

Ngāti Toa School

Pānui Wiki 8 Wāhanga Tuatoru 2026



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Kia ora e te whānau,

Mauri Ora Hui

Ngā mihi maioha e te whānau mō tō koutou tautoko this week with our early finishes for our Mauri Ora hui. It was wonderful to welcome so many whānau into kura and to see the meaningful moemoeā and whāinga being shared between kāinga and kura. This was a true reflection of the ahikāatanga we strive to uphold as a kura.

Student achievement /Aromatawai: Our tau 3-Tau 8 cohort have just completed their second round of PAT testing for 2026. Our akonga and kaiako have worked hard this year to bridge the gaps in learning and this was reflected in round 2 of their aromatawai.

Pāngarau/Mathmatics

- Our Term 3 PAT pāngarau results show strong progress across Years 3–8.
- The proportion of ākonga in stanines 1–3 **reduced from 32% to 18%.**
- The proportion achieving within stanines 4–6 **increased from 60% to 68%.**
- The proportion of ākonga achieving within stanines 7–9 **increased from 8% to 14%.**

Overall, 82% of ākonga are now working within or above the expected range for pāngarau/maths (stanines 4–9), an increase from 68% in Term 1.

This means we have met and exceeding our goal for pāngarau that were set in term 1 by the BOT.

Panuitia/Reading

- The proportion of ākonga in stanines 1–3 **reduced from 64% to 45%.**
- The proportion achieving within stanines 4–6 **increased from 27% to 40%.**
- The proportion achieving within stanines 7–9 **increased from 9% to 15%.**
- **Overall, 55% of ākonga are now working within or above the expected range** for reading (stanines 4–9), an increase from 36% in Term 1.

This means that we had a strong improvement in reading data, but the full target has not yet been met that was set in Term 1 2026.

So, the improvement goal was achieved, but the overall achievement target was not quite met by 5%. This gives us clear goals to work towards for term 4.

Mahi Maara/Planting at Mahinawa stream

Ngā mihi nui ki ngā mātua who joined Te Hukarito akomanga, Kora, and some of our tuākana from across the kura on their taiao trip. He mihi maioha ki a Whaea Pania, Whaea Ash, Whaea Amanda Dobson, and the wider Taiao team from Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira for sharing their time, knowledge and mātauranga with our taura.



Whakatakoto Rautaki/Strategic planning - A panui has come home with your tamariki. If you can spare a few minutes to have a look and share your whakaaro/thoughts, your moemoeā/aspirations for our kura and your tamariki for the next 2 years this would be greatly appreciated.

Hākinakina/Sports
3x3 Basketball

A huge mihi to all our coaches who made Wednesday possible, and to our kaimahi for supporting and organising our teams. Our tamariki returned to kura on a high after enjoying an awesome day of hākinakina!



Te Patu Kutu/Headlice - If your child requires treatment or a lice comb, these are available in the office. Please feel free to see Whaea Corrina or Whaea Ivy for assistance.

Rōpū Kākano Haerenga ki Marine Centre/Junior trip to Marine Centre

🌱 Rōpū Kākano ;Our Tau 0-3 taura from our kura auraki space enjoyed an exciting trip to the Marine Education Centre in Island Bay today. He mihi nui ki ngā whānau helpers and kaimahi who helped plan, support and attend the trip. Our tamariki—and adults—gained some wonderful mātauranga about our marine environment.



Dates to remember:

14 Hepetema

Opening of Māori Language week 9am

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Māori language week
 Parade trip to Ponake
 8.45am

18 Hepetema

Parakuihi reo Māori 8am

17 Hepetema

Whare rōpū rotations
 wear house colours

18 Hepetema

Te Reo Māori Language week Celebration hui 12pm

23 Hepetema

He Reo Mokopuna
 Māori Speech Competition
 9.30am Powhiri

24 Hepetema 2026

Robbie Fruean
 tournament

25 Hepetema 2026

Last day of Term 3, 3pm

Parent & Whānau Survey -
 Shaping our Schools Future



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FRIDAY LIBRARY CLUB SEPT

4

Father's Day Fun

Make a special pop-up polaroid photo card for Father's Day



Finger Puppet Frenzy

Create your own finger puppet characters to take home

11

18

Te Wiki o Te Reo

Māori--Poi Workshop

RSVP encouraged to
cherise.lesueur@porirua.govt.nz



Jumping Jellyfish

Make a wiggly beaded jellyfish craft

25



Manu platform – show us your best moves!

Time: Midday-4pm, Saturday 19 September

Address: Te Rauparaha Arena, Arena Aquatics, 17 Parumoana St, Porirua.



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4PM, WENEREI
2, 9, 16, 23, 30
HEPETEMA

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ALPHA MUAY THAI

24 PROSSER STREET, ELSDON, PORIRUA
Free or koha if you want but no need

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CLASS IS CAPPED SO
YOU MUST REGISTER

text 022 106 2067 for
any pātai



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TE REO MĀORI

sense rugby

PORIRUA SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

28 September – 1 October 2026

2.30–3.30 Tamariki session
3.30–4.30 Rangatahi session
at Paremata School



To register, email
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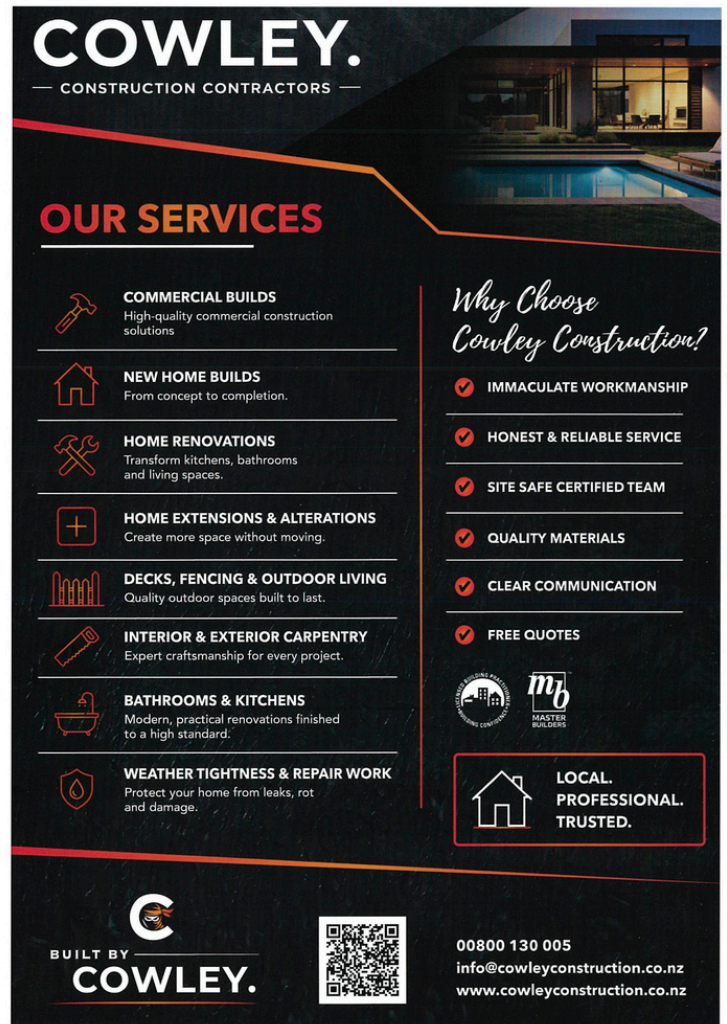
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SCAN TO ENTER!

ONE LUCKY PRIMARY SCHOOL WILL RECEIVE A \$7,000+ TOTAL PRIZE PACKAGE. This can be used towards a larger project if the winning school chooses. T & C's apply.

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Cowley Construction - As many of you may have seen, Cowley Construction is running a competition offering \$7,000 worth of labour and building materials to a deserving kura as their way of giving back to the community.

Back in **Term 2**, they asked whānau to nominate their kura. The kura with the most support were then narrowed down to a smaller group to move through to **Round 2**.

Thanks to the amazing support from our whānau and community, our kura made it through! 🎉

Now we need your help again — we need you to vote!

Simply scan the QR code and sign in to cast your vote. You'll be taken to another page where you'll be asked to enter information about a building project our kura could benefit from.

We have several projects that would make a real difference, so you could choose one of the following:

- **Construction of additional shaded/rain-covered outdoor shelter spaces**
- **Playground maintenance and improvements**
- **Fence maintenance and repairs**

Every vote helps, so please get behind our kura and encourage your whānau and friends to vote too.

Let's see if we can bring \$7,000 worth of building support back to our kura! 🙌



Pacific Night Market (with a Wiki o te reo theme)

Time: 5.30–9pm, Friday 18 September

Address: Te Akapuanga Hall (Porirua Cook Islands Hall), 14 Mentor Lane, Cannons Creek.



Poi-making workshop

Time: 3.30–5.15pm, Friday 18 September

Address: City Centre Library, 17 Parumoana St, Porirua.
Join us for poi making at the Centre Library. RSVP encouraged - please email cherise.lesueur@porirua.govt.nz to register your interest.