

NUMBER 1, TERM 1, 2022

Hello to all

Wow what a start to the year! I am writing this from home where I am convalescing. Mieke has been managing the start of the school year at school. It has not been an easy task with Covid, the weather, my operation, the buildings and buses. I have to say she is doing a great job.

The Covid game keeps changing on us, but we are keeping on top of it. The buses seem to be running fairly smoothly thanks to our fabulous drivers. The weather this weekend did mean that neither Mrs C nor the buses were able to get to school. One of our biggest frustrations is that we are an educational institute and when we have to deal with so many external issues around buses, Covid and buildings it does not leave a lot of time or energy to plan for the day to day teaching. This has been very difficult for us, as teachers.

We know that the pandemic is exhausting for all and there are people who don't necessarily agree that the senior children wearing masks is the answer. But this community has been amazing! Thank you. Thank you for just getting on with it and asking your children to do what needs doing. Instead of spending precious time on dealing with 'mask' issues we can just get on and focus on what we do best: teaching and learning. Although uncomfortable in the hot weather last week, wearing the masks has been an amazing opportunity to teach the children about empathy, resilience, adhering to rules for the common good even if we personally aren't necessarily impacted,

learning about new diseases and ways to combat them as we go and all sorts of other wonderful learning conversations. So again, thank you!

We are required to keep the classrooms well ventilated during this Omicron phase (we even have a CO₂ monitor in the classroom!). While this was fabulous during the hot weather, it can be a bit chilly when the weather turns. Please make sure you provide your children with a few extra layers of clothing to take on or off.

Unfortunately, for a variety of reasons the swim instructors are unable to provide swimming lessons this term. When I return to school I will provide the tamariki with swimming lessons myself. In the meantime we are still encouraging swimming whenever the weather allows it, so please ensure your children bring togs and towels to school daily.

That's all for this week

Simon

Please remember if you have any questions, queries or concerns please contact Simon Couling at school on principal@tinui.school.nz or Mieke Couling on miecec@tinui.school.nz

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SCHOOL CALENDAR - Term 1, 2022

8/2 Term 1 Starts
14/4 Term 1 Finishes
2/5 Term 2 Starts
12/5 - 13/5 Life Education
6/6 Queens Birthday
24/6 Matariki Day
8/7 Term 2 Finishes
8/2/2022 Term 3 Starts
30/9 Term 3 Finishes
17/10 Term 4 Starts
19/12 Term 4 Finishes

SCHOOL POLICIES - to view these please refer to:



[Our school docs site](#)

Search for Tinui School and use

Username : tinui

Password : respect

Look for the red POLICY UNDER REVIEW tab. Please feel free to make comments on any of the policies under review. We need your input.

WANT COVID-19 INFO?

Check out the Ministry of Health

[Facebook Page](#)

SCHOOL HOURS

8.30am - School opens

8.50am - School starts

10.00am - 10.20am - Morning Tea

12.00am - 12.25am - Lunch

1.20pm - 1.35pm - Afternoon Tea

2.45pm - School finishes

- The Manawa/Annedale bus students have a slightly different timetable.

NB. As we enter the last term and we all get very busy please remember how important it is to get your transport arrangements to us nice and early!!!!

Bus Messages - in by 2pm!!

- Remember if you don't see the thumbs up sign on messenger, we have not seen the message.

RAM SHEARING

*Contact Hamish Williams to book your rams in
- 372 6966*

\$10/ram - all proceeds go to Tinui School & Playgroup.





Kids News It Up

We're all excited for school this week. It is our first week of school for the year. Swimming is frequent due to climate change. Hopefully Covid-19 does not ruin our year plans and hopefully someone does not get covid-19 or else we will have to isolate and everyone does not want that to happen. In the reading groups there has been a bit of a change of the schedule of what we do in reading. The math schedule has changed as well. Well I mean it's 2022 there has to be a change at some point.

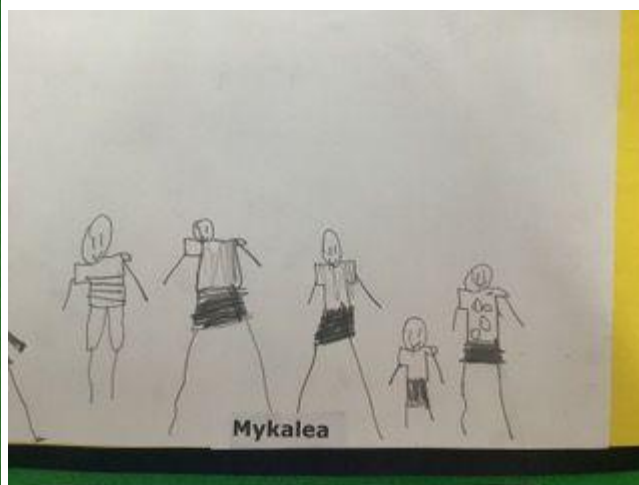
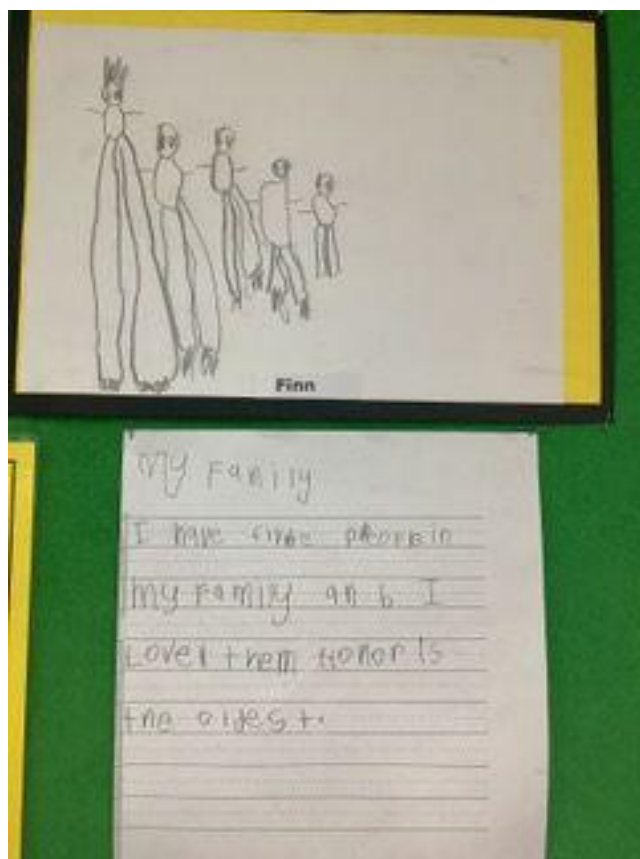
We have a new student at our school. He is in the junior room. The builder has been building a new bathroom over the holidays. So all the kids have to use the toilets behind the art room. 3 junior room students have moved up to the senior room. I hope they have a fun time as seniors there and learn a lot.

Mrs Goodall is in the junior room for this week. Mr Moore is coming back to Tinui school, everyone is excited for Mr Moore and Mrs Goodall for coming back to the school. Cross country is coming up in 5 months. All the kids are excited for the cross country this year.

By Bryn And Cedric.

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Photos from Room 3



Student work from the week....

In the holidays I went to my Dads house. I saw my dog Jess and I went on my motorbike. I also played with the baby pigs.

Then I went to Rotorua with my Nan and Pop. We went to mini golf and on the gondolas we also went to 3D art. When I was at my Dads, Anya my stepmum was on my bike and she tried to change the gear and it went into neutral. She was revving it too much that when it got into gear she did a wheely and bind it.

By Sophy

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