

Ngāti Toa School

Pānui wiki waru Wāhanga tuawhā 2025



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Te Karere a te Poari

Nau mai, tauti mai ki a Jasmine Arthur. He honore nui ki a mātou o te kura kia riro i tētahi kaiako pēnei i a ia. He uri nō Ngāti Toa Rangatira, he wahine toa, he wahine rangatira!

We're very pleased to announce that Jasmine Arthur has been appointed as our new Tumuaki Tuarua (Deputy Principal). Jasmine brings strong experience in teaching and leadership, and as someone with whakapapa to Ngāti Toa Rangatira, we are especially delighted to welcome her to our kura community.

We look forward to having Jasmine on board and working alongside her in the new year supporting our ākonga and whānau.

Haere mai ki tō whānau o Ngāti Toa School.

Ngāti Toa School Board

Whānau

Tata mai te wā raumati. Ka haere mai ngā rā mahana.

Ngāti Toa School is planning a number of local field trips for our tauira to enjoy summer activities, including snorkelling, trips to the seaside, and visits to local pools.

This is a great time for whānau to take tamariki to the beach or river.

Ko tēnei te wā, hei whakamahara i a koutou ki te haumaru wai.

Kia tūpato koutou i runga, i roto, i te taha hoki o te wai. Kia ako koutou ki te kaukau.

We live in a country where we are often on, in, or even under the water, so please take extra care during water activities.

Mauri ora!

Tamariki

Congratulations to Kyan, Kaius, Detroit, Masato, Faith, Melody, Naera and Jasper who competed in the Wellington Regional Athletics Competition. A big mihi to Whaea Kirsty for supervising on the day, and to all of our whānau who came along to support.

A special shout out to Faith, who placed 2nd in Vortex — ka rawe!



Hauora

This is our focus for the remainder of Term 4: making healthy choices for our minds, bodies, wairua, whānau, and our kura. These tamariki have been demonstrating hauora for themselves and others.



Attendance - Tae ā-tinana

Next term, Ngāti Toa School will begin implementing the Ministry of Education's attendance processes. For most absences, you will not notice any significant changes from what we currently do. However, there will be some additional steps that the school and whānau will need to take for long-term absences.

Each term, there will be:

- **Day-to-day messages** when your tamaiti is absent — very similar to what happens now.
- **Positive messages** sent to whānau whose tamaiti has fewer than 10 days of absence during the term.
- **Messages for up to 10 days of absence:** Whānau will be invited to meet with the school to work together on improving your tamaiti's attendance.
- **Formal message for up to 15 days of absence:** Whānau, the school, and other agencies will work together to develop a plan to support your tamaiti to get attendance back on track.
- **Warning notice for 15 days or more of absence:** The school board may become involved, and there may be a referral to the Ministry of Education for further action.

Dog Policy

There appears to be some confusion regarding dogs on the Ngāti Toa School grounds. Please note that dogs are not permitted on school grounds.

There are limited exceptions to this rule; please refer to the official school policy available on School Docs for full details.

This policy is scheduled for review in Term 1, 2026.

Corrections Crew - Ground Work at School

On Saturday, 29 November, a Corrections Crew will be carrying out ground work behind the junior block, next to the pool.

Dates to remember

1 Tihema

Board Meeting

3 Tihema

Senior Kapa Haka
whānau evening
5:30pm

8 Tihema

Senior School Trip
Tawa Pools

9 Tihema

Junior School Trip
Scorching Bay

10 Tihema

Helpers' Morning Tea
Leavers' Dinner

11 Tihema

Reports go home
Mountain To Sea trip-
Te Awa Rere/Tūrama
(selected students)

12 Tihema

End of Year Graduation

15 Tihema

Last day of Term 4,
3:00pm finish

2026 Term Dates

Term 1: 4 Feb-2 Apr

Term 2: 20 Apr-3 Jul

Term 3: 20 Jul-25 Sept

Term 4: 12 Oct-16 Dec

Quick Guide to SchoolDocs for the School Community

Information for school staff, students, parents, and whānau

SchoolDocs is an online policy platform for schools in Aotearoa. Your SchoolDocs site contains policies that are specific to your school and can be accessed by the whole school community.

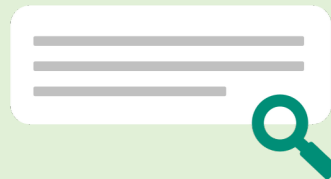
Using SchoolDocs

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Enter the login information for your SchoolDocs site here.

Related policies are grouped together on SchoolDocs, with links to supporting information and resources.

- To find a policy, type a keyword into the search bar, or browse the site using the table of contents. Click the black arrows to open each section.
- Search for **Quick links for staff** and **Quick links for parents and whānau**, which provide links to useful policy information.



- For more information about using SchoolDocs, see the Help tab at the top of your SchoolDocs site.

Reviews and feedback

Start your review

All SchoolDocs schools follow a 3-year review cycle to keep policies up to date.

For review information each term, see **Current Review** at the top of the site.

- You can provide **content feedback** to suggest changes to improve the content of a policy.
- You can provide **implementation feedback** about how the policy is implemented at your school.



If you find information that's incorrect during a review (e.g. location of first aid supplies), **do not** submit this through the review tool. Let the principal or board know that it needs to be updated.



If you'd like to comment on a policy that's not under review, you can use the **feedback button** to send an email to your school. This feedback is not sent to the SchoolDocs team.