

Dear Parents, Whanau and Caregivers

Kia Ora Koutou

5th August 2020

Last week we had our first school assembly of the year. It was an amazingly special time. The children sang with enthusiasm, had exceptional listening manners and just enjoyed being together. The atmosphere of togetherness was so strong that a senior student said "Matua it is like a family reunion."

Contact details reminder

If you have a change in phone number or address can you please let the office know. It is important that we have a minimum of 2 phone numbers (but 3 is better). This are then able to reach someone if your child is sick, absent and sometimes not picked up after school.

School Photos

On Friday 14th August, Masterpiece Photography will come to school to take class photos. They will also take individual or family photos which need to be ordered and paid for by 13th August. There are extra envelopes at the office if you still wish to order.

Teacher Only Day Teacher Only Day Teacher Only Day

On Friday 21 August, school will be closed for all children as teachers will be involved in professional development. Mel Churton, psychologist from the Ministry of Education is leading a day called "Understanding Behaviour, Responding Safely". This is a recommended session from the Ministry to support teachers with the complex behaviours that schools sometimes need to deal with.

Tuakana and Teina Team Cross Country

The Teina and Tuakana Team Cross Country is taking place Friday 14 August 2020.

You are welcome to support your child at the following approximate start times:

Year 6 Boys - 1.50 pm Year 6 Girls - 1.55 pm Year 5 Boys - 2.00 p m Year 5 Girls - 2.05 pm
Year 4 Boys - 2.10 pm Year 4 Girls - 2.15 pm Year 3 Boys - 2.25 pm Year 3 Girls - 2.30 pm

Please make sure children have a drink bottle and appropriate running clothes.

Dates To Remember

Friday	14 August	School Photos
Friday	21 August	Teacher Only Day
Tuesday	25 August	Cluster Cross Country (Y4-6)
Friday	25 September	Term 3 Ends

Safety at the Gate

Please do not park on yellow lines, across driveways, on the grass verge or in the school carparks. In the last week we have had several near misses outside school. I will be asking the Community Constable to do some drivebys.

BOOKCLUB

Last orders to the office
Thursday 6th August 3pm



Regards, Kay Cleaver, Principal.



Please enjoy some writing from Room 10 ☺

Dear Gerald

I am very sorry that I laughed at your dancing. Maybe we could be friends. We could be partners at the next Jungle Dance.

From Lion

by Aybel

If I was a Karearea I would hunt for worms and rabbits. If I was a ruru I would sleep all day and hunt at night.

by Stone

I was playing with my Hotwheels. I had fifty Hotwheels and I got nine more. Now I have fifty-nine Hotwheels. I got them for the day.

by C.J.

What am I? I live in Africa on the savannahs. I eat acacia leaves.

I have a long neck. I have a tongue that is blue. I am 5.5 metres tall. I can live to 25 years old.

by Cody

On Eid I went to my cousins' house and watched TV. I played and ate cookies, I ate chicken and drank a milkshake. We washed and we played all day.

by Nasteha

If I was a kea I would look upside down in people's car windows and scratch their tents. I might scratch them! I would eat worms.

by Aleena

If a giraffe came to school, I think it would be very stupid and terrible. It would pop out poo that would stink and make very big footprints. Teachers would have to grow new grass. We would have to stay at home all year until the grass has grown. That would be like the holidays or lockdown has started again. If that really happened I would be very happy, but sad at the same time. I would miss school a little bit and miss my friends. I hope a giraffe does not come to our school.

by Levi