



# Kaipaki News



## ***Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Kaipaki***

***Welcome back to school for the last 8 school days of Term 1 after our Easter break. We extend a very warm Kaipaki welcome to Ella-Jay Hazelton & Belle Stanley and their families.***

***Sadly, it is that time of year when we say farewell to both our Clarkin families as they head for the warmer climates of the United Kingdom and France in the near future. We look forward to (hopefully) welcoming you all back home to Kaipaki later in the year.***

## **Electives**

This Friday sees the last of the Electives sessions for the term – a reminder that students stay in the same group for 5 more sessions on alternate Friday afternoons next term, starting week 2.

**Ruma Peka writers have recorded their thoughts about their Electives experiences:**

On Fridays we do electives. I do card making with Bianca and Bronny. We made a unicorn on a card, it was purple and pink and I had fun doing it. - **Jazmine Rae**

At electives I did science. We used milk, food colouring and washing liquid. When we added the washing liquid it made the colour split apart. - **Lachlan Harvey-Price**

On Friday it was electives, we made chocolate chip cookies. We got to keep a whole bag of cookies to take home. - **Kylie Andrews**

At electives I did Lego. There were challenges. We had to build a bridge, pyramid or a tower. My team picked a tower. We tried to have a pattern to it and it kept falling so we built a bridge instead and worked to see how many cars it could hold. - **Danny Taylor**

I did sport with Mr Coutts. We played soccer. We practised kicking the ball in pairs then we got to play an actual game. The group I was in won the game. - **Felicity George**

I was doing garden science. We were doing soil versus soil with skin and bone, (skin and bone is a type of fertiliser). We planted onions in it and were guessing to see which one would grow faster. Now we are waiting to see. - **Taylor Phillipps**

## **Winter Sports**

As the summer Cricket and Swimming season draws to a close, we find ourselves busy preparing for an exciting winter of sporting action at Kaipaki. Mr Coutts and Mandy have been hard at work preparing teams and locating willing coaches for the season. We are super proud of Kaipaki's involvement in a number of sporting codes including rugby, football, netball, and hockey. Please contact Julian ([Julian@kaipaki.school.nz](mailto:Julian@kaipaki.school.nz)) or Mandy ([office@kaipaki.school.nz](mailto:office@kaipaki.school.nz)) as soon as possible if your child would like to play any of these sports this year. Kick off for most codes is around the 5<sup>th</sup> of May.

## Camp

What a tremendous camp we had in Waitomo last week. We were treated to some wonderful weather, fantastic food, awesome accommodation, amazing activities, unforgettable connections with nature, and a camp concert that would rival "New Zealand's Got Talent" any day. A huge thank you to all the parents (and grandparents) who supported us on camp (all 20 of you). Camp simply couldn't happen without your help and never-ending supply of energy. We appreciate that many sacrifices in terms of work and other family commitments had to be made to enable you to spend time learning with us. We are so very lucky to have such a supportive and caring community – a full BOT contingent on camp and an enormous family adult-representation are truly things to celebrate. Thank you.

I'd like to thank the terrific Kaipaki Team who dedicated many hours of dedication to ensuring camp was the success it was. To Natalie, Carolyn, Jody and Mandy – to whom the lion's share of the organisation fell to – we are so grateful to you all for your thoroughness and great organisational skills. A special thank you also to Jade and Josh for their expertise in leading the camp concert – a great juggling act it certainly was with over 30 items on the night. Also to Julian, Bronny and Bianca who worked many hours way beyond their paid quota supporting our learners – thank you!

And last but definitely not least to our incredible Kaipaki learners – thank you for making Waitomo such an enjoyable and memorable camp. We hope that you will hold on to the special memories you made for years to come, and reflect on the many achievements with pride. We were all so immensely impressed with the self-management, resilience, and total engagement we saw throughout the three days. Real living examples of our school values in action:

R = Respect

I = Integrity

S = Self (control; belief; management)

E = Excellence









## Communication

We truly appreciate all the wonderful feedback we have received about camp – the emails, letters and conversations have been awesome. Thank you all very much for taking the time to put pen to paper so to speak – your feedback is so important to us. We would also like to thank everyone for their diligence in notifying us of student absences and dedication to working together to solve any issues in a timely, pro-active manner. It is true that Together We Achieve More! A reminder that teachers can be reached on classroom mobiles during work hours (8 – 5pm) and also contacted via email at these times. Please be aware that these devices are not checked outside these times to ensure the health and well-being of our fab team is not compromised. Please also note my new phone number below – I will try to splatter it over all the emails and newsletters we send out in the near future.

## **Anzac Day**

This year Anzac Day falls within the last week of our School holidays on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April. The Civic Commemorative Service held in the Cambridge Town Hall at 9am, is followed by a wreath laying ceremony at the cenotaph, which groups are invited to participate in.

If you are keen for your child to represent Kaipaki School in the placing of a wreath please email Kim ([principal@kaipaki.school.nz](mailto:principal@kaipaki.school.nz)) by the end of the term.



## **New Classroom Update**

**It won't happen overnight ... but it will happen. Yippee!**

**Over the holidays we hope to have some preparation work occur in readiness for the construction of our new classroom.**

**This may mean that our school looks a little different over the coming months.**

## **Holidays**

A reminder that the last day of term is next Friday 13 April.

School will finish at the normal time of 3pm with bus routes running as usual.

School will re-open on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

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## EASTER

I woke up on Easter morning and when I went to the window I couldn't see that much because of the dark. But I could just make out the shape of a bunny. I quickly got into warm gear and ran outside. I was about to see the Easter Bunny. I followed him into some thick grass. Then I suddenly dropped. I gasped when I fell on a cushion. There in front of me was the most amazing sight. A whole underground factory making chocolate eggs. But one machine was broken. "Oh dear," one bunny was saying. I helped him and he gave me lunch (that was nice of him). Then I saw something spraying eggs in the air. I walked over and said to the bunny, "Is your machine ok?" He said, "No, it did this last Easter and I can't fix it." So I helped and it was fixed. Then a huge bunny came and said, "You have fixed our machines and I present this medal to you for helping us." I was so pleased I got that medal. The big bunny said, "It is time for you to go home." So he whizzed me away and I told my Mum and Dad. But they didn't believe me so I showed them the medal and ran outside because Mum said it was time for an Easter egg hunt.

HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE!

By Nina Balsom

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### What's Happening Soon: Kaipaki Diary 2018

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