

Current School Data

Roll: 51

Girls: 29

Boys: 23

Teaching Staff:

Pirihira Brown – Principal / Teacher Year 1-3

Sarah Price – Principal Release Teacher

Rachell Wheeler – Teacher Year 3-5

Whare Clarke – Teacher Year 6-8

Sue Winwood– Administrator / Teacher's Aide

Nan Buissink – Religious Instruction

Angela Hossack – Reading Recovery / LST

Rata Brown – Van Driver

Jamie Wheeler - Caretaker

Board of Trustees

Matthew Stephens– Chair / Community liaison

Pirihira Brown – Principal

Rachell Wheeler – Staff Representative

Waimarie Hare – Parent Representative

Emma Acton – Parent Representative

Mary Corbett – Iwi Liaison (Co-opted)



Horohoro School is an excellent, vibrant rural school. We are proud that we have provided 91 years of excellent education.



Our staff and Board of Trustees extend a warm welcome to families looking for a well performing rural school for their children.

We have an open door policy and we welcome visits from families considering Horohoro School for their children.

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At Horohoro School we;

- are C.A.L.M (Courage, Achievement, Leadership and Manawanui)
- have small class sizes
- provide education for tamariki from Year 1 to Year 8
- have a values based programme delivered in our school every Friday called “Kiwi Can”
- are a “KidsCan” School
- provide free lunches in school, breakfast, milk and fresh fruit daily
- have whole school kapa haka and daily Te Reo Maori sessions in each individual classroom
- have miniball and rippa rugby teams ranging from Year 1 to 8
- deliver a literacy programme called “Reading Together”
- are retracing the steps of the Te Arawa waka mai Maketu ki Tongoriro
- have reading recovery for our junior students
- are a PB4L school
- have a swimming pool with a cover
- partake in interschool sports days, Jack Te Nahu speech competition with Upper Atiamuri and Ngakuru School
- have a great home in school partnership with our whanau and hapu



School description

Horohoro School is a full primary school situated 15km SW of Rotorua. It is presently graded U2 with a decile rating of 2. There are currently 53 students.

There are currently 3 mainstream classrooms, an administration building, swimming pool and two garages situated behind the school buildings for storage and P.E gear, a reading recovery teaching space and “Taimona”.

The school employs a principal, three fulltime classroom teachers, a principal release teacher 0.5, a reading recovery teacher 0.2 as well as a 0.8 teacher aide and 0.2 secretary (one employee).

NELI

The New Entrant Learning Initiative is a unique programme that takes place in our school wharepuni 'Taimona'.

We aim to prepare our tamariki for the junior classroom by teaching them foundation oral language, literacy, numeracy and independent learning skills.

The tamariki feel at home in their special place, it is cosy and warm and creates a sense of belonging with the small group of children. Taimona allows the children to work in a quiet, peaceful place especially for them. Special toys and resources are kept in Taimona for them to play with and learn from. In 2021 eight children (approx.) will take part in the NELI programme. The boost to their learning is invaluable and sets them up to be successful learners when they enter the junior classroom full time.

Our marvellous kaiako, Whaea Sue provides a positive and caring learning environment for our tamariki to explore this new learning pathway. Through hands-on activities, tamariki are provided with experiences that are able to be transferred into real life.

Large and small motor skills are developed and values are taught so our tamariki can become independent learners in our school.

The children spend the morning in Taimona, then join the main junior school class - Hinengawari - in the afternoons each day.

Hinengawari – Year 1- 2

In Hinengawari we have small classroom numbers. At present we have eleven amazing tamariki aged 5 to 7 (Year 1 and 2) Due to our small class numbers, we are able to work for longer periods of time with our reading, writing and mathematics groups. This has been very beneficial for our tamariki, as we are able to deliver an in-depth literacy and numeracy programme that is specifically targeted to their learning needs.

Kearoa – Year 3-5

Our class is the namesake of the marae at the foot of our school so our class always strives for excellence in order to represent Kearoa’s name well.

usually have around 22 students in Kearoa which includes Year Three to Year Five students. A small class size enables me to build relationships with all of my students and co-construct learning opportunities that excite and motivate my learners.

Pokaitu – Year 6-8

Pokaitu is the senior classroom at Horohoro School. In our class, you will be a part of a caring and friendly whanau. We work hard to achieve our learning objectives. We provide leadership throughout the school with examples in kapa haka, sports events and leading tuakana teina learning programmes.

Pokaitu is attractive and inviting, and includes a full kitchen and senior bathroom. Our senior students organise our daily breakfast, help to coach junior sports teams and monitor students on our school vans. We have a Prefect system where you are recognised as a school leader that incorporates our school values Courage, Achievement, Leadership and Manawanui. All Prefects are rewarded and wear a Prefects vest.