



Kaharoa Snapshot

11 December 2024

2025 Information will be emailed home before the end of the week including information about stationery, term dates, and classroom placements.

Trampoline Unveiling + BBQ + House Sports - This Friday 13th of December

- To raise money for the tramp chain, lock, and base guard we will be selling bouncing slots \$2 for 5min solo jumping or \$5 for 10min with 2 friends. From Monday 16th we will have a year group per day roster (no cost).
- BBQ for the Year 8 legacy project. \$5 for sausage, bread, sauce and fizzy drink. \$7 to add a second sausage.
- **Pre-orders for bouncing and BBQ - last chance tomorrow (Thursday).**
- Please bring togs and towel for House Sports rotation Friday after lunch

16 December - End of year reports go home

17 December - Year 8 Prizegiving and Graduation 1pm start - Kokako centre

18 December - Last day of term 4, finishing at 2:50pm

Teatowel Fundraiser - ordering has now closed but we have a very small number still available - please email Tania at tania@kaharoa.school.nz if you are interested. This is on a 'first in' basis. Tea towels cost \$16 each.

Recent School Emails:

- **Trampoline & Legacy Project Fundraiser** (sent 9 Dec)
- **EOTC & BYOD Information Flyer 2025** (sent to 2025 Team Totara families 4 Dec)
- **Kaharoa Snapshot** (sent 4 Dec)



Special Visitor for Year 8 Prizegiving

It is with great excitement that we announce a special guest who will be joining us for this year's senior prizegiving on Tuesday, 17 December 2024:

Nando Pijnaker, a former Kaharoa School student who went on to become a professional football player signing with several European football clubs in Switzerland, Portugal, Denmark and Ireland.



He formed part of the U20 New Zealand team to play in the World Cup in 2019, is now one of New Zealand's All Whites and plays for A-League team Auckland FC.

He attended Kaharoa School from 2004 - 2011 and will talk to our senior school leavers about his journey when he attends our prize giving event next week.



Congratulations Ben!

Congratulations to Ben Snodgrass, who has been selected to participate in The Hockey Experience for 2025, an elite 11-a-side hockey tournament. Competing against players from across Tauranga, Taupō, Whakatāne, Thames, Waikato, and Hawke's Bay during trials in Rotorua, Ben earned a spot on The Force Under-14 Boys team. As a Year 8 player among mostly Year 9s, this is a fantastic achievement that highlights Ben's talent and determination to excel in hockey!



Today we unveiled the **Legacy Project for 2024**. This project is an opportunity for the year 8s to leave something meaningful behind that not only makes Kaharoa School a better place, but also something to remember our students for.

Over their intermediate years, the senior team have worked hard to create a great culture that they are now proud of. Therefore, they decided that creating a mural explaining the class names would help build and reflect the importance of this culture for years to come.

A massive thank you to Jacqui English for her work with our tamariki in making this project a reality. Also a thank you to Mr Shoebridge, Matua Ryan, Whaea Denise, Resene, Bunnings, and Speedy Signs for their contributions.

See our School Facebook page for more photos and a video from the unveiling.

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Summer is coming BOOK YOUR SCHOOL POOL KEY NOW

Hours of access - During school week - 3pm - 8pm
During weekends and the holiday period - 10am - 8pm

Volunteers Needed to Keep the Pool Open - The pool requires monitoring over the weekends and holiday break. The pool committee seeks volunteers who can check chlorine levels 3 hourly (10am, 1:15pm, 4:30pm), record noise levels once a day, close the pool at 8pm, and also check that the pool rules are being followed. The pool will only be able to open with this community support. Note: Volunteers will receive a discount on their pool key. Contact Tina on poolcommittee@kaharoa.school.nz if you are able to volunteer.

Note: There is a once off \$30 tag fee the first year you get a key. Those things are expensive!



PTA \$100 per family donation request

Kaharoa School has opted into the MOE donation scheme again in 2025 which will be a significant saving to our families. The School will only ask for donations for overnight camps and optional activities.

In the past, school donations were used to top up the costs for running the pool for students to do swimming with their classes. To make up some of the shortfall, the PTA are aiming to raise additional money towards to costs of running the pool each year and are asking families to consider a \$100 per family annual donation to the PTA.

Donations can be made to the PTA bank account 12-3155-0189139-00