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Kia ora whānau,

Today we celebrated our Teacher Aides, Caretakers and Office staff as it is Support Staff week. Our Support Staff play a pivotal role within our kura and we could not be without them. We appreciate their mahi, support and dedication to our tamariki and teaching staff.

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome Whaea Thiesan Rodgers-Lobban to our staff, working in Room 15 with the youngest students in Roimata Toroa. She has recently returned from Australia to begin her career here in Aotearoa. She is a mother to a beautiful 2 year old daughter, Awatea - who is really looking forward to starting here at North Street School herself. Please make Whaea Thiesan welcome when you see her out and about.

Quick reminder of Pink Shirt Day tomorrow, with a gold coin donation going towards anti bullying and the Mental Health Foundation. Please encourage your tamariki to dress up in their finest pink attire as we will be doing our part to eliminate bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting kindness and inclusion. Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying.

Ka kite ano
Pa Paora – Deputy Principal



Thiesan Rodgers-Lobban

Tihei mauri ora
Ko Samoan rātou ko Ingarangi ko Kōtīrana ko Aerana te whakapaparangi mai. Engari,
Ko Taranaki te whenua tapu,
Ko Porirua te kāinga,
Ko Rangitūhi tōku maunga,
Ko Kenepuru tōku awa
Kei Te Papaioea ahau e noho ana,
Ko Thiesan tōku ingoa,
Tēnā koutou katoa.

A bit about me,

Kia ora, Talofa lava and Hello,

My name is Thiesan Rodgers-Lobban and I am very excited to be the teacher of room 15.

I am 23 years of age and am of Samoan and NZ/European decent. I was born in Te Whanganui-a-Tara (Wellington) however spent most of my childhood growing up in Taranaki. I studied at both Victoria University of Wellington and Massey University Palmerston North, and am returning home from a year in Melbourne, Australia.

I have a 2 year old daughter who takes up most of my time outside of work and school. If I am not spending time with my daughter, I am playing netball, listening to music, swimming at the beach or hanging out with whanau at home.

I am looking forward to getting to know the taura of room 15 and am excited about the learning journey that your tamariki and I will embark on together. I understand what a privilege it is to be a kaiako and the importance and impact that it can have on the tamariki. I am grateful to have the opportunity. I look forward to meeting and hearing from you throughout the year.

PINK SHIRT DAY
Muffi Day - wear Pink
Friday 17th May 2024
Gold Coin Donation
Speak UP
STAND TOGETHER
STOP BULLYING
KŌRERO MAI, KŌRERO ATU, MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA
FRIDAY 17 MAY 2024
JOIN THE MOVEMENT:
WWW.PINKSHIRTDAY.ORG.NZ
#PINKSHIRTDAYNZ
Mental Health Foundation
PINK SHIRT DAY

If you choose not to wear PINK then you must be wearing your school uniform.

2024 Term dates

Term 2
29th April – 5th July
King's Birthday - Monday 3rd June
Teachers only Day - Tuesday 4th June
Matariki – Friday 28th June

Term 3
22nd July – 27th September
Teachers only day – Monday 26th August

Term 4
14th October – 17th December
Labour day – 28th October
29th October – Teachers only day



NYLD 2024 - On Wednesday our Leadership Team went to **National Young Leaders Day** at The Regent. NYLD included motivational speakers from some amazing New Zealanders, question times, music and fun activities. There were five people that spoke at NYLD, Te kahukura Boynton, Brooke Neal, Nate Wilbourne, YAHYAH and William Pike himself. Personally, my favourite speaker was Te kahukura because as an 18 year old she pursued her dream of starting her first business called Maori Millionaire which was founded in 2022 and now she helps people to manage their money and goals. She also shared some inspiring words with us, **“Mindset is everything and that you can do anything you put your mind to”**. Ella Tatterton – Rm 6



