

## Nano Girl/STEAM Day...

This Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> of November we are combining with six local schools to host a show by “Nano Girl” a Kiwi nanotechnology scientist. Alongside the show there will be stalls from each school showing STEAM activities and a Trash to Fashion show. We are expecting over 1800 students and teachers here on the day. Parents are more than welcome to attend.



## Property...

Over the last few weeks we have been working on tidying up the grounds around our school. There has been planting, building, cleaning, clearing and painting going on. Thank you so much to all the parents who have come along to help in this process. If you have any time available to come and help, feel free to let us know and we will find somewhere that needs attention.

### Fencing project:

We have been very fortunate to receive funding to improve the fencing along the boundaries of the school and to add new fencing along the front of our school. While this work is going on there has been temporary fencing put up along the front of the school and along the boundaries. Once the new fence is in place the temporary fencing will come down and all of our play areas will be accessible again to use including the hut building area. The school will still be accessible outside school hours for any of our community who enjoy the use of our grounds after school or on the weekend. This initiative is going to be of great benefit to all students in our school and will help us to keep the health and safety of your children at the forefront.



## Upcoming Events

### November 22

Nano Girl show, STEAM day.

### November 30

Student leaders end of year trip to Westwave.

### December 5

Pohutukawa trip to Westwave.

### December 7

Totara Graduation assembly 2pm.

### December 7

Reports go home.

### December 11

Parent helper's morning tea, 11am.

### December 13

Koromiko final awards assembly, 11:40am.





### December 13

Nikau final awards assembly.

### December 14

Last day of school, finish at 12:30pm.

## School make up for 2019...

<p><b>Pohutukawa Whanau (Year 1-2)</b></p> <p>Mrs Viv Adam Mr Spencer Woolrich Mrs Janet Gifford Brian Ms Shannon Kingston Mrs Rita Sharma</p> 	<p><b>Nikau Whanau (Year 3-4)</b></p> <p>Mrs Deb Logan Mr Andrew Stoddard Miss Rebekah Long Mrs Lisa Lilly / Mrs Victoria Theobald Mrs Desiree Pillay</p> 
<p><b>Koromiko Whanau (Year 5-6)</b></p> <p>Mrs Julie Wray Miss Morgan Mann Mrs Chelsea Szkup Mrs Jane Francois Mr Mike Carswell</p> 	<p><b>Totara Whanau (Year 6-8)</b></p> <p>Mrs Bex Ellis Mr Matt Sheales Ms Ann Haley Miss Pam Palemene</p> 



### Meet the teacher day 2019...

To start the year in 2019 we will be having a Meet The Teacher day on Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of January. During this day teachers will be available from 9am – 3pm for parents to come in with their child to discuss the year ahead with their child's new teacher. There won't be set times for parents, teachers will be available for the day and whanau can pop in for a 15-30min visit as suits them during the day.

This is a way teachers can hear from parents on day one of the year how their child learns best, how best to communicate with home, what special interests your child has, what they struggle with, and to jointly come up with some goals for the year.

The relationship between teacher, student and caregiver is so important and by doing this on the first day of school we believe we will be setting your children up for a successful 2019.

"Normal" school programmes where students will be expected for the whole day will begin on Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup> of January.



## In the Community

### Swimming pool:

We have the portable pool arriving during the holidays for term 1 swimming programmes. An exact date for the pool move is yet to be confirmed with the other school. However if you would like to help move the pool and set it up near the end of January 2019 please contact the school office and put your name forward and Mr Hood will be in contact with you when a time has been arranged.

### Office Dates...

- School finishes this year on Friday 14th December 2018 at 12.30 pm. Please make arrangements for your child to be picked up at this time.
- First day back next year is Tuesday 29th January 2019 (Meet the teacher day).
- First day of full class lessons Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> of January.
- The school office will be open between 9.00 am and 4.00 pm 23rd, 24th and 25th January.

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