



# e-Newsletter

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Good afternoon all,

I hope that you're all having a great weekend, despite the rolling thunder overhead as I write this.

I decided to do a short e-Newsletter, which has a few bits and pieces which I wanted to let you know about, so it keeps you up to date in between the full newsletters.

As always, if there is anything you want to know, or want clarification on, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Tiana or myself.

Cheers,

Chris

1. For obvious reasons, unfortunately all events listed in the previous full newsletter, have now had to be cancelled, simply as it is not possible to hold the events, or attend the events, as a result of the cyclone. Hopefully as things improve, especially with roading, then events such as those listed will be able to be revisited.

2. Many thanks to those families who have provided goods to add to our lunch menu or collection of food items, for use to provide lunches each day for all children who are currently attending Tiniroto School. It is appreciated.

3. Over recent days, the kids have been helping Tiana with the lunches while we have an increased roll, (and yes parents, they also have had to do the dishes). The kids have done brilliantly, and it's great watching and listening to the interaction between them. There are some images of some of them on our temporary school website (shown below).

4. Thank you very much Anaru for tidying up our PE shed, (which really did need a make-over). I promise we will keep it that way now. Also thanks to Anaru and Tiana for organising to remove our rubbish. During and after the cyclone, our bins were filled up very quickly. Thank you both.

5. At the moment the school has 2 websites, which at the moment, I am unable to update. Until then, I have set up a small and basic site which allows you as parents to be able to see the kids in action with some of the things they are doing at school. These are usually updated every few days as new photos of the kids are taken. Please note that when new images are added, they end up at the end of the slideshow. You can either manage the slideshow manually, (image by image), or sit back and watch it, where it will change images every 5 seconds. The temporary site address is: <https://nzkiwiclassroom.weebly.com/tiniroto-school.html>

6. As you all know, at the current time we are hosting children in our area who formally attend other schools, but whom are unable, or its impractical, to attend their normal school. This group of kids is what we call our Storm Class Kids. We are now about to start our 3rd week of doing this, and it's great to see all the different personalities of all the kids together as one group.

I have had a couple of people who have asked me how long will this go for. I must admit, when I started this, the end date hadn't crossed my mind. I thought maybe a few weeks or so. However, I have decided that we will continue our current arrangement for our Storm Class Kids for another 5 weeks, which will take us through to the end of Term 1. Hopefully this will have given some ease and certainly to both you as parents, as well as for the kids. So, our Storm Class Kids arrangement will continue until the end of this term, but it will end on the final day of the term, so we'll still remain as one class right up until the end of Term 1, 2023. The final day for the end of Term 1 (for all primary schools), is Thursday 6th April, 2022.

7. Some of you will be noticing that some of the kids, (mainly junior and middle kids), are starting to bring a book and notebook home each day. I got there in the end with getting this underway. The book is for reading/sharing. Feel free to read with your child, or to get them to read to you. I have told the kids that if you are too busy, they can always read to a sibling, a pet, or even to a teddy. I do try and get to hear them read the book at school before bringing them home to read to you, but there are times when I am unable to always get that done. The words in the notebook are mainly for sight words for the juniors, and for spelling for the middle kids. That is, with the juniors, it is mainly recognising what the words are, and for the middle kids to be able to read the words, as well as to start looking at spelling the words. If no new words are written on the next page of the notebook, then just continue with the current ones, as they will only change weekly. You may just want to put a tick or cross by each word as they do them. The kids will not usually bring these home on Friday, so you can give them heaps of jobs to do on the weekends, but don't tell the kids I told you that-haha.

8. We say farewell to Pippa and Zavien, who have now returned to their regular schools. It was great having them as part of our class, and we wish them both all the very best being back with their peers.

9. We say welcome back to Tyla and Anaru-Jure (AJ), who of course you all know, and they know the school very well. This also includes our new addition, Joanne, who begins school as a Year 1.

10. A big welcome back to Diana King, who has been able to come over to the otherside, and back to Tiniroto School, having been stuck at home due to the Te Reinga bridge being out of action. It's great having you back Diana,

That's all for now. Thanks again for your support, and from our family at school, to you as parents, take care. Feel free to thank each and every one of your kids who attend Tiniroto, as they are all doing great and looking after each other. I am loving teaching all of them.  
From all of us at Tiniroto School.