



Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo, Talofa Lava, Bula Vanaka, Malo e Lelei, Fakaalofa Lahi atu, Namaste, Talofa Ni and Warm Pasifika Greetings!

## Principal's Message

### *Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 2021*



Students and staff have been involved with Te Reo Maori opportunities in class and around school. Representatives from our Junior and Senior Rumaki class featured in the Rotorua Daily Post on Monday. They were preparing to give a brief mihi (welcome), karakia (prayer) and pepeha (who I am, who I belong to) as part of the "Maori Language Moment" event that had been promoted by the Maori Language Commission

Teina Taute coordinated with staff to host the special event on Tuesday at 12,00pm. Some classes were invited to come to the school hall, while others classes remained in the classroom and were linked to the event by Zoom. Thank you to Keira-Lee, James, Kataraina and Julius for sharing their Te Reo moment with everyone. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa. Tau kē!

[Copy of Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 2021 virtual classroom](#)

### *Malfroy School Community Consultation Survey 30 August - 17 September 2021*



This survey is designed to offer you, the stakeholders of our school community, an opportunity to be involved in the future direction and development of our school. You will be asked to respond to a range of statements about the learning culture and environment of our school. We encourage you to add comments which will help us gain a better understanding of your thoughts and feedback. Every parent or caregiver who completes a survey will go into a draw for a gift voucher valued at \$50.00 each. There are six gift vouchers.



### **CHESSE COMPETITION**

Thank you to Jo Hughes for coaching and organising the chess team for the regional competition. There were 15 players who registered for this event. Jo was very pleased with every player who showed they have the talent and determination. Many of the students have only started playing this year and matched other students from other schools who were at a higher level. Well done.



## **Important Reminders**



**COVID-19** - Please ensure that while we are at **Alert Level 2**, any parent, caregiver or visitor coming into school must sign in using the **QR COVID-19 Tracer App** which can be located outside the front entrance to the school office or at the staffroom door. You can also sign in at the school office. You are expected to **wear a mask** if you are coming into school and going directly to your child's classroom.

**Attendance Monitoring** - Last week we reported the numbers of absences for Thursday and Friday was about a third of the school. I can report that most of those students have returned to school this week, with about 30 students absent for various reasons. Our current school roll is 309 students.

**Driving across the back field to RGHS** - We have received a report from the Amorangi RGHS Childcare Centre about a ute driving across our field and RGHS field after school. This is a hazard to all children who are walking home that way or playing on the bank. We would remind everyone not to take "short-cuts", otherwise we will close the gates. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **Important Dates**

**Road Patrol Training** - Year 5 students who have indicated an interest in training for road patrol will be completing a theory assessment next Monday 20 September. Thank you to Aroha Davis for arranging the training programme with Police Liaison Constable Viv Sutton.

**Rotorua Intermediate Testing** - Year 6 students will have this test next Tuesday 21 September at Malfroy School.

**Whanau Hui and Whanau Breakfast** - All going well, these two events have been scheduled for Thursday 23 September at 4.30pm in the staffroom and Friday 24 September in the school hall at 8.00am.

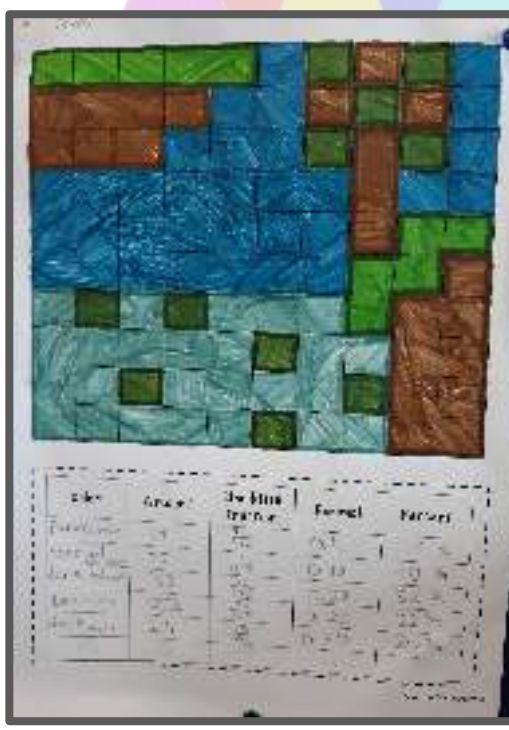
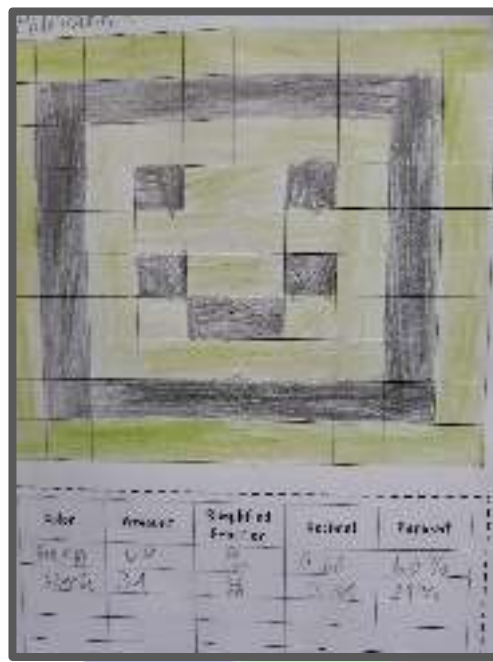
Take care, stay safe, stay well.

Nga mihi  
Nicky Brell & Staff



# Room 8

# FRACTION ART



A fun activity to incorporate fractions with art.



## Malfroy School Absentees

Parents and caregivers, can you please use the school app for all absentees. You can also call the office on 07 348 8588.

Please **DO NOT** use the school Facebook Messenger for sending your absentees or any other messengers.

Welcome to our new students and their families -

Room 4 - Patu  
Room 5 - Evonne  
Room 6 - Navey  
Room 7 - Ngaire, Maia-Leigh  
Room 9 - Kaleb  
Room 15 - Brooklyn



## Honey Fundraiser

Hot winter drinks with honey!

We have just the thing. Pure New Zealand, locally sourced Honey. Last year our honey fundraiser was a big hit. It is once again available from the school office.

\$15.00 each/1 kg container



## Interested Touch Players!! - Term 4

The registration fee of **\$23.00** to the school office. This fee covers Term 4.

**Closing date: Friday 24th September**

Please note:

- Grading for games will be held **SATURDAY 16th October for Year 0-13 - Last Saturday of the school holidays**
- First game - Year 5-8 Tuesday 19th October TERM 4
- First game - Year 0-4 Wednesday 20th October TERM 4

It is the responsibility of parents to get your child to and from their competitive games each week.

Interested students received a notice today, if you would like a notice please see the class teacher. Once payment has been received your child will be placed in a team and they will be informed of their practices.



Reminder - Our transition classes are still on every Wednesday at 1.30pm

## 'Stepping up - Upane'

### Malfroy School New Entrant Student Transition to School Programme

Every Wednesday from 1.30-2.45 pm, we look forward to welcoming your child and helping them to prepare for their transition into Malfroy School. The aim of our transition to school programme, **'Stepping up - Upane'** is to ensure a smooth change over from Early childcare/home care to the school situation in a happy and very supportive way. Children from 4 to 5 years are welcome to attend.

#### The Learning Outcomes that we focus on at the 'Stepping up' are:

Developing Self Esteem Developing Social Skills  
Formal Routines Early Literacy and Numeracy Skills  
Fine Motor Skills Oral Language Skills

Upane is held every Wednesday at 1.30 to 2.45pm afternoon in Room 1 with our New Entrant Teacher, Whaea Linda.

If your New Entrant child is able to have at least 4 visits prior to them starting school, then this really helps them to make an easy and stress free transition to school when they do start.

Call in to the office and pick up a 'Stepping Up - Upane' transition pack and enrollment form.

## Malfroy School Chess Club News:



On Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> September, Malfroy competed in an on-line combined 'Chess Power' tournament. Due to the Covid situation, this regional tournament included Tauranga and Hamilton schools, as well as our Rotorua schools, making the tournament quite a tough one.

Our team consisted of 17 players – 14 Malfroy students in Team B and 3 in Team C. Every student played 7 games each. We won a total of 50 games and the Team B scored 15.5 points from it's top players. We just missed qualifying for the N.Z. Nationals by a mere 2.5-3 points!

What our tamariki achieved is truly amazing! As a team we have only been up and running for 2 terms and to have come so close to qualifying and playing against far more experienced teams says a great deal about just how talented our chess team is. Added to that is the challenge of playing on line and this makes the children's achievement even more remarkable.

I am immensely proud of our tamariki, so to Jazarn, Hunter, Jason, (our top 3 Malfroy players) and to Eru, Zayed, Colin, Lucien, Ezra, Travis, Joe, Kai, Zari, Skilgannon, Kaalon and Wharemiria – THANK YOU! You played amazingly well and have so much to be proud of.

I also want to extend a thank you to Whaea Helen for her support, to Whaea Gaylene for ironing out some last minute technical glitches and to the parents who supported our Tamariki who played on line at home. A reminder too, there are many competitions played on line through Chess Power so keep competing.

Kia Kaha Malfroy School Chess Team – you guys are amazing. Ms. Jo Hughes, Malfroy School Chess Club Coordinator.