



KAIPAKI NEWS

'Bringing Learning to Life'

WEEK 3
TERM 1
2023

KIA ORA TE WHAANAU O KAIPAKI

What a wild week it has been in New Zealand... another sad entry in the history books! Our thoughts are with families who are experiencing continued hardship resulting from Cyclone Gabrielle. Please know we are here if we can help support you in any way.

A wee reminder that due to the cancellation of senior swimming this week, seniors will now also swim on Monday next week, and juniors will swim Tuesday to Friday.

We look forward to seeing you at our Meet the Teacher Picnic on Tuesday ... fingers crossed those sunny pictures currently in the weather forecast come true.

Meet the Teacher Picnic



A reminder that this event will take place

Tuesday 21st February 5pm at Kaipaki School

BYO Picnic dinner and share an evening with the wonderful Kaipaki School Community. This will be a great opportunity to connect with other families, get to know the staff and meet your child's teacher/teachers.

5.20pm - Kākano & Peka

5.30pm - Tiwai & Weri

5.40pm - Mahuri

5.50pm - Rau

Important Dates

20th-24th Feb - Junior Swimming Week

**21st Feb - Meet the Teacher
Picnic 5pm**

1st Mar - GRIP Leadership
Conference (Year 7/8)

2nd Mar - **Dr Seuss' Birthday
Celebration Day** →

7th Mar - Rural Schools Swimming (Year 4-8)

9th-14th Mar - Life Education

22nd Mar - BOT Meeting 5pm

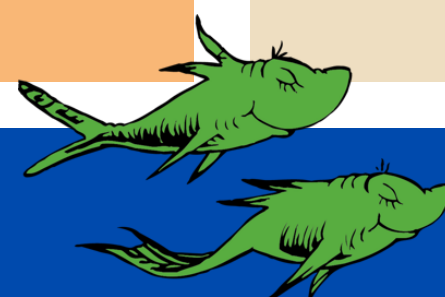
6th Apr - Last Day of Term 1



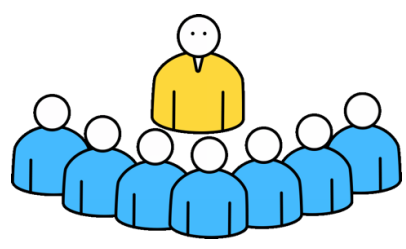
Dr Seuss Day

Join us in celebrating the birthday of a well loved author, Dr Seuss!

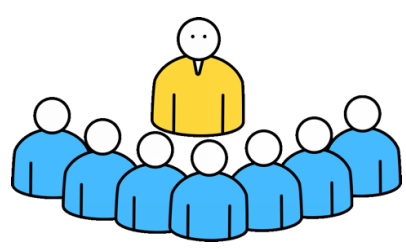
On this day we invite you to **dress up** as your favourite Dr Seuss book character. In our classrooms we will have activities and learning related to Dr Seuss. We can't wait to see your costumes!



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Paid Union Meetings



We all want the best for our kids.

Our teachers love what they do, but not enough funding for schools means that they don't have the time they would like to support all kids to thrive.

We can fix this though. NZEI Te Riu Roa primary teacher and principal members are making the case to Government for the best investment in tamariki. Smaller class sizes, more time for individual students and more specialist learning support staffing would make a huge difference. Keeping and retaining teachers is top of mind right now, and this term, our teachers will also be meeting to consider a pay offer – and assessing if it's enough to make sure that teaching is valued and is an attractive profession.

That is why teachers/principals will be attending paid union meetings over the next couple of weeks. We know most other Cambridge Schools are closing early for these meetings, however we are in the fortunate position that we can cover these times internally, so we will remain open.

We appreciate your continued support us as we work for a better education for the children of New Zealand. We can stand together for our education system, not just for today, but for generations to come.

Bus and Carpark Warden Training

We are excited to introduce our Bus and Gate Wardens for 2023

Bus Wardens:

Town run: Alicia Henwood
Lucy Schick
Jade Worth

Bus and Carpark Wardens:

Rural Run: Matthew Jones
Hana Thomson
Josh Wharton
Matthew Bennett

These fabulous leaders completed their training with Constable Irwin yesterday.

Please could we help support them in their roles by:

- Only using the pedestrian crossing or footpath to access cars.
- Refraining from walking across the car park/behind vehicles.
- Reminding tamariki of the need to stop, and check before crossing - whenever entering or exiting school.
- Considering the safety of where you park.



COMMUNITY GARDEN IN ACTION

Thanks to the amazing growing weather this summer our garden has done particularly well.

We noticed an excess of courgette and decided to look at how we can use this versatile vegetable. We researched possible recipes and eventually settled on two that we would like to try; Courgette Chocolate Cake and Courgette Fritters. The children harvested, washed, peeled, chopped and grated the courgette ready to be used in the recipes. They enjoyed learning about different measurements used in baking and cooking, including grams, cups, mls, tbsp, and tsp. For lots of children trying courgette was a new experience and it was made even more special because it was grown in our own Community Garden.

Health and Well-being Curriculum at Kaipaki School



ELECTIVES 2023!

We are excited to announce the return of our Electives Programme.

This is an exciting opportunity to allow children to follow their passions and develop agency in their learning. Electives will begin in Week 5 this term and finish in Week 5 of Term 2. Children will be able to choose to participate in 2 Electives, one for Term 1 and the second for Term 2. Electives will be run on

Wednesday afternoons from 1.45 - 2.30pm.

If you have a skill, talent or passion and would like to share this with our children in a small group situation please get in touch with your child's teacher to find out more.





You are invited to the Kaipaki School Disco!!

When: Thursday 23rd March

Where: Kaipaki Community Hall

Time: Hall open for juniors to arrive at 5.45pm,
disco starts at 6pm finishing at 7.30pm

Theme: What I want to be when I GROW up

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The PTA will have baking, ice-blocks, popcorn
and water for sale during the disco

(please note that there will not be dinner served at this disco).

Due to capacity limits in the hall we are unable to children
who do not attend Kaipaki School (including preschoolers).

If you have crepe paper or streamers lying around at home we
would love to recycle them as decorations for the hall.

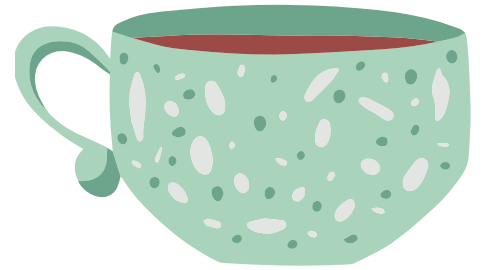
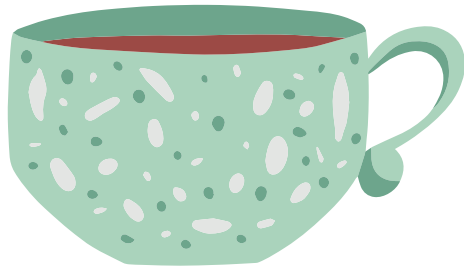


PTA MEETING

Our amazing PTA will have their first meeting

Thursday 2nd March at 7pm at School.

Kaipaki is incredibly lucky to have a very active PTA who contribute to our school in so many ways. Because we have such a great team, we are able to create small working groups to organise different events throughout the year. Many hands really do make light work, everyone is welcome to come along, have a cup of tea and help to create a plan for the year ahead. The PTA have some exciting fundraising goals currently to improve the school environment and are looking forward to another great year.



PATAI O TE WIKI

Our patai (question)
for this week is;

**Kei te
pēhea koe?**

How are
you?



JUNIOR CERTIFICATES



RUMA KAAKANO

Haeon Walsh

Happy Haeon- For the amazing way you are settling into being at school, and in our classroom. You are quickly learning our routines and showing increased confidence to give things a go. Well done Haeon!

George Beatson

Geronimo George- For being brave when saying goodbye to mum in the mornings, and coming into class to play. You are such a big schoolboy George. I am so proud of you.
Ka pai!

RUMA WERI

Oliver Roskruge

You are a self motivated and curious learner. It has been great to see you giving 100% to all learning tasks and supporting your peers when they need it. We are so lucky to have you in our classroom, Oliver!

Lilly Taotala

Lilly, you are working so hard in your learning! You are always enthusiastic and committed to the task that you are doing, what a resilient Kaipaki Learner you are.
Tino pai to mahi!

RUMA MAHURI

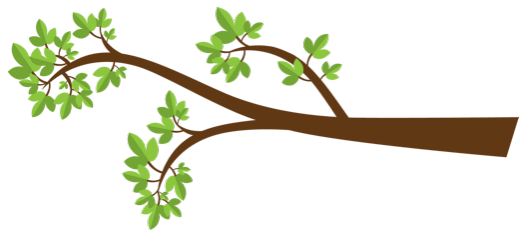
Quinn Hawker

For the incredible work ethic that you demonstrate. I am so proud of the way you have grown to be a role model in our class. You are such a motivated learner and I can't wait to see what you will be able to achieve this year.

Bryn Hawkins

For the way that you lead Ruma Māhuri in Te Ao Māori. You are always engaged and very motivated to learn songs, actions, stories and new words. You have an incredible memory and support others with their learning

SENIOR CERTIFICATES



RUMA PEKA

Millie McArthur



For showing leadership, initiative and kindness in our classroom. Your thoughtfulness is noticed and appreciated.

Braxton Kraavanger

For your initiative and helpfulness with your peers. You are demonstrating thoughtful and mature thinking. Ka pai Braxton!



RUMA RAU

Pippa Gosden



For your motivation to learn and achieve your goals, and for your helpfulness around the classroom. Ka pai Pippa, we are so lucky to have you in Ruma Rau!

Luke Hughes

For doing your very best in all that you do. You are such a careful, thoughtful learner. We have loved seeing your creativity and attention to detail in your writing and your artwork so far this term. Keep up the great mahi Luke!



RUMA TIWAI

Caelan Tatkovic



For the confident way you have taken on leadership responsibilities to help our younger students. Your strong work ethic, your artistic talent and your calm, sensible manner have already enhanced our class. We're very excited about the skills that you are bringing to Ruma Tiwai!

Teachers Only Days

Due to the NZ Curriculum being updated the Government has given schools 2 Teacher Only days to build a better understanding of the changes and align our planning and teaching. We will have the first of these days on **Monday 24th April** (the first Monday of term 2 and the day before ANZAC day). We will confirm the second curriculum date once the Ministry announces the schedule, this is likely to be later in Term 3 or 4.

As with many of the schools in Cambridge, our teachers will be involved in a Professional Development day on **Friday 16th June**. Kaipaki School will be closed on this day.



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TERM DATES 2023

Term 1 : 31st Jan - 6th Apr

Term 2 : 26th Apr - 30th Jun

Term 3 : 17th Jul - 22nd Sep

Term 4 : 9th Oct - 15th Dec