION Thursday 01st May 2025

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Empowering Tamariki to Become Rangatira Who Value the Past to Create the Future

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Rochelle Jensen

Kia ora e te whānau! Talofa lava! Mālō e lelei! Ni sa bula! Kia orana! Fakaalofa lahi atu! Kam na mauri! Namaste! Vanakkam! Sat Sri Akaal! Ayubowan! Mabuhay! Selamat datang! Sawasdee! Mingalaba! Asalaam Walaikum! Hallo! G'day! Howzit! Bonjour! Konnichiwa! Nǐ hǎo! Olá! Hello! Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Pukehinahina.

A very special welcome to our new tamariki who joined us this week: Akalia, Aza-Rose, Ayden, Boston, Charli, Coup'e, Lottin, Maddy, Kingston, and Weston. Nau mai, haere mai! We are delighted to have you as part of our school whānau.

Despite a wet start to the term, we've jumped straight into learning. Structured Literacy and Maths continue as usual, and we've also launched our exciting new concept: **To Market, To Market, Te Mākete, Te Mākete.** This rich, technology-based concept involves students identifying a need, then creating a culturally grounded product to meet that need — ready to barter or sell at our **School Market Day in early Term 3**. The excitement is already brewing!

Communication with Whānau - HERO App

Please make sure you have **notifications turned on** in then app so you don't miss any important updates. If you need help setting this up, feel free to pop into the office, we're happy to assist.

Later this term, Progress and Achievement reports will be shared via HERO.

You should have also received a summary report of your child(ren)'s Term 1 attendance.

Out-of-Zone Enrolments

Gate Pā School has an enrolment zone. However, when spaces are available, we hold a ballot. Currently, we have several spaces for **New Entrant out-of-zone enrolments**, and some availability in **other year levels** too. If you know of someone who would like to be considered in our next ballot, please contact the office by phone: (07) 578 5325 or email: office@gatepa.school.nz

🗂 Our next ballot for Term 3 closes on **Thursday 8th May**.



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Parking Reminder

For the safety of all our tamariki, please:

- Park in the **church carpark** or in a **legal park** outside the school.
- **Do not park** in the staff carpark, college carpark, or on the grass verges these areas are not safe for our children.
- Our staff are out patrolling these areas to help keep everyone safe. Please be kind it's not their preferred mahi, but it's an important one ♥

Together We Learn: Helping Kids with Maths and Reading.

Save the date: Thursday 15th May | U 4:30-5:30pm

Come along for practical tips on how you can support your child(ren) to thrive in **Reading (Pānui)** and **Maths (Pāngarau)**.

Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi.

Ngā mihi, Rochelle Jensen

Principal / Tumuaki

