



# KAIPAKI NEWS

*'Bringing Learning to Life'*

WEEK 5, TERM 4, 2021

## Kia ora koutou o Kaipaki Kura

Welcome to a special edition of our school newsletter, where we celebrate being back together again at school and also all the amazing learning that happened in our bubbles over the last month.

It has been so wonderful to see our learners again and watch them reconnecting with their friends and staff.

We are really looking forward to a great last few weeks of term - albeit slightly different than usual!



## School Production Update

We are sad that we are going to have to postpone our School Production until 2022 due to Covid Level restrictions. We will however, endeavour to film as many parts which involve our Year 8 students before the end of the year.

## End of Year Assembly

Covid has created some issues for our end of year assembly too. We have made the difficult decision to cancel the planned in-person event, and instead invest all our energies in bringing an online form of our final assembly.

We will release our virtual assembly link on  
**Tuesday 14th December at 6pm.**

This way you can watch it together as a family, and pretend it's on the stage!

Lock it in the diaries as we will be announcing our award recipients as part of the assembly.

Certificates and cups will be presented to the recipients on the last day of school, with opportunities for photos/videos easily arranged personally with our team.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL  
TUESDAY  
15th December Finishing at  
2.00pm.



# Reports & Classes for 2022

Our teachers have been hard at work writing reports which highlight the great progress of our Kaipaki learners. These reports will make their way home in a sealed envelope on **Friday 10th December**.

**Just a heads up that these reports may look a little different than usual, due to the recent lockdown which prevented planned assessments. We have prioritised home learning programmes and then well-being upon our return to school. Huge thanks in advance to our amazing team who have juggled incredible demands of home learning programmes, return to school plans, supporting learners transitioning back to school, and report writing, all at the same time. We are so very lucky to have such a dedicated and amazing team!**

This year class placements will again be communicated to families via email on the morning of **Friday 10th of December**. Parent feedback last year was that this method provided an opportunity to absorb the information before your children returned home.

Students will visit their new class for 2022 from **10.40 - 11.40am** on **Tuesday 14th December**.

The final day of school for the year is **Wednesday 15th December**.

Please note that school will finish at **2pm** on this day.

**The bus will run as usual on the last day of school, but at the earlier finishing time of 2pm.**

## BoT Corner

### Kia ora from the BoT

The Board continues to meet (virtually where required) to fulfil our duties to the school, and discuss updates, policies, budgets, planning, and maintenance and repairs amongst other items.

The Board would like to express our sincere appreciation for all the hard work, dedication and professionalism of the teaching team at Kaipaki during these times. In particular, we would like to thank Mrs Budd for her leadership and commitment to continually doing the very best for the school, which includes significant liaison with the Ministry of Education and other schools in our district on the ever-changing circumstances we are currently in, as well as teaching at Bubble School.

## Term 4 Dates and Postponements

Sadly the extended Lockdown and ongoing uncertainty has created many postponements and cancellations of planned events including:

- \*Kapa Haka festival
- \*Our School Production
- \*Our Kaipaki School Year 7/8 Information Evening
- \*Year 7/8 End of Year Camp
- \*Christmas at the Town Hall
- \*Athletics Day

We are sure there will be more that we have missed too.

## 2022 Dates

### Term 1:

Wednesday 2nd February - Thursday 14th April

### Term 2:

Monday 2nd May - Friday 8th July

### Term 3:

Monday 25th July - Friday 30th September

### Term 4:

Monday 17th October - Thursday 15th December



# Flower Day

Look at these wonderful Flower Day creations:



# Extreme Reading Challenge!

Who knew there were so many interesting places to read?





# Ag Day

This year we held our very first virtual Ag Day, with our incredible learners posting some amazing photos and videos on our Kaipaki 2021 Ag Day Facebook page. We were absolutely captivated by the very special moments shared. They really captured the love between animals and their carers.



## Welcome Back to School

Lastly, we hope you enjoyed our special staff messages as much as we enjoyed making them for you! Make sure you visit the Kaipaki Parent's Facebook in case you've missed the fun, or just want to have another good laugh!

We appreciate how challenging things are at the moment. Please don't hesitate to contact us if there's any way we can support you and your whanau.

