



Rongomai School

Empowered to Take Risks; Determined to Succeed

Newsletter

Rāapa 12th o Piripi
Wednesday 12th June
2019

This newsletter is dedicated to the memory of Whaea Mellissa's grandparents who passed away in the weekend - Room 7 misses you very much. Much Aroha to you and your Whanau Whaea Mellissa!

Thank you Equippers Church!!!

'Hej', 'Hallo', and 'Kamusta' to all our Rongomai family. We share these greetings in Danish and Filipino (tagalog) as a tribute to our friends from Equippers College who gave 3 days of service to our school last week. Along with some of the languages mentioned and taught above, the 18-strong team helped in all classes with reading 1-on-1, singing lessons, and the very popular dance classes. With both local and international adult students, our school was blessed by their passion to share songs, testimonies, and experiences to encourage our children to persevere in trials and grow in faith. It was a very uplifting week had by all - teachers, students and our guests. Equippers Church has a long-standing connection with our school having helped with painting and gardening in the past. The mosaic greetings along our front driveway is one of many projects led and completed by Equippers. It was great to rekindle this relationship and we hope to continue having these enriching experiences. Thank you Equippers Church!

EQUIPPERS



The Equippers team get everyone moving, dancing and singing. It was a fantastic experience had by all.



Whaea Paeariki says thank you to Pastor Leon and guests while presenting a gift on behalf of our school.



Can you see the Equippers Symbol on this mosaic you've probably walked past so many times? Look carefully...



"Equippers was here!" - bottom right-hand corner. Their mark was left here visually many years ago. Their mark was left again emotionally in the hearts of our children of 2019. A truly encouraging, uplifting, few days. #Blessed

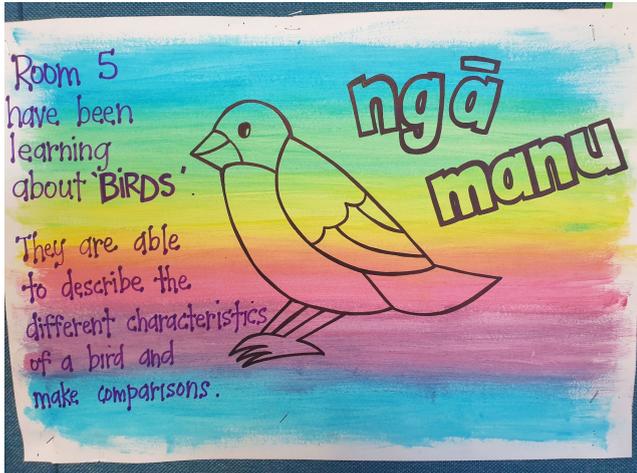
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Room 5 learning

Miss Vaha'akolo and Room 5 have been hard at work filling their minds with new knowledge and growing a safe enjoyable learning space. They've been sharing ideas: writing, reading, designing, art, working with numbers and exploring both individually and in groups. Check out some of the projects they've been working on...



Miss Vaha'akolo is so artistic isn't she?



"My bird has fluffy green wings. It's pointy beak looks like a carrot. It makes a caw-caw sound" By Toakase.



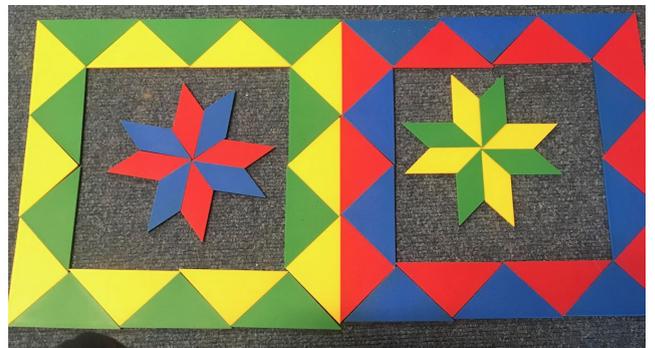
"My bird has a yellow tail. It's wings look like flippers. It makes a quacking noise like a duck." By Fa'alili



Buddy reading - Sione and Radsen enjoy a book together.



Eden and London building with shapes and blocks during activity tubs time.



Some of the genius work by students without help from their teacher.

Excellent work Miss Vaha'akolo and Room 5. You should be proud of yourselves. Keep up the good work and enjoy your learning!

Whāia te iti kahurangi, ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei.
Aspire to the greatest heights, should you bow, be it to a lofty mountain.

Meitaki from the Cook Islands group

Thank you so much for supporting our group with our smoothie fundraiser last Friday. A \$2 coin for a delicious blend of real fruit, milk, and ice cream was definitely a treat!



Dee-Sharn (R4) ready to distribute the delicious smoothies

Upcoming Events

- **Junior Syndicate ZOO trip**
13th June
- **Kapa Haka hangi fundraiser \$10**
14th June
- **Senior Syndicate Superhero Day**
21st June
- **BOT Meeting @ 5pm**
26th June

Enjoy the week ahead and continue to support your children's learning at home. You can continue to show your support by coming to see their teachers in a couple of weeks at the Parent-Teacher Interviews. More information will come out in due time. In the meantime, keep warm and take care for now.

Kia manuia,
Paeariki Johnson - Principal

Don't forget to order your

**HANGI PLATES for
this Friday!**

You must hurry though as there are limited plates. Orders to come only through the office (eftpos available) for only \$10 - included is chicken, pork, potato, kumara, pumpkin, cabbage and stuffing. Yummy! Pick up at 4.30-5pm from school. All proceeds go towards resources for the Kapa Haka group. Kia ora!