



Kaipaki News



Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Kaipaki

Term 1 has simply flown by and here we are on the last day of term, reflecting on what has been a very busy and successful term, with our annual whole school and our new classroom taking shape just two of the many highlights.

We extend a very warm Kaipaki welcome to **Tessa Wallace** who has joined the wonderful world of Ruma Rau recently.

We are looking forward to learning with you Tessa.

School Events:

Classroom Update

Our new classroom continues to progress well, and it looks likely that we will be looking at a mid-May move in date. Over the holidays it is hoped that the kitchen and most of the interior painting will be finished. Services including electricity and drainage are also planned to move forward over the holidays. We intend to have an official opening of our fabulous new space when it is completed...watch this space early next term for information around this.

2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR (At a glance)

12 Apr	- Last day of term - School finishes at 3pm
29 Apr	- Start of term 2
1 May	- Year 1/2 Netball Starts
2 May	- EPro3 Challenge
4 May	- Saturday Rugby & Netball Starts
10 May	- Friday Hockey Starts
16 May	- School Disco
17 May	- Pink Shirt Day
5 Jun	- Tough Guy & Gal Challenge
12-15 Jun	- Fielddays
14 Jun	- Teacher Only Day
21 Jun	- Rural Winter Sports
28 Jun	- Town Winter Sports
5 Jul	- Last day of term 2 - School finishes at 3pm
22 Jul	- Start of term 3

Principal - Kim Budd
027 627 7373

School Office (Mandy)
022 690 5174

School Sports Co-ordinator (Julian)
027 239 1236

School Bus (Bianca)
027 918 6288

Ruma Tiwai (Mrs Garvitch)
022 042 2309

Ruma Peka (Mrs Marsh)
022 042 2318

Ruma Weri (Mrs Coutts)
022 042 2317

Ruma Kākano (Mrs White)
027 239 7347

Ruma Rau (Mrs Ellis)
022 096 6589

Fieldays

Yes it's that time of year again ... The 51st Fieldays are only 60 odd sleeps away (12th - 15th June). This event is a great opportunity for you to join in the fun of helping run the Fieldays Courier Service as part of our annual PTA fundraiser. Through our school website you can volunteer for a shift or two. It is great fun and a good way to get to know other parents in our community. More information will follow next term.

Link ...

<http://www.kaipaki.school.nz/31/pages/18-volunteer-schedule>

A reminder that during Fieldays week our school bus only runs in the mornings. There are no afternoon bus runs as Bianca coaxes our bus up and down the big hill ferrying weary Fieldays customers.

There will also be a Teacher Only Day on Friday 14th June, when our staff will be joining colleagues in the Cambridge Community of Learning - Te Puna o Kemureti - professional learning day.

A New Fence

Hopefully over the holidays a new safety fence will be put in place along the front of the school. This fencing (including gates in all the existing entrance points) is funded entirely by the Ministry of Education as part of their Health and Safety programme. We are so grateful for the increased safety it will provide for all our students. If you would like to be considered for the rehoming (by donation) of existing post and rail fencing please let Mandy know via email.

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Learning:

GRIP Leadership

Last Friday 5th April, Mrs Marsh, Mrs White, Anna Hayes and 6 of our senior students travelled to Rotorua for the GRIP leadership conference. This workshop provided an opportunity for some of our school leaders to network with other students and hear some big messages about leadership. Here are a couple of reflections about the day...

Hi my name is Emily, and I was lucky enough to be chosen to go to grip leadership where it teaches students like me to be a better leader and help keep the school together. At the start we all got a small pamphlet that we would fill in during the day. My favourite activities on there were the ones where you got to go around the room and ask students from other schools so you got a chance to interact with others. There were loads of speeches about what you needed to be a leader. What I found most important was the 4 core character traits of a leader. There was confidence with humility, empathy, others focused and reliability. By the end of the day we all got some badges that you could earn by going up on stage. Overall I feel a little more confident in being a leader and have had rousing ideas to make the school a better place.

By Emily Tomita

I learnt heaps about being a better leader. First the 4 core characters are them. Number one confidence with humility - that means that you are always confident with yourself. Number two - others focused means you focus about others than yourself. Number three - reliability means that you are trustworthy. And last but not least, number 4 - empathy means that you don't expect everyone to be like you because you don't know what their life has been like. Another thing that I learnt is to be the one that puts their hand up if the teacher asks you to do a job. It might not be fun but that is being a good leader. There is my 2 main things I learnt.

By Isabel Hayes.

At Grip Leadership they do all kinds of activities and things to help people be a good leader. It helps a lot and it is very fun. It also helps us big kids to help the little kids and it also shows that we can do good leadership and help all the other people in the world. I like grip because it helps me be a better leadership person and it helps a lot of good people and show them the way to do good stuff, like I should always use confidence and humility, reliability and never force one another. Always take care of each other.

By Ake George

Staff Update

It is with great sadness that we share news that Mrs Ellis is taking extended leave from the middle of next term until the end of the year, for family reasons.

During the first five weeks of next term Jody will reduce her work hours and Sara Hawker and I will help transition the Ruma Rau students over this time.

From Tuesday 4th June, we are lucky to have secured Miss Lilah Fleming to look after our Ruma Rau learners for the remainder of the year. Lilah is an experienced teacher who currently teaches at Cambridge East School. We are excited that she is joining our fantastic team for the next two and a half terms.

Like us, we know that Jody's requirement for leave will sadden you, but we ask that you please respect her family's need for privacy at this time.

Arts/Culture:

Music Lessons

We are very excited to share with you news that Matua Sharez will be taking music lessons at school next term, on a user pays basis. These lessons will likely occur during lunchtime and after school but an exact timetable will be organised once we have gauged interest. Lessons will be available in guitar; ukele; drums; keyboard; and singing. If you would like your child/ren to be involved in these lessons please let Mandy know before the end of the term so that we are all set to go for lessons in Term 2.

Chess

We have started chess club at lunchtimes with a group of enthusiastic Year 6, 7 and 8's. There is a lot of interest in this club with Mr Coutts and Matua Sharez facing some fierce competition. We hope to continue to expand this group and purchase new resources. We welcome Chess Enthusiasts from the community to join us - please contact Mr Coutts directly if you are keen.

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Sport:**Summer Sports Season**

Today we celebrated the end of the summer sports season with a special assembly. A huge thank you to all our coaches and managers who have ensured our athletes have enjoyed a fabulous season. We are always amazed at the number of Kaipaki learners who are involved in sporting activities - we know how busy that makes life for families. So thank you everyone for your support too.

It has been fantastic to see the new code of Lacrosse added to the Kaipaki School sports repertoire this term. It is such an exciting game to watch as I found out the other night ... I can only imagine how awesome it must be to play such a high energy, fast moving sport. Huge thanks to Mr Sports (Mr Coutts) for making this available to our school and for all his organisation of the celebration today. We are super lucky to have such an advocate for physical education leading the way.

To all our wonderful athletes ... well done on a great season. Rest well over the holidays - the winter sports season is just around the corner.

**General:****Kaipaki School Board of Trustees
Triennial Elections are coming!**

It's hard to believe it has almost been three years since our last triennial elections. In May/June 2019 we will be looking to elect a number of parent/community representatives to lead Kaipaki School from June 2019 to June 2022 along with a staff representative and the principal.

If this sounds like something you're interested in or would like to know more there is information on the NZSTA website at: www.nzsta.org.nz.

Alternatively, you are very welcome to talk to any of the current board members; please make contact through the school.

Kaipaki School Fleece

School Uniform Addition:

With the winter months approaching we understand need for warmth often hides our school t-shirts. Mandy has sourced a fleece which we will place individual orders for rather than holding in stock. If you would like to purchase a polar fleece for \$43 please email Mandy.

**Have a Safe Holiday**

Finally, as this is the last newsletter for the term, we'd like to wish you all a very safe and happy holiday. We hope you all enjoy some much deserved rest and opportunity for family time over the break. We look forward to another action packed term of learning beginning Monday 29th April.

Kaipaki Team

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