

KŌWHAI

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ROOM 28 CLASS LETTER

Monday 14th July, 2025

Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Malo e lelei, Kia orana and Welcome!

What an incredible start to Term 2 we had! Room 28 kicked things off with a bang by winning **Class of the Week in Week 2** – a well-deserved recognition of our hard work and positive class culture. We began the term by showcasing our creativity and collaboration at the **STEAM Fair** with our project *Whare Whakaora: Designing Future-Focussed Homes*. Our big idea was to design and build sustainable, culturally respectful homes using creativity, science, and teamwork. Students explored Māori architecture and the significance of the wharenuī, while learning to apply STEAM thinking to solve real-world problems. It was amazing to see students working together, reflecting on the process, and managing their time and resources so effectively.

Alongside our STEAM work, we were also busy preparing for our **Assembly Performance** and our **Overnight Marae Noho in Week 2**. These experiences helped us deeply connect to the kaupapa: *Ko au te whenua, ko te whenua ko au – I am the land and the land is me*. Through writing and presenting powerful speeches, our tamariki explored the Te Ao Māori worldview around our deep connection with the whenua, and our responsibility as kaitiaki (guardians) for future generations.

Looking ahead to **Module 7: Adventurous**, Room 28 is excited to represent **Italy** in the upcoming **MI UN Show**, with a special focus on **Ancient Rome**. Students will get the chance to dive into Italian culture and history, and we'll be celebrating with delicious **cheese pizza** at our **Food Fest** on **Tuesday 23rd July**. Mark your calendars also for the **Kōwhai UN Show** on **Tuesday 30th July**, where our tamariki will showcase what they've learned in a fun and vibrant performance. Come along to watch and support!

Lastly, a reminder that **Student Involved Conferences (SICs)** will be held on **Wednesday 7th August**. I'm looking forward to seeing you all there this time, to celebrate your child's progress and next steps. Please remember to text me the night before or in the morning if your child will be absent or late. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ngā mihi,

J. Gallagher

Tracey Gallagher

Module 6:

MI Cultural Breakout: UN Show

Module 7:

Adventurous

Subject Teachers:

Humanities: Tracey Gallagher

Math: Uane Davidson

Science: Tara Clement

PE: Cian Byrne-Hansen

Te Ao Māori: Char Tamaki

Visual Art: Sharmayne Hardwidge

Form Time Subjects:

Hauora: Nutrition

Monday Magic: Money Mojo

Life Skills: First Aid

Friday Frenzy: Media Studies

Important Dates:

23rd July: Food Fest Celebrations

30th July: Kōwhai UN Show

31st July: Year 7 Boostrix

4th August: All Week: Uniform Check

7th August: Student Involved Conferences (SICs)

14th August: Year 6 Open Day

15th August: MID TERM BREAK

18th August: STAFF ONLY DAY

20th August: Whole School Mathex

Finals

17th September: Spring Social

19th September: Last Day of Term 3

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ATTENDANCE:

I expect 100% attendance! Your child must be at school everyday. If your child is not able to come to school, make sure to contact me in the morning, preferably before 8:30am. I will be contacting you if your child is away without a valid reason as they can not progress with their learning if they miss school. We want and need your child at school everyday!

LATES:

If your child arrives to school after the 8:30am bell, they will be on Community Service at lunchtime the following day. To avoid this happening, please ensure your child is getting to bed at a decent hour each night so they wake up early and get to school on time.

UNIFORM:

Your child needs to be in 100% correct school uniform. This includes their whānau band. Refer to the MI Planner for more information. If there are any problems and your child does not have the correct uniform, please send them to school with a note. They can take this to Mr Peilua to receive a uniform pass.

REMINDERS

