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Being the Best We Can Be

Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome back to school for Term 2 2024. We hope you all had great holidays with your children.

Classroom Certificates Term 1

Congratulations to these children who received classroom certificates at the Celebration of Learning last term.

Kanuka

Beau: for writing interesting creative stories

Helena: for always being focused and presenting neat and tidy work

Loki: for always listening when instructions are given

Madison: for always being focussed and presenting neat and tidy work.

Tarata

Ella and Eva: for coming into class and putting their lunchbox and bookbags away

Archer: for having a love of maths and requesting more

Tanisha: for being a reliable Kaiawhina in the classroom

Arlo: for his enthusiasm at school and showing pride in his work

Ferrymead Notices (Thursday 16th May)

These notices have gone out via Hero as well as given to children. If you can help, please return asap. If you need another notice please contact Ursula.

Kind regards

Yvonne Blair

Principal / Tumuaiki



PTA AGM

Hi there

We are going to have our AGM on the 15th of May at 7.00pm in the staff room .

WHAT IS THE PTA

The PTA is a group that all parents and teachers who are involved in the school automatically belong to. The PTA fundraises for those extra bits for our children that the ministry doesn't provide for.

Last Year we paid for lunch up at Hamner on the Big Day Out, the Ski and Skate Day, half of the fees for basketball, touch and mini ball, the Matariki breakfast as well as the Welcome Back to School Dinner. The PTA paid for 1 of the TVs in the classrooms and the new cups that were presented at the end of the year .We also put some money per child towards the camp.

HOW DO WE FUNDRAISE?

We cater for events e.g Hurunui Theatre group. We have a glow sticks stall at the local Guy Fawkes Night and lots of other fun activities.

We would love to hear your ideas on Fundraisers for our school!

We have thought about matching our name to the school now we have Manawa the Moa.

We could be the Marvellous Moas or Merry Moas or you might have another idea for a refreshed name. Come along and tell us about it! This is a great way to meet new parents. We are friendly and sociable.

SO PLEASE PUT THIS IN YOUR CALANDAR AND COME ALONG ON THE 15TH. WE WILL SUPPLY THE NIBBLES. WE WELCOME YOU AND ANY NEW IDEAS (change is good)

Deb Dellaway and the PTA team.

From HERO

This term is another busy one. We welcome Pauline White to the Kanuka Class. Pauline will teach Monday Wednesday Thursday and Friday (odd weeks) and Monday Wednesday Thursday (Even Weeks) Rebecca Blyth will teach the other days. In Term Three we welcome back Liz Grigg who will replace Rebecca in the Kanuka Class. BUT do not worry Rebecca will still be teaching in Term 3 in the Tarata Room releasing Jenni on an afternoon and she will be at school for a morning as a 1-1 teacher.

This term we see Chris Dickie joining us as a teacher aide in Kanuka Class and Shane Shilpa Sahai who will be a 1-1 teacher aide in the Tarata Room.

Our inquiry learning moves from early Maori to the early settlers in the 1800's. We have a trip to Ferrymead on Thursday 16th May. A transport request will be going out tomorrow as this is in Week 3. We need to transport the whole school. The following week Canterbury Museum will come to our school to run some activities relating to the 1800's.

We have Rihari coming to support Bridgett with Kapa haka. Rihari will enhance the work that Bridgett has done plus provide extra support for the boys.

We will begin to practice our cross country running as the whole school will be involved in this in Week 7. We have a TOD this term and two long weekends with King's Birthday weekend and Matariki Day. Hero has our parent calendar now linked to it, as with the website. As long as the weather is good we will continue with wheels day on a Friday - however if it is too wet or the court gets too icy we will have to finish this for winter.

Our spinning frame is now up and running thanks to the Board and Kate Valley. I will be applying to other places for further funding to begin our final playground area.

This term I will be sending out a consultation survey on Health and Wellbeing as well as beginning to consult for our new strategic plan as required by the MOE.

Please remember notices etc will now come through Hero. I believe if you have not got the phone app then you will still receive this information by email. Although I highly recommend downloading the app.

It's good to be back to school and the weather is amazing.



Tarata Room enjoying some new resources purchased in the Holidays

School Calendar 2024

Term 2 May

- 16th – Ferrymead Visit **
- 22nd – Canterbury Museum Visit to Waipara School
- 23rd BOT Meeting
- 29th – Assembly 2:30
- 31st – TOD School CLOSED
- June 3rd – Kings Birthday School CLOSED
- 11th Small Schools Cross Country pp 13th **
- 14th Playhouse Theatre Omihi **
- 18th Kowai Cross Country pp 20th 4pm
- 26th Canterbury Cross Country
- 27th BOT Meeting TBC
- Matariki Breakfast
- 28th Matariki School CLOSED
- July 2nd – Preschool morning
- 3rd – Celebration of Leaning 2:15
- 4th – House Reward
- 5th EOT

**These dates require parent assistance with transport and supervision. Please mark them on your calendar and assist where possible.