



Te Kura o Puhinui  
Warkworth School

## Miro (C4) Kaiako/Teachers

### Meet the Team

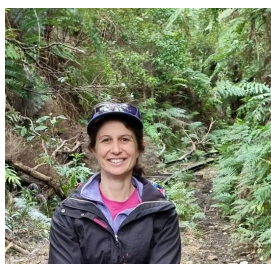


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Kia ora koutou, e te whānau. My name is Chelsea Sigley, and I am excited to lead a team of amazing and collaborative teachers this year. We are looking forward to connecting with you and your wonderful tamariki.

Having relocated to Snells Beach from West Auckland last year, I've enjoyed getting to know my new community, exploring the local beaches, and being closer to my family.

Since 2014, I've been teaching at Waikowhai Intermediate, where I've also overseen the school library and yearbook team. Last year, I found joy in teaching at Warkworth Primary School, Year 2. I'm now thrilled to embark on a new journey in the Senior School, teaching Year 4. I look forward to connecting with my learners and their whānau this year.



**Andrea Hawtin**  
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Kia ora koutou, my name is Andrea Hawtin, and I am delighted to be a teacher in Miro Community again this year.

I grew up in the Bay of Islands and having moved locally last year, I am enjoying being closer to family and exploring the Kowhai Coast. I enjoy spending time outside with friends and family on-land or in and around the water. This summer has been wonderful.

Previously, I have taught Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6. I am looking forward to getting to know you and collaborating with and supporting our students in their learning journey this year.



**Bonnie Maginley**  
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Kia Ora,

I have lived and worked in Warkworth for over 20 years. My children have all gone through both Warkworth School and Mahurangi College, so I have strong connections to the schools in our area. Prior to teaching here at Te Kura o Puhinui I taught at Mahurangi College.

As a family we all enjoy spending our time on the water, and participating in a range of sports on land, water and snow. I come from a large family, and really love spending time with all of them. They keep me busy and very grounded!

I am really passionate about working with and supporting our students to be ACTIVE learners and am looking forward to getting to know you all a bit more throughout Term 1.

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# Miro (C4) Community

## Pānui/Notice - Term 1 2024

### **Welcome**

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all our learners and their whānau. It has been lovely to meet and connect with everyone. Below is our learning focus for Term 1.

### **Project Based Learning - Tūrangawaewae (Our Place to Stand)**

Tūrangawaewae is a powerful Māori concept, often translated as 'a place to stand.'

Tūrangawaewae represents places where we feel empowered and connected. It serves as our foundation, our place in the world, and our home.

The focus for this term is to understand that Māori conducted skilled and purposeful navigation to reach New Zealand. Our learners will be encouraged to:

- extend their knowledge of our community, in particular the significant landmarks.
- discover the importance of how Ngāti Manuhiri connect to these places.
- consider how past technologies involved in navigation are used today.
- demonstrate their new understandings of navigation in a creative way.

During this learning journey our key questions will be:

How did Maori use natural features to navigate?

How is this knowledge still used today?

### **Literacy**

The focus will be on summarising texts, recording key ideas from the texts we read, and making connections with the new information acquired during reading. We will craft creative writing based on Purakau (Māori myths and legends) to illustrate how stories help us understand what happened in the past.

### **Mathematics**

Our two major areas of focus are Number and Statistics. Students will enhance their additive and multiplicative thinking. They will actively engage in statistical investigations by collecting data, counting and recording tally marks, creating graphs, summarising results, making judgments, and solving problems based on the trends indicated by the graphs.

### **Physical Education**

As part of our Physical Education programme we will be covering Aquatics (Swimming), and developing and practising our skills in striking and fielding.

### **The Arts - Visual Art**

Students will create self portraits using a variety of mixed media to express themselves and demonstrate who they are.

### **Mindfulness**

We will be focusing on students' wellbeing by following a programme called Pause, Breathe, Smile. For more information visit the Pause, Breathe, Smile website:

<https://pausebreathesmile.nz/>

### Important Days

Library - Every Friday

Swimming - We are extremely fortunate to have the opportunity to continue to develop our students' water confidence. Our instructional swimming lesson days are as follows:

**Week 3**- Monday 12 February, Tuesday 13 February, Thursday 15 February, Friday 16 February

**Week 4**- Monday 19 February, Wednesday 21 February

**Week 5**- Monday 26 February, Wednesday 28 February, Thursday 29 February

**Week 6**- Tuesday 5 March, Wednesday 6 March

### Reminders

- Sun hats are a requirement every day in term 1.
- Raincoats need to be in bags daily.
- Pack healthy lunches and snacks for your child.
- Only water in drink bottles, no juice or juice boxes please.
- Please name everything, including drink bottles, lunch boxes, shoes and hats.
- Book bags need to be at school daily.

### Important Dates to add to the calendar:

Week	Event	Date
3	Powhiri - Welcome new students and staff	Friday 16 February: 2.15pm
5	Swimming Sports	Thursday 29 February
9	Photo Life	Wednesday 27 March
9	Good Friday	Friday 29 March
10	Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday	Monday 1 April & Tuesday 2 April
11	Learning Conversations 3:30-6:30pm	10th & 11th April
11	Last day of Term 1	Friday 12 April

Please feel free to connect with your child's guardian teacher if you have anything you would like to discuss.

Ngā mihi nui,

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