

KĀHU RUA TERM TWO 2024



“Mā te huruhuru ka rere te manu”
Creating opportunities for our learners to soar



Welcome Rebecca and Lou!



Hello I'm Rebecca and I'm excited to be joining the Kāhu Rua team while Miss Olivia is on parental leave.

I was born and raised in the Waikato and have over 10 years teaching experience. I enjoy spending time with my young son, husband and our dog Millie. In my spare time I love trying out new recipes, reading a good book, or catching up with friends and family. I have a passion for the arts, especially drama for learning. I love giving students the opportunity to use their imagination to problem solve and explore different possibilities in their learning.

Kia Ora My name is Lou Cocks and I am excited to be joining the Kāhu Rua team on Wednesdays. I have been teaching in primary schools in Hamilton for 25 plus years and am looking forward to getting to know the Kāhu Rua learners.



I am kept busy when I am not in the class with my whānau, 4 children ranging in age from 13-22. I love reading, cooking, photography and am super happy when I am at a beach. Watching our tamariki grow, learn and experience new things is what makes teaching so much fun.



Kāhu Rua Team



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Wednesdays for Kasey

Our website and Facebook page have useful information and frequently asked questions that may help answer any queries you may have.

Please head to www.teaomarama.school.nz

Other School Info

Term 2 Events

TOPA: From week 1-5 we are lucky to have "Talents of the Pacific" back once a week. They offer an engaging and fun opportunity to be involved with Pasifika performing arts.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: In Week 2 we will be involved in this programme. The learning is centred around being educated about food, nutrition, reading food labels and eating a balanced diet.

TEACHER ONLY DAY: Please note school will be closed on Friday 31st May as the teachers engage in professional learning.

MATARIKI NIGHT WALK: Keep an eye out for information about the second annual Matariki night walk, this was a popular event in 2023.

B.Y.O.D

B.Y.O.D (Bring your own device) is an integral part of the learning philosophy of Kāhu Rua.

We have noticed a number of students bringing devices to school that are not charged. Please could you help us with this by reminding your child every night to charge their device.

It would also be helpful if your child's case could be labelled clearly as we have a number of devices with similar cases!

Reminders

Please ensure your child has enough food for a snack, morning tea, and lunch. A full drink bottle is also essential.

Birthdays are an exciting time! We will celebrate your child on their special day, but please refrain from sending treats to share. In such a large space it is quite difficult to manage and we often have multiple birthdays every week.

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 2 - 2024	
Date	What's On
Monday 29 April	First Day of Term 2 - Pōwhiri welcome for new families
6 - 10 May	New Zealand Sign Language Week
15 & 16 May	Hui-ā-whānau (Student/Parent/Teacher meetings)
13 - 17 May	Pink Week (Anti-Bullying Week)
Friday 17 May	Pink Shirt Day / Wā Ngākau
Fri 31 May	Staff-Only Day - SCHOOL CLOSED <i>Community of Learning (all local schools closed)</i>
Mon 3 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri 7 June	TAM Has Talent
Fri 28 June	Matariki Public Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri 5th July	Last Day of Term 2

Hui-a-whānau

Please keep an eye out for information regarding our hui-a-whānau in Week 3. This is a good chance to chat to your child's whānau teacher about how their year has started, and an opportunity for your child to show you what they have been up to!

