



Kaipaki News



Dear Parents, Carers and Whānau,

Even taking into account that the first two weeks of school only comprised of six school days in total, it is hard to believe that Week 3 is all but over. It has been such a pleasure to see all our wonderful learners embrace the new challenges of 2018. A really big credit to them I think is the reduction in our lost property pile this term so far – an indication of their growth in responsibility for self. They've certainly set the bar high!

A very warm welcome to Aurorah-Rae and her Whanau who have joined the Wonderful World of Ruma Weri this week.

Congratulations:

Last Friday at our assembly we recognised the following pupils with certificates:

Friday 9th February:

Ruma Weri:

Ollie Wakeling - For making such a great start to school.

Luke Hughes - For making an amazing start to the year and listening so well to Mrs Ellis.

Ruma Rau:

Nina Balsom - For being a part of Ruma Rau.

Te Aorangi - For having a positive, diligent approach to his learning.

Ruma Peka:

Keisuke Tomita – For supporting and helping the new Ruma Peka students

Lachlan Harvey-Price – For supporting and helping the new Ruma Peka students.

Ruma Tiwai:

Daniel Hughes – For excellent effort in writing.

Kaiden Kite – A great start to 2018 in Ruma Tiwai.

Parent Interviews:

It was wonderful to see so many families at our Parent Interviews/Meet the Teacher sessions on Tuesday night. We appreciated the opportunity to learn more about your child and to continue developing our partnership with you as your child's first teacher. Our next round of family/teacher discussions will be held early in Term 3, with written reports preceding them towards the end of Term 2.

We really value our partnership with you in ensuring our students have the very best learning opportunities at Kaipaki School - please feel free to contact us via email or message us directly on class cell phones any time.

Kaipaki School Values:

RESPECT. INTEGRITY. EXCELLENCE.



Waipa Films

You may have noticed some familiar faces appearing in Waipa Council's recent advertisements and on their Facebook page. Yes, we have some real-life movie stars in our midst. The following links have the sessions which were filmed in Ruma Rau last year:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLV1Xs08GmtwzRCnIZdEAnSMxb-GHvWddXR>

or www.facebook.com/Waipadistrictcouncil.

More filming is currently underway in Cambridgewood. Watch this space for updates ...

2018 Camp - 26th - 28th March

Last week our camp newsletters hopefully made their way via a school bag near you. A huge thank you to all those who have already returned their completed forms and organised payments with us. Camp is such a special time for us to join together as a school community, exploring new environments, facing exciting challenges and learning new things. In the next few weeks leading up to camp there will no doubt be a constant stream of information and forms coming at you – we will endeavour to put as much as possible on our school website and Facebook page to ensure that information is easily accessible. Please also feel free to contact us at any stage if you have any questions related to camp – health and safety; programmes; dietary; or financial queries.

Remember to get your camp forms in by 23rd February.



Electives

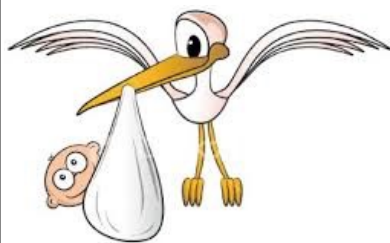
We are still hopeful of getting our electives programme up and running within a couple of weeks to enable us at least three sessions before the end of term. We would very much like our community to be involved with us in offering our students options of activities that they may not usually have at school. Please let me know as soon as possible if you have a couple of hours every alternate Friday afternoon and would like to share your hobbies with us.

Some verrrryyy exciting news.....

It is with much pleasure and excitement that we announce that Mrs Jade Coutts and Mr Julian Coutts are growing their family - expecting their third child in August this year.

Congratulations from all of us!

Jade will take maternity leave from the beginning of Term 3 – we will advise details regarding Ruma Rau's relief teacher as soon as possible.



PMP

This year we have introduced a new physical education programme for our junior classrooms. Our Perceptual Motor Programme (otherwise known as PMP) provides opportunity for students to develop: hand/eye co-ordination; memory space; eye tracking; crossing the central line; and spatial awareness. Language and movement are integral parts of this exciting programme which we believe will support our learners in the classroom in many ways including eye tracking for reading, hand/eye co-ordination for writing, and positional vocabulary in mathematics. Over the year we hope to extend our equipment resources to enable strong growth of these vital skills. Mr Coutts and Josh have regular time-slots with Ruma Werí and Ruma Rau.

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Swimming

With the imminent closure of the Cambridge Town pools the demand on St Peter's Swimming Pool has increased dramatically. Unfortunately, yesterday we found out that this means there is only space in their calendar for our Rural Schools Swimming Sports – no solo Kaipaki School event this year at St Peters. Additionally, the swimming academy is unable to provide us with our usual block swimming lessons this term due to high demands on their coaches. We are currently doing our best to sort some alternative coaching options and possible venues for our school swimming sports. We will communicate dates and information as soon as we are able to make arrangements.



Internet Safety

In our recent Community Survey, completed on-line late 2017, 75 % of respondents indicated their interest in learning more about keeping their children safe on the internet (21% answered maybe). Next week we are really fortunate to have John Parsons (probably New Zealand's leading expert in Cybersafety) visiting the Cambridge learning community. On Monday 19th February, John will be leading sessions with our students (together with Roto-o-rangi School pupils) covering age specific information.

Year 7/8 9.00 – 10.00

Year 4-6 10.00 – 11.00

Year 1-3 11.15 – 12.15

After school the teachers will all head into Cambridge for a combined staff meeting with colleagues in other schools where we will learn best ways to promote internet safety and digital citizenship.

Monday through Thursday nights, 19 – 22 February John will also be presenting parent information evenings at different schools across our community. Unfortunately, the dates for these workshops were incorrectly advertised in Your Cambridge News.

The correct details are:

Monday 19 February Goodwood School Hall

Tuesday 20 February Cambridge East School Hall

Wednesday 21 February Cambridge Middle School Hall

Thursday 22 February Leamington School Hall

Please note that you are welcome to attend any meetings you like – open invitation to any parents in the Cambridge Community. These meetings are free.

New Sign In/Out

We have a new sign in/sign out tablet system. If you are dropping your child off after the school bell, or picking them up early, please make sure you use the tablet to record it for Health and Safety purposes.



Keep your children safe online

Cambridge Principals' Association presents...

John Parsons



Renowned Internet Risk and Safety Expert

John will give **you** the **skills** and **knowledge** necessary to keep your child or teen **safe** in their digital world.

Monday 19 February Goodwood School Hall
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All presentations start at **7.00 pm** and last approx one hour.

All parents are welcome to attend any session.

Free of charge – gold coin donation welcome

*content of parent evenings not suitable for children under 13

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Communication with School

Maintaining communication with our families is a key aspect of school. We use a variety of electronic and paper methods to keep in touch.

Our school office is manned from 9.00am-2:30pm Mon-Fri.

Facebook is a useful way of keeping track of the wider aspects of school life. We update this regularly and send notifications of important/urgent matters such as issues with the bus.

Emails are another way we keep in touch, with newsletters e-mailed every 2 weeks (usually!) on Thursday/Friday. Please inform us of any changes in email address so we make sure they arrive in your inbox.

You can now also contact the office, classroom teachers and the school bus using the following mobile numbers. **Please call or text them directly in the first instance if you have a question or query relating to your child/en.**

Ruma Tiwai (Mrs Garvitch)

022 042 2309

Ruma Peka (Mrs Marsh)

022 042 2318

Ruma Rau (Mrs Coutts)

022 042 2317

Ruma Weri (Mrs Ellis)

022 096 6589

School Office (Mandy)

022 690 5174

School Bus (Bianca)

027 918 6288

What's Happening Soon: Kaipaki Diary

2018

19-23 Feb	- John Parsons visiting Cambridge
12 Mar	- Rural Schools Triathlon
19 Mar	- Rural Schools Swimming Sports
26-28 Mar	- Whole School Camp to Waitomo
29 Mar	- Teacher Only Day
30 Mar	- Good Friday
2-3 April	- Easter Monday & Tuesday
13 Apr	- Last day of term
30 Apr	- Start of Term 2
6 Jul	- End of Term 2
23 Jul	- Start of Term 3
28 Sept	- End of Term 3
15 Oct	- Start of Term 4
17 Dec	- Last Day of School Year