



KAIPAKI SCHOOL

'BRINGING LEARNING TO LIFE'

WHAKATINANAHIA TE MĀTAURANGA



IMPORTANT DATES

- 21st July - 150th Celebration Planning Meeting
- 24th July - Nga Hoa Pai Meeting
- 29th July - Report Parent Meetings - Jnr's & Snr's
- 30th July - Report Parent Meetings - Snr's
- 7th August - Board Meeting
- 8th August - Reports sent home
- 11th August - Teacher Only Day - Mathematics
- 26th August - Kaipaki Cross Country
- 28th August - Kapa Haka Festival
- 29th August - Daffodil Day
- 1st - 5th September - AIMS Games (Year 7/8)
- 9th September - Rotary Speech Competition
- 11th September - Cross Country
- 15th - 19th September - Māori Language Week
- 17th September - Board Meeting
- 18th September - Te Oko Horoi Celebration
- 19th September - Last day of Term 3

KIA ORA TE WHĀNAU O KAIPAKI

Welcome back to Term 3!

We hope you had a chance to slow down a little over the winter break, enjoy some cosy moments, and recharge the batteries. Whether it was a trip away, a staycation with the fire going, or just the joy of not making school lunches for a couple of weeks, we hope it was good to you.

We're hitting the ground running this term with lots of exciting learning ahead. Some of our school favourites are on the calendar—Cross Country, Speech Competitions, and the always amazing Kapa Haka Festival. You'll find our full Term 3 calendar tucked inside this newsletter to help with your planning. While we'll do our best to stick to it, there may be the odd shuffle thanks to weather or the unexpected !

You might notice the newsletter looks slightly different! This term we're trying something new - each class will take the reins of the newsletter in the week leading up to their assembly. They'll be sharing snippets of their learning, giving you a sneak peek into what's been going on in class. First up this term is Ruma Peka, and they've put together some great bits for you to enjoy. Don't forget to come along to their assembly next Friday at 9:15am to see more of their awesome mahi.

Term 3 is often our most learning-focused stretch of the year, and that's especially true as we head into our Whānau Conferences in Week 3. These are a really valuable opportunity to sit down with your child's teacher, reflect on the journey so far, set some goals for the rest of the year, and talk about how we can best work together to support your tamariki. You'll find all the details on how to book your time further on in the newsletter.

Lastly, thank you for being part of our amazing school community. Here's to a term full of learning, connection, and plenty of good things!



MID-YEAR PARENT-TEACHER DISCUSSIONS

These will be held on Tuesday 30th and Wednesday 31st July.

Tuesday 29th July - 2.30pm to 6.15pm - all classes (except Maahuri)

Wednesday 30th July - 2.30pm to 5.45pm - Rau, Peka & Tiwai

Wednesday 30th July - 2.30pm to 4.15pm - Weri

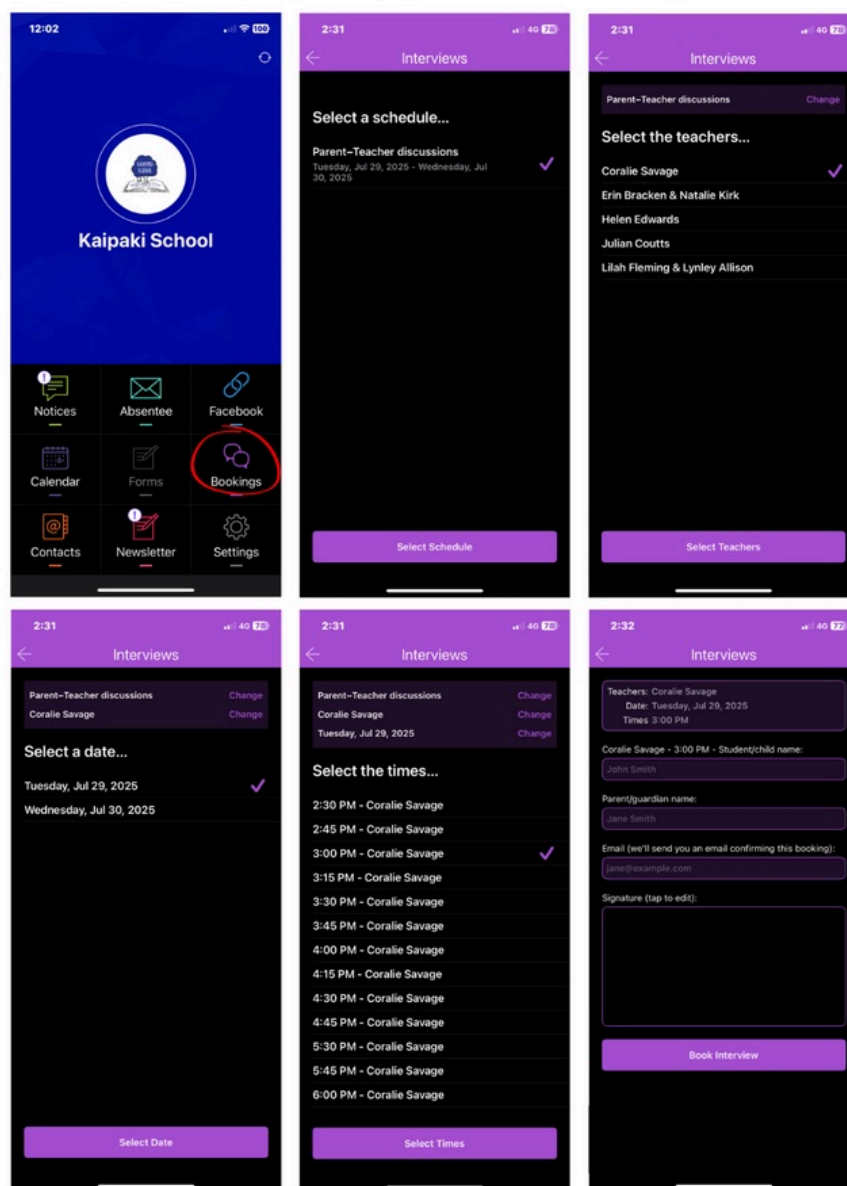
Please book your time slot via our Skool Loop app.

All meetings will be limited to 15 minutes per child, however if you feel that you need more time, your classroom teacher will be able to schedule an alternative time to meet.

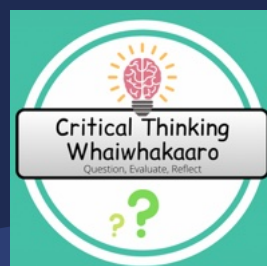
Bookings are open now! We are looking forward to seeing you!

Supervision will be provided for all students from 2:30pm until the time of their departure, whether by school bus or personal collection. Should you wish to collect your child earlier, please feel free to do so at your convenience.

Here's a step by step guide to booking a time:



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WELCOME TO KAIPAKI

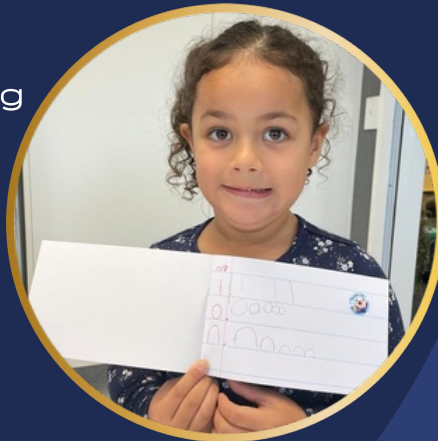
We extend a very warm welcome back to Mrs Di Holden who is leading the learning in Ruma Māhuri this term, while Whaea Jane is away on her sabbatical.

We are so very lucky to have you on the team Di!

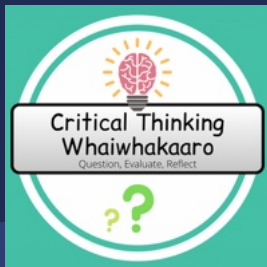
The start of the term has also seen a lot of new faces in the junior area of our school. We extend a very warm welcome to the following tamariki and their families:

- Maia Taotala
- Lena Pope
- Liana Savage
- Ilesh Maharjan

We look forward to learning with you and creating fabulous school memories with you all.



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KAIPAKI SCHOOL 150TH ANNIVERSARY 2026

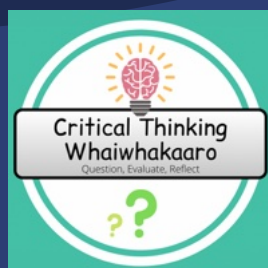
If you're interested in being involved in planning this special event, please join us for our first planning meeting on the new date:


7pm, Monday, 21st July at Kaipaki School.

We value your support and ideas!



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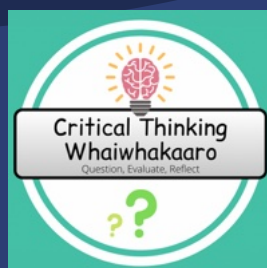
Reminder:

Teacher Only Day

Monday 11th August

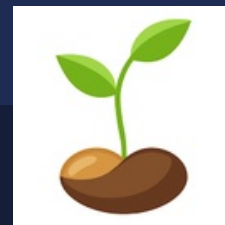
This is an MOE approved day focused
on the new Maths Curriculum

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Kaipaki Seeds



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Kaipaki Seeds is the new rebranded enviro group.

This name was invented in Term 1 by a keen group of tamariki.

The name is based on the three pillars of sustainability which are Society, Environment and Economy. This group decided to add D because as a Kura we are making a difference, and S for service as this is one of our Kaipaki values.

SOCIETY

ENVIRONMENT

ECONOMIC

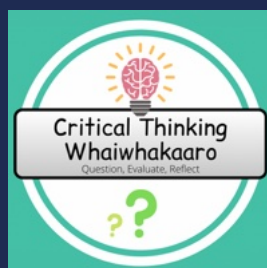
DIFFERENCE

SERVICE



The Kaipaki Seeds have been very busy looking at ways we can reduce waste and build awareness to ensure our Kura is making a difference, and looking after the environment we live in.

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Kaipaki Seeds



We had great results from our mini waste audit, showing we are making a difference; however, we believe we can make even **more** of a difference:

30L of soft plastic could have been diverted from the landfill.

So we decided...

Soft Plastic Recycling is coming to Kaipaki School

We can also reduce our waste by focusing on what goes into our lunchboxes to ensure we create less waste.

REMEMBER THE RUBBISH FROM YOUR HOME AND OUR SCHOOL GOES INTO THE SAME LANDFILL HOLE.

Here is a simple and cost-effective way to reduce waste.



Multi bags of chips

Cost \$3:59 - 10 packets

Weight: 196g (chips)
11 pieces of waste



Single Bag

Cost \$1:99 1 packet

Weight: 153g (chips)
1 piece of waste

DISCLAIMER:
MANY CHIPS
WERE HARMED
IN THIS
RESEARCH...

If you put a small portion of these chips into a reusable container you are not only reducing waste but also saving money.



RUMA PEKA SHOWCASE

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HERE IS A SNAPSHOT OF RUMA PEKA EXPLORING MANY AREAS OF FLORA AND FAUNA. IN TERM 2, WE DISCOVERED THE IMPORTANCE OF LOOKING AFTER OUR BEAUTIFUL NATURAL ENVIRONMENT.

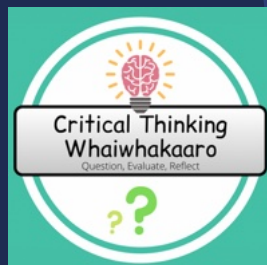
Ruma Peka followed on from our visit from John Parker - Maddox photography, and did our own macro photography with some fancy editing.

We explored wonderful textures and patterns in nature.

MACRO PHOTOGRAPHY



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RUMA PEKA SHOWCASE

CAMOUFLAGE LIZARDS

Ruma Kaakano and Ruma Weri enjoyed visiting Ruma Peka to take part in a camouflage lizard hunt.

Come and visit Ruma Peka to see if you can find our 13 hidden lizards...



THE TOOTH

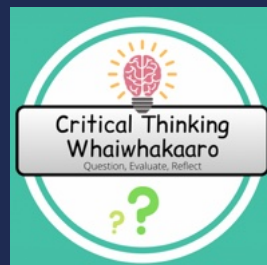
Our class novel in Term 2 was “The Tooth” by New Zealand author Des Hunt. It was a great link to our flora and fauna topic, engaging us in adventure, horses, and nature, including endemic Red Admiral butterflies and glowworms. It’s a fantastic read.



We created **nature journals** to collate some of our learning.



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CROSS

COUNTRY

Term 3 means we enter Cross-Country territory!

This term we are focusing on developing running fitness ahead of our school and combined schools events:

Tuesday 26th August : Kaipaki School Cross Country @ Kaipaki School

Thursday 11th September: Rural Schools' Cross Country @ Karapiro Domain

Each learner has set a personal goal and they are striving to further develop their long distance running techniques and fitness at school every day.

To assist with this training, it would be really helpful for students to bring suitable footwear to school. Gumboots or bare feet can present a few challenges across our different school surfaces!



Creativity/Auahatanga

Imagine, Invent, Experiment

**Collaboration
Mahi Tahī**

Contribute, Negotiate, Engage

**Critical Thinking
Whaiwhakaaro**

Question, Evaluate, Reflect

Community/Hapori

Care, Appreciate, Contribute

**Communication
Whitiwhiti Korero**

Listen, Speak, Present

Term 3, 2025 @ Kaipaki

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	14/07 Start of Term 3	15/07	16/07	17/07 - Tech Arts	18/07 - Newsletter
Week 2	21/07 CHS visit - Next year's intake 150th Celebration Planning Meeting - 7pm	22/07	23/07	24/07 - Tech Arts Nga Hoa Pai Meeting - 6pm	25/07 - Assembly
Week 3	28/07	29/07 Report Parent Meetings - 2.30 - 6.30 Juniors and Seniors	30/07 Report Parent Meetings Weri - 2.30 - 4.30 Seniors - 2.30 - 6.00	31/07 - Tech Arts	1/08 - Newsletter Te Ohu Kaiaarahi o te Kapua Ihi
Week 4	4/08	5/08	6/08	7/08 - Tech Arts Board Meeting 5pm - 7pm	8/08 - Assembly Electives - Session 1 (Block 3)
Week 5	11/08 Teacher Only Day - Mathematics	12/08	13/08	14/08 - Tech Arts	15/08 - Newsletter Electives - Session 2 (Block 3)
Week 6	18/08	19/08	20/08	21/08 - Tech Arts	22/08 - Assembly Electives - Session 3 (Block 3)
Week 7	25/08	26/08 Kaipaki School Cross Country	27/08	28/08 - Tech Arts	29/08 - Newsletter Combined Schools kapa Haka Festival Electives - Session 4 (Block 3)
Week 8	1/09 Alms Games Year 7/8 Hockey 30/8-5/9	2/09 Alms Games Year 7/8 Hockey 30/8-5/9	3/09 Alms Games Year 7/8 Hockey 30/8-5/9	4/09 - Tech Arts Alms Games Year 7/8 Hockey 30/8-5/9	5/09 - Assembly Alms Games Year 7/8 Hockey 30/8-5/9 NO Electives today World Environment Day
Week 9	8/09	9/09 Rotary Speech Competition Y5-8 Year 7 Vision Screening - 11am	10/09 Board Elections Close	11/09 - No Tech Arts Rural Schools Cross Country Harold arrives - Life Ed	12/09 - Newsletter No Electives Life Ed
Week 10 Maori Language Week	15/09 Inter-school Cross Country Town Life Ed	16/09 Life Ed	17/09 Board Meeting 5pm - 7pm Life Ed?	18/09 - Tech Arts Te Oko Horoi Celebration Mana Whenua visiting Kaipaki Te Ohu Kaiaarahi o te Kapua Ihi	19/09 - Assembly Electives - Session 5 (Block 3)

The Ministry of Education expects every student to attend at least 90% of the time, with a national goal of no more than 5 days missed per term.

Did you know that just 1 day off every 2 weeks adds up to a full year of school missed by age 16?

Regular attendance = better learning, stronger friendships, and lifelong habits for success.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just they miss and
1 day per fortnight	4 weeks per year	1 years over their school life
1 day per week	8 weeks per year	2.5 years over their school life

Minutes missed = days lost

A few minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child starts school late or leaves early just they miss
10 minutes	3 days learning per year
20 minutes	11 days learning per year

What You Can Do:

- ✓ Plan holidays outside of term time
- ✓ Make sure your child arrives on time
- ✓ Let us know before 9am if your child will be absent or late
 - Use the Skool Loop app
- ✉ Email: office@kaipaki.school.nz or your child's teacher
- ☎ Phone: 07 823 6653 or Text: 022 690 5174

Justified Absences:

Illness, tangi, medical appointments

Other school-approved reasons

Unjustified = family holidays, shopping days, birthdays.

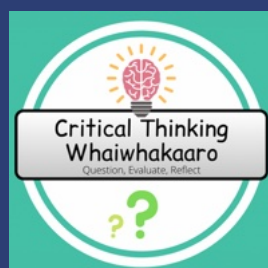
If your child is away for 20 consecutive days, their enrolment may be withdrawn (this is a Ministry requirement).

We're Here to Help

If getting your child to school is tricky right now, please reach out.

We're here to support.

♥ Every day counts. Every minute matters. Let's work together.





2025 School Board Election

PARENT ELECTION NOTICE

Nominations are open for the election of 4 parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is provided with this notice, and the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 6th August. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination. The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at 4pm on Wednesday 10th September 2025.

ELECTION DATE
10 SEPTEMBER 2025

Please refer any queries to our Returning Officer,
Mandy McWha at office@kaipaki.school.nz

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2025 School Board Election

ELECTION DATE
10 SEPTEMBER 2025

ELECTION TIMELINE:

MAIN ROLL CLOSES	16 JULY
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS BY	18 JULY
SUPPLEMENTARY ROLL CLOSES	04 AUGUST
NOMINATIONS CLOSE	06 AUGUST
INVITATION TO VOTE	13 AUGUST
ELECTION DAY	10 SEPTEMBER
DECLARATION OF RESULT	16 SEPTEMBER
NEW BOARD IN PLACE	17 SEPTEMBER

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Nga Hoa Pai Meeting



Watch this space
for exciting upcoming
Nga Hoa Pai
events

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Ruma Māhuri

Mrs Di Holden

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Mr Owen Corlett

(Curriculum/Leadership)

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Ruma Kākano - Mrs Helen Edwards

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Ruma Weri - Mrs Coralie Savage

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Ruma Rau - Ms Lynley Allison &

Miss Lilah Fleming

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Ruma Peka - Mrs Erin Bracken &

Mrs Natalie Kirk

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Ruma Tiwai/Sports Coordinator -

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SENCO: Mrs Carolyn Garvitch

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Bianca Crawford

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