

Ngāti Toa School

Pānui Wiki Tuarima, Wāhanga Tuatahi 2026



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Tēnā koutou katoa,

Āku whakapāha—apologies for not sending out our usual weekly pānui over the last few weeks. We have had lots of exciting things happening here at kura including our haerenga inanahi to Waikanae pools for our wā kaukau. Huge mihi to all our whānau, kaiāwhina and kaimahi who were able to join us. We enjoyed a full day of swimming, eating and whānaungatanga. Ngā mihi manahau to te whānau o Cross for our BBQ kai.

Over the past few weeks we have experienced some unexpected and severe weather. We want to thank all of our whānau for your prompt response when we needed to close the kura on short notice in week 3. Thank you to Matua Jamie, Whaea Corrina and our Kaiako who we onsite to make the site safe again.

Attendance

As you will all be aware the government has been tightening down on attendance. Regular attendance at Ngāti Toa School is important for your tamaiti to succeed. As a whānau, you are responsible for making sure your tamaiti attends school every day. Attendance includes being on time for kura. If your tamaiti is going to be absent for any reason, it is essential that you let us know as soon as possible. It is important that you phone to confirm your child's absence and provide us with the reason.

If your tamaiti is absent regularly, or for extended periods, we will contact you to discuss the situation. We are committed to supporting your tamaiti to attend kura. If you're having difficulty getting your child to school, you can ask for support by:

- speaking with your child's teacher
- contacting the office, or
- calling Crystal Southey-Willis 0274639622

Toa o te Wiki

Poho kererū! Kei te tino whakāhīhi mātou ki a koutou.
Showing our kura mātāpono of Kotahitanga in wiki 4 and 5.



Staff farewells / Poroaki

Matua Jamie - As many of you may already know, over the summer break Matua Jamie put in his resignation to take up a new role working for Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Toa. While we are deeply sad not to have Jamie here at kura with us, we know he is continuing amazing mahi with the rangatahi in our rohe, and we wish him all the best. We also thank Matua Jamie and his whānau for all the extra mahi they have been doing over the weekends to keep our kura looking its best.

Matua Francis - Francis Wi-Neera-Mulvihill was teacher-aiding in our senior school during the latter part of 2025 and had intended to return this year. However, he has successfully secured a basketball contract for 2026. We wish him all the best for the season ahead!

New arrivals/Ngā Haramaitanga

Haramai ngā pepi ki tēnei ao, te ao mārama, te ao hurihuri.

Congratulations to both Whaea Michelle and Ms. Anderson who both welcomed brand new baby girls during Hānuere.

Reminder/Whakamaumahara

School starts at 8.55am and finishes at 3pm each day. If you need to collect your tamaiti early, please come to the tari/office first and sign them out before going to their akomanga to pick them up.

This process helps us ensure the safety of all tamariki during the school day. Thank you for your support.

Mauri Ora whānau evenings

In week 8 of term 1 we will be having our Mauri Ora whānau hui.

If you are new to our kura, these hui are an opportunity for whānau and kaiako to kōrero about your child. We use the Mauri Ora plan framework, developed by Ngāti Toa Rangatira, as a base for sharing and gathering information and aspirations about your child and whānau.

Together we will also make a plan for ways to support your tamaiti/tamariki and their goals.

Property Update - Pool Area

Over the summer, Matua Bobby finished replacing and upgrading our pool fence. After the fence was completed, Matua Jamie began preparing the pool area, which is still in progress. The pool will soon be ready for our tamariki to enjoy. A pānui from kaiako with more information about the pool will be shared later this week.

Now that the pool is more visible from the road, we ask for your support to ensure the area is not accessed after hours.

For safety reasons,

- Chemicals are often adjusted in the evenings and may not be safe for swimming until levels are balanced.
- There is also no supervision outside of school hours.
- Wet surfaces and maintenance equipment make the area potentially hazardous.

We appreciate your support in keeping this space safe by reporting any after-hours access and ensuring that whānau and community members stay out of the pool area.



Dates to remember

13 Māehe

Vision & Hearing

16 Māehe

PPSSA Girls Futsal,
5v5 Basketball

17 Māehe

PPSSA PC Tag
Festival

18 Māehe

Whakawhetu/Turama
Zealandia trip

19 Māehe

Te Awa Rere
Zealandia trip

Wiki 8

Mauri ora whānau hui
Separate panui to come.

2 Aperira

Last day of Term 1



Vacancy for Caretaker

We are currently advertising for a Caretaker - Pop into the school office or phone for more information.

Breakfast Club Volunteers/Karapu Parakuhi

Breakfast club is currently open from Monday - Thursday from the school hall. We are urgently needing some parent volunteers to help run it from 8:15am - 8:50am. Please contact the office if you are available to help out, even if it is just one morning a week.

Sense Rugby

A group of tamariki are participating in the Sense Rugby programme. They are focusing on building positive relationships, and are also working with an occupational therapist to enhance their motor skills and build on their endurance.

Fundraising Committee/Kōmiti Pūtea

WE NEED YOU!!!! If you would like to be part of the fundraising committee, please pop into the office or email office@ngatitoea.school.nz. We are keen to do some fundraising events for our kura and tamariki. We have some big aspirations and we need your help.

Hākinakina

Well done to all our senior taura who took part in the one-day cricket tournament in Wiki 3! Especially to our yr 5/6 team who won all their games.

Kōrero from our Head Boys - Student Voice

"The vibe in our kura has been pretty high so far this year. Some of us have been really stepping up at hui-ā-kura and other activities, and stepping into leadership." - Ricki

"This year so far has been all about stepping out of our comfortzone and adapting to changes. It's been a season of change, which is cool because that's what we have been learning about in inquiry. I was nervous about changing friend groups this year with our new class, but it's been good. My encouragement to tamariki at our kura is to embrace the change." - Romani

Lost Property

There is a container of lost property available to look through. Please check it for any missing items before they are donated in the last week of kura.



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.

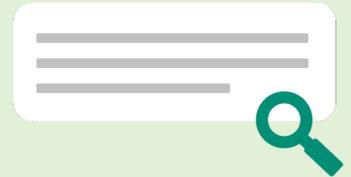
Using SchoolDocs

Website	<input type="text" value="https://ngatittoa.schooldocs.co.nz"/>
Username	<input type="text" value="ngatittoa"/>
Username Password	<input type="text" value="heart"/>
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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.



READY, SET, SIGN IN!

Stay in the loop by following these steps

1 DOWNLOAD THE HERO APP

Once downloaded, click 'Sign In'

2 ADD YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

Select "Next"

3 SELECT "NEW USER"

Your account will be set up by your school using the email address that you provided when you enrolled your children, use this address to request a password.

4 SELECT "SUBMIT"

Hero will send you an email with a link to follow.

5 CHECK YOUR EMAIL

You should receive an email within five minutes.

6 FOLLOW THE LINK

This will take you to a secure page to enter your chosen password.

If you encounter problems logging in, please check with your school to make sure they have the correct details for you.