



The Aubert Oracle



Suzanne Aubert
Catholic School
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Message from our Tumuaki

THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2024

Tena koutou katoa whānau. Nau mai, haere mai ki te Hata Meri Hōhepa - te Kura Katorika o Papamoa.

This is Holy Week. A very special time for us at Suzanne Aubert as a Catholic learning community. This is a time for us to pause, reflect and walk with Jesus on his journey to Easter. This is a time that is symbolised by:

- The joy and praise of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday
- The example of compassion and servant leadership as Jesus washed the feet of his disciples before sharing the Passover meal
- The sorrow and anticipation of impending suffering as Jesus shared the Last Supper with his disciples on Holy Thursday
- The pain and suffering of Jesus' journey to the cross and crucifixion on Good Friday
- The joy and hope that comes with the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday.

Each day this week, our learners shared these significant events of Holy Week with us in their dramatisation liturgies which included:

- Palm Sunday (Year 0-2 Hikurangi learners)
- Last Supper and Washing of the Feet (Year 3-4 Mangatawa learners)
- Stations of the Cross (Year 5-6 Kopukairoa learners)

Congratulations to our learners who presented their dramatisations with such courage, creativity, collaboration and with a Christlike attitude. It was awesome to see our tamariki demonstrating the 7Cs throughout these special liturgies. Thank you also to our kaiako and teaching teams who managed and prepared the learners so successfully. As we conclude Holy Week, we wait in hopeful anticipation of the joy of the Easter Resurrection. Wishing all our Suzanne Aubert whānau and community a very blessed and joyful Easter break.

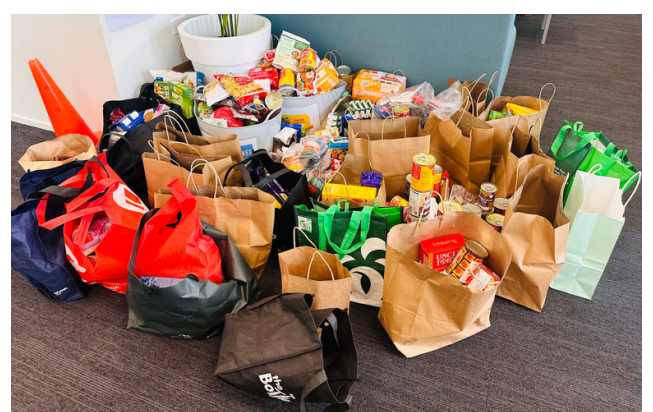
Ngā mihi nui

Anthony Mills (Principal - Tumuaki)



WAIPOROPORO 'PURPLE' LENTEN APPEAL DAY

On Friday 22 March, we celebrated Waiporoporo Day, a special day to show compassion during Lent and prepare our hearts for Holy Week. All of our learners and staff dressed up in purple and looked amazing! Thank you to all learners and whānau who gave so generously to our St Vincent de Paul food drive and Caritas donation appeal. The school reception was filled with bags of food and other non perishable items and have now been taken by St Vincent de Paul to deliver to local families in need.



IMPORTANT REMINDER - TEACHER ONLY DAYS Wednesday 19th - Friday 21st June

School will be closed for three staff only days as our teachers will be attending the National Catholic Education Convention in Wellington. This is an important opportunity for our team to engage in professional learning, grow in their faith and connect with the national Catholic school community. Our team will be staying at the Home of Compassion in Island Bay with the Sisters of Compassion where we will have the opportunity to be immersed in the spiritual home of Suzanne Aubert and her missionary work. More details will be released closer to the time. Please add these dates to your calendar as school will be closed during this time.

Congratulations to our recent Aubert Kid Award winners. These learners have demonstrated our 7 C's (Principles for Living and Learning) in their learning and friendships. Kia kaha tamariki!

A U B E R T K I D S



L - R: Gustavo, Delilah, Cloud, Iloe



L - R: Domenico, Sayla, Cam, Quinn (absent)



L - R: Ruairidh, Thomas, Esmée, Kayden



L - R: Clai, James, Laon, Olly

SCHOOL DRIVEWAY & CARPARK SAFETY

OUR DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE: This term we have observed an increase in the speed at which some of our school vehicles enter and exit our school driveway. This has also been noticed by school neighbours who are often walking near our driveway during pick up and drop off times. Please be aware that the entrance to our school is a driveway, not a road and needs to be respected as such. This means that pedestrians have the right of way to walk, bike or scooter across the entrance on the footpath before vehicles leave or enter the driveway. We are currently working with the Tauranga City Council Roadsafte Team to develop a solution to support this important traffic reminder.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS: When entering our school property, please use the pedestrian crossings provided on either side of the driveway. These are the safest accessways to enter school. Our school roll is growing and we are noticing our drop off and pick up times are getting busier. Please role model to your own and other children the safe use of pedestrian crossings. If you are using the drop off/pick up zone, please remain in your vehicle to collect your child. If you are coming into school, please park in the appropriate carpark and enter the school using the pedestrian crossings. Thank you for your support with this.

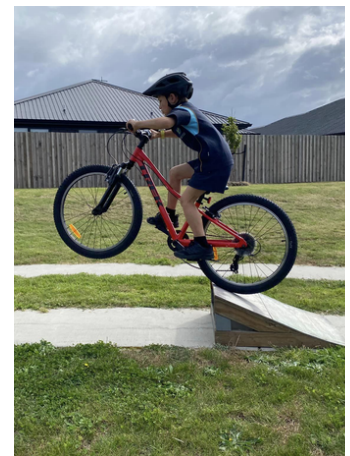


BIKE AND SCOOTER SAFETY

It is positive to see so many of our learners and families scootering and biking to school this year. It is a great way to stay active, socialise and reduce our carbon footprint on the environment. However, it is important that our learners and families are safe in doing so:

BIKING: If your child is biking to school, please ensure they wear a **HELMET**. This is a legal requirement in New Zealand.

SCOOTERING: If your child is scootering, please ensure they travel on the footpath and **NOT** on the road or cycle lane.



SCHOOL BELL TIME REMINDERS

- Please be aware of our school operational hours. These are from 8:30am to 2:30pm.
- Children are allowed to enter the classroom from 8am onwards. Please note that before 8am, there is not any onsite supervision for children as staff will be in meetings or preparing for teaching and learning during this time.
- Please make sure children arrive before 8:30am. This enables them to be a part of the important whānaungatanga time in their whānau class at the start of the day which includes attendance, prayer and setting of the daily expectations.
- Please collect your child as promptly after 2:30pm as you can. If you are running late, please let Maria know in the office.
- After 2:50pm, there is no supervision onsite as staff will be having meetings or preparing for teaching and learning.



TAURANGA PRIMARY SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL

“A WHOLE NEW WORLD”



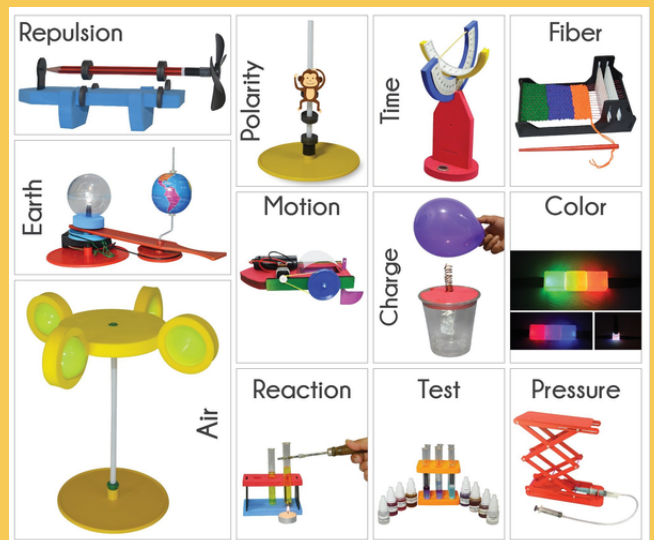
On 26th August 2024, Suzanne Aubert will be taking part in the annual Tauranga Primary Schools Music Festival at Baycourt Theatre. We have successfully entered this festival over the last 2 years. The theme this year is ‘A Whole New World’ and schools from around the Bay of Plenty will be performing songs from Disney musicals. At the beginning of term 2, we will be forming a choir to perform at the festival. Please note that this event is only for year 4 - 6 students. Children who are interested will need to commit to weekly practices and be able to attend on the night of 26th August. If your child is interested, practices will start early in term 2.



HOUSE OF SCIENCE • TE WHARE PŪTAIAO

Would your business like to sponsor a House of Science Membership?

House of Science kits have been developed to equip teachers across New Zealand to deliver hands-on science lessons in schools. The kits cover the whole primary science curriculum. Each kit comes fully equipped with five different science explorations around a theme (e.g. Energy, Forensics, Chemical Science, Climate Change, Magnetism) and there are over forty different kits to choose from. The hands-on kits use children’s natural curiosity to help demystify Science, and children absolutely love them! They also help to build scientific understanding, critical thinking and essential science skills. The kits focus on local community contexts and include te reo māori resources to support development of cultural identity.



Schools pay an annual membership to hire the kits across a term. We would like to purchase a membership for two terms this year to provide access to kits for our Hikurangi, Maungatawa and Kopukairoa learners. If you would like to find out more information, please contact Kirsten Miller: kmiller@suzanneaubert.school.nz

Special Catholic Character

A Message from our Director of Religious Studies



Dear Whānau,

We've just wrapped up Holy Week at Suzanne Aubert Catholic School, and we're excited to share some highlights with you.

Our students from Hikurangi, Mangatawa, and Kopukairoa classes have been busy bringing the stories of Holy Week to life. On Tuesday, Hikurangi learners acted out Jesus' special entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. On Wednesday, Mangatawa students showed us the humble moment when Jesus washed his disciples' feet and shared his last meal with them at the Last Supper. Lastly on Thursday, Kopukairoa learners took us through the journey of Jesus' suffering with the Stations of the Cross.

These dramatisations weren't just performances - they helped our learners understand the importance of Holy Week in a special way. We want to say a heartfelt thank you to all the students, teachers, and staff who put in a lot of effort to make these presentations come to life.

As we move forward into the Easter season, let's remember the messages of love, sacrifice, and hope that we've learned during Holy Week. Wishing you and your families a blessed Easter season!

Blessings, Amie-Lee Mills (DRS)

Parish Mass

Please note that Parish Mass is held at Suzanne Aubert at 8.30am every Sunday morning including Easter Sunday Mass this weekend. Everyone is most welcome to come and celebrate Mass together. We look forward to seeing you there.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD AND NECESSITIES DRIVE

For the past month, our kura has been collecting non perishable food items and other necessities for local families in need. Thank you to all families who have donated. St Vincent de Paul have collected this today.



HOLY WEEK LITURGIES Palm Sunday - Years 0-2

On Monday we hosted the first of our Holy Week dramatisation liturgies. The Year 0-2 Hikurangi learners told the story of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. They demonstrated great courage, creativity and a Christlike attitude in their presentation.



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The Last Supper and Washing of the Feet (Years 3 - 4)

Our Holy week liturgies continued on Tuesday with our year 3-4 Mangatawa learners' dramatisation of the story of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples and sharing the Last Supper with them at Passover. They demonstrated great creativity, courage, collaboration and a Christlike spirit. It was a very moving performance.



The Stations of the Cross (Y5 - 6)

Yesterday we hosted the final chapter of our Holy Week dramatisation liturgies. The Year 5-6 Kopukairoa learners presented Jesus' journey to the cross through the tradition of the Stations of the Cross. Thank you to our kaiako for your awesome preparation and to our school whānau for supporting these liturgies. Thank you also to Maria for taking such beautiful photos throughout this week!



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 2024 - 'THE READING GARDEN'

During the first week of next term (Monday 29 April - Friday 3rd May) we will be holding the annual Scholastic book fair at school to coincide with our Suzanne Aubert Bookweek. The school reception and boardroom will be transformed into a Book Fair Garden where children can come along and "catch the reading bug." The books will also be on display after Mass on Sunday 28 April and Sunday 5th May for grandparents and other parishioners to come along and have a look. It is a wonderful opportunity to purchase books at a great price and also to contribute to our school library. The overall amount spent at the bookfair will be converted into rewards for the school to purchase more books for the library and also classroom book sets. The learners will all have a chance to visit the book fair during school time as well as before and after school. The Bookfair will be open from 8am-3pm each day during Bookweek

BOOK FAIR GARDEN

Catch the reading bug!

When: Mon 29 Apr - Fri 2 May 2024

Where: Suzanne Aubert Catholic
School Administration Block

SCHOOL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Policies and procedures are important foundation documents to guide governance, management and operations of a school. At Suzanne Aubert, we use SchoolDocs as a portal to host these policies & procedures. Our school policies and procedures are available for all to view. They can be accessed via School Docs:

- 1) Click on the link to School Docs [here](#)
- 2) Search for Suzanne Aubert
- 3) Enter the username: suzanneaubert
- 4) Enter the password: empower
- 5) Use the left hand menu or search bar to locate the policies of interest

- Policies Under Review T1 2024
 - Te Tiriti o Waitangi
 - Board Responsibility
 - School Character / Special Character
 - Documentation and self-review policy



SPORTS UPDATE

As the Rippa Rugby and Flippa Ball seasons come to an end until term 4, we start looking towards winter sports. In terms 2 and 3 Suzanne Aubert will be entering teams in netball, basketball and hockey. If you would like to register your child / children for any of these sports, please complete the sports [registration form here](#) before Tuesday 2nd April.

Thank You

We would like to thank all of our coaches and managers for the time and effort they have put in to enabling our children to play extra curricular sport this term. We have had 6 rippa rugby teams and one flippa ball team competing in the local competition. One highlight of the term is our year 5-6 flippa ball team, the Suzanne Aubert Stingrays, making the finals of the B grade and finishing up second. An amazing result for a team that has not been playing together for long.



Top Schools

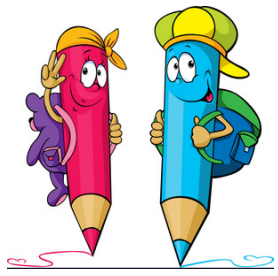
This term, 30 of our Year 4 - 6 learners took part in this year's Top Schools tournament in Paengaroa. We entered 2 Top Schools teams and a cheerleading team. This was a successful event with lots of fun, laughter, and learning. All of our learners developed new skills and they showed perseverance throughout the day. Thank you to Mr Moolman and Mrs Mills for managing our teams.



What's happening in Term 2?

- **Year 5-6 Basketball Starts** - Friday 10 May
- **Year 1-2 Basketball Starts** - Monday 13 May
- **Year 3 -4 Basketball Starts** - Tuesday 14 May
- **Amazing Race** - Thursday 16 May (Year 5-6)
- **Year 6 Netball Grading Tournament** - Saturday 18 May
- **Year 1 - 5 Netball Starts** - Saturday 25 May
- **School Cross Country** - Tuesday 28 May
- **Papamoa Cross Country Cluster** - Tues. 4 June (Year 4-6)
- **Funky Fun Day** - Wednesday 12 June (Year 1-2)
- **Year 3-4 Basketball World Cup** - Thursday 13 June
- **WBoP Cross Country Cluster** - Tuesday 18 June
- **Rugby Tackle 5's** - Wednesday 19 June
- **Year 5-6 Basketball World Cup** - Friday, 20 June
- **Bay of Plenty Cross Country Cluster** - Tuesday 25 June
- **Tough Guy and Gal Challenge** - Wednesday 3 July





Aubert Authors!

The Mystery of the Emperor Genie Olly Horton aged: 8

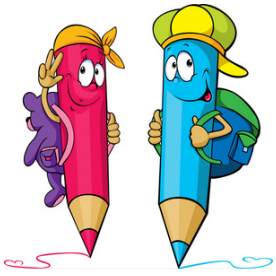
One hot summer morning two kids named Jack and Sophie were playing Roblox in their rooms before their Mum interrupted "we're going to the beach". "Yay!", screamed Sophie. They packed food, drinks, sunscreen, and sunhats so they were ready. "This will be so exciting," said Jack. "Don't forget our shovels", 'oh Yeah continued Jack, " I wish Dad was here", "Me too" Mum said sadly. "Now let's go."

"We are here" Yay - said the twins. "Hey Jack!" Said Sophie. " I bet we can dig an ultra ginormous hole" . One hour later... "This is super Jack" Said Jack. "One more," Said Sophie. ARRRRRRHHHHPOFFFF "Ow, my head....where are we?" "woah look at all of this, "we've hit the jackpot". "What is on that mountain of golden jewels?". "I have no idea let's see. We'll at least clean it" Said Jack. "Good idea". So they took a cloth and wiped it. WOOOOOOO SSSSSHHHHHH a purple smoke in the form of a tornado started flying out of the bottle. "It is I the almighty, all powerful Genie". "Oh my" Sophie Screamed astonishingly. Jack was too surprised to speak. He fell to the ground like a crashing boulder.

"I grant you five wishes" "Why Five?" Said Sophie "and not three like the movies?" "Well not everything is like the movies," spoke the Genie. "Well I guess that's true" replied Sophie. "My first wish is to get out of here" The Genie snapped his fingers and they teleported out. "Huh" where are we?" Exclaimed Jack. You're in your home town. "Great" said Jack. "Whats that drumming noise?" "Make way for the Prince of Dubai". Oh no! Not him..."who is he?"...

To be continued.





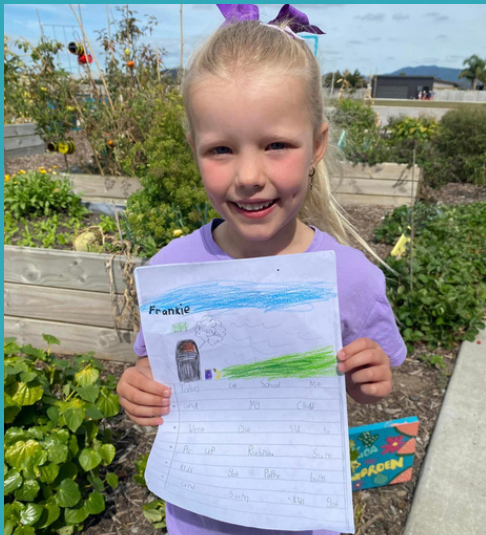
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FROM THE KETE KÖRERO



Shopping with Mum by Alfie Witton-Graham (year 1)

I went to the shop with my mum. I got some Coke and some ice cream.



Rubbish Duty by Frankie Toulmin (Year 2)

Today at school me and my class went outside to pick up rubbish. Some kids got paper bags and some kids got glass. A group of kids went outside to the big rubbish bin. We filled up 6 paper bags.



In Tyburn's cosy hug 'beneath the sunny sky
so blue in Aotearoa,
Baby redwoods sprout,
like dreams coming true.
While the Tyburn is quiet
we pray to you in Silence.
With prayer trees around,
they hold hands and sway,
Growing big and strong,
to play another day.

Their tiny roots wiggle,
like worms in the ground,
In Tyburn's special place,
where stories are found.
They giggle and dance, in the soil they roam,
Baby redwoods growing,
in their leafy home.

For years and years,
they'll stand tall and free,
In Tyburn's warm embrace, for all to see.
The native redwood stand so tall
and they let their leaves fall and fall.
So let's care for them, with love and prayer,

Baby redwoods growing, year by year.

FROM THE CREATIVE WRITINGS OF SUZANNE AUBERT SCHOOL, PAPAMOA, YEAR 6 STUDENTS (PICTURED ABOVE): LAUREN, HARPER, TUI, SOPHIE, NELLE, MIKEY AND DINO (ABSENT).



THE AUBERT WHĀNAU GROUP

Thank you to all families, friends and whānau who supported our recent hot cross bun fundraiser. A massive 850 packets were sold and \$1,020 was raised for the senior playground. A huge thank you to Koedee and the Aubert Whānau Group for all their hard work and organisation.

SAVE THE DATE - SCHOOL DISCO

The next exciting event on the calendar for the Aubert Whānau Group is a school disco. This will be held on Thursday 11 April, starting at 5pm for our junior students and then 5.30 - 6.30pm for all other students. There will be lollies, chips, juice and glow toys for sale and music run by our senior learners. If last year's disco is anything to go by, it will be an awesome event for our tamariki and a great way to finish term one.



PLAYGROUND UPDATE

We are extremely excited to announce that Phase One of the Senior Playground build has now been signed off and the installation will commence in June. There has been a lot of hardwork behind the scenes to make this happen and we are grateful for the support of our school, Aubert Whānau Group, parish and wider community in getting us to this point. We would also like to thank the Catholic Diocese of Hamilton and TECT for their generous contributions. Our learners are very excited that after two years of planning and fundraising, the senior playground will be constructed soon!



Phase two of the playground will include a flying fox, a vortex net and a basket swing and we will be continuing our fundraising efforts for this throughout the year. Any support or sponsorship for this will be greatly appreciated. Every donation helps - no matter how small! If you are able, we welcome your donation. All families that donate will have their name added to our donations board in the school grounds and on the school website. You can donate simply by making a transfer to the Suzanne Aubert Whānau account (details below). Remember you can claim a rebate back on any donation made. We really appreciate your ongoing generosity in supporting this initiative. With your assistance, we will reach our goal together!

Donate Now!

To donate, simply make a bank transfer to the Suzanne Aubert Catholic School PTFA account. Please use your name and 'school playground' as a reference.

Account Number:
12-3217-0223073-00

Sponsorship Option

We are also facilitating a sponsorship option for any families or businesses wanting to donate towards our school fundraising projects including the playground. These will be platinum, gold, silver and bronze sponsorship. If you are interested, please make an appointment to see our Principal Anthony Mills (principal@suzanneaubert.school.nz).

BOOK FAIR

CATCH THE READING BUG!

MONDAY 29 APRIL - FRIDAY 3 MAY



TEACHER IN THE Paddock

Teacher in the Paddock is now picking up children for after school care from Suzanne Aubert on a Monday and Tuesday at 2.30pm. In their After School Programme, children of all ages come together to be part of a creative learning experience, exploring outdoor areas in every kind of weather. There is always something new to see. A wonderful nutritious afternoon tea is provided, and at 5pm children leave to a drop off point in Papamoa. Alternatively parents can collect by 5.30pm. There are also Autumn holiday programmes available. For more information, please click [here](#).

For all enquiries plus more information please email info@teacherinthepaddock.co.nz



TERM DATES

TERM 2 2024



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DATES	EVENTS
Monday 29 April	First Day of Learning Term 2
Mon 29 Apr - Fri 3 May	Suzanne Aubert Bookweek and Scholastic Book Fair
Friday 3 May	Book Character Day (dress as your favourite book character)
Friday 10 May	Year 5-6 Basketball Competition starts
Monday 13 May	Little League (Year 1-2) Basketball Competition starts
Tuesday 14 May	Year 3-4 Basketball Competition starts
Saturday 18 May	Year 6 Netball - Grading Tournament
Saturday 25 May	Year 1 - 5 Netball Competition starts
Tuesday 28 May	School Cross Country at Wairakei Reserve
Wed 29 - Thu 30 May	Catholic Character Review Visitors onsite
Friday 31 May	Strike Percussion Visit (Year 3 - 6)
Monday 3 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday (school is closed)
Tuesday 4 June	Papamoa Cross Country Clusters (Year 4 - 6)
Wednesday 12 June	Orientation Meeting for New Families (9am)
Thursday 13 June	Year 3 - 4 Basketball World Cup
Wed 19 - Fri 21 June	Staff attending National Catholic Education Convention (School is closed)
Wednesday 19 June	Rugby 5s Tackle Tournament
Thursday 20 June	Year 5-6 Basketball World Cup
Friday 28 June	Matariki Public Holiday (School is closed)
Wednesday 3 July	Tough Guy and Gal Challenge
Friday 5 July	Last Day of Term 2

Please note: Some dates are flexible and subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.



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Thu 18th	Mt Maunganui Beach & Rock Pools
Fri 19th	Puketoki Reserve

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Protect tamariki and rangatahi from rheumatic fever. Get them tested for sore throats. If they have strep throat, it can lead to rheumatic fever if it is not treated quickly. Rheumatic fever is a serious illness because it can cause heart damage. Visit your doctor, nurse or hauora provider who can do a swab to check for strep throat. Free sore throat checks are also available at participating pharmacies in the Bay of Plenty for people aged 3-19 years old who meet the criteria.

To see if you are eligible and for pharmacies where you can get a free test, [visit](#): You can also call Healthline on 0800 611 116 for free health advice. For more on rheumatic fever, [visit](#):



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Tuesday - 16th



Wednesday - 17th



Thursday - 18th



Friday - 19th



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Tuesday - 23rd



Wednesday - 24th



Thursday - 25th



Friday - 26th



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