



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, Malo e lelei, Namaste, Mabuhay, Sat Sri Akaal, Ayubowan, Asalaam Walaikum, Bonjour, Konnichi Wa, Ni Hao, Hallo, Olá, hello,

It is hard to believe we are already entering week 8 of the term. Our tamariki (children) continue to experience settled learning environments, soaking up rich learning across the curriculum. Thank you to the 85%+ of parents who were able to attend our recent Learner Led Conferences. Your involvement means so much to us and to your tamariki!

School attendance is definitely improving, and we regularly celebrate our goal of 90%! However, we still have some work to do. In Term 1, only 50% of our children attended school for 90% of the time. Every day matters. One day absent per fortnight equals four weeks absent per year! Absences impact well-being and achievement. Please talk to us about any barriers you have to getting your children to school. We want to help. If your child is too unwell to attend school, please contact the school, see details overleaf.

Ngā mihi (thank you) to all whānau who have supported this term's events. These include Learner Led Conferences, the Samoan Celebration Assembly, Inter-School and Weekend Sports, Cross-Country, the Cyber-Safety Parent evening, Reading Together, and Filipino Independence Day celebrations.

School Starts: 8.55am -- School Ends: 2.55pm

Report Attendance  0275785325 www.gatepa.school.nz  075785325 ext 1



Upcoming events include:

- BOT Meeting - 19th June at 5:30pm
- Matariki - Friday 28th June. **School closed**
- Learning Exhibition - Thursday 27th June from 9-11am

Ensuring our school has the best possible learning environments is an ongoing focus. This year, we are deliberately utilising our precious ngahere (forest). Bug clubs, biking and sketching are a few activities regularly offered in this space.

We are very grateful to TECT for their recent contribution of \$50,000 for an upgrade to our senior playground. Future projects also include decks for some of our junior classrooms. Thanks to whānau who have recently signed up for the New World *Club Card for Schools* programme. Money raised from this programme will be 'gold' in supporting property projects.

In Term 3, due to roll growth we welcome a new kaiako(teacher), Kimberlie Cording. Kimberlie is an experienced junior teacher and will teach in a Year 0/1 class. She has recently returned home to Tauranga after extensive travel. Haere mai Kimberlie.

While we try to do our best every day for every child, we are always open to feedback. If you have any concerns or complaints, please share these. In the first instance, with the person directly involved. If this does not resolve your concern or if you do not feel comfortable doing this, please contact the office and arrange to speak to a member of the senior leadership team.

Our Concerns and Complaints policy, along with all our school policies are available on our website: 'Our School' - 'Charter, Policies and Annual Report' tab.

Make sure you are following us on Facebook - Gate Pā, Pukehinahina. This is a great way to receive bitesized updates of all that happens at our kura.

Matariki is just around the corner and is marked by a public holiday on Friday 28th June. This is an awesome chance for whānau to māharatia (reflect), whakanuia (celebrate) and wawatatia (aspire) – bringing light and togetherness to the winter months.

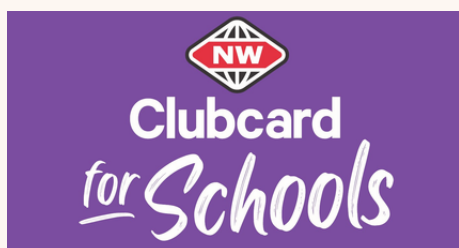
Thank you for your ongoing support.

Noho ora mai,
Rochelle Jensen

HOW TO REPORT ABSENCES

*Please let the school know why your child is absent
using one of the following ways:*

- Telephone: 075785325 Extension 1
- Website: www.gatepa.school.nz. Click contact and select absences
- Text: 0275785325



Thanks to New World Gate Pa our school community can help raise funds for our school simply by connecting your clubcards to Gate Pā School and swiping it each time you shop!

Every time you shop at New World Gate Pa and present your Clubcard, Gate Pā School will receive 1% of the total spend!

All you need to do is register your club card by coming into the school office with your clubcard number starting with 6014. Easy as that!

The more families signed up for the programme who scan their Clubcard at the checkout every shop, the more funds you can help raise for our school.



Mark your calendar.

Friday 28th June
School Closed

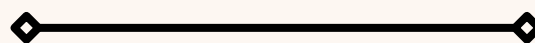
Matariki

School returns
Monday 1st July at 8.55am

Friday 5th July
Last Day of Term 2

School Returns
Term 3
Monday 22nd July at 8.55am

Church Car Park Reminder



The church car park is the safest place to park when dropping off and picking up your children. To maximise flow and safety, it is important that parents use the entrance closest to the school and exit on the opposite side both before and after school.

YOU ARE INVITED TO

Learning Exhibition and Matariki assembly

Your tamaiti (child) invites you to join us in celebrating Matariki and share in their learning around Te Taiao and beyond. Celebrations will include sharing of their learning and mihi in class from 9-9:45am, followed by a whole school assembly at 10am led by Kopurererua.

THURSDAY

27TH
JUNE

9 - 11

