

KIA ORA FROM KYRAN

Naumai e te whānau o te kura Kahurangi.

It's always lovely to welcome back our tamariki after the school holidays. We hope you managed to have some times of fun as well as some time for relaxing. One parent told me recently one of the best parts they enjoyed about school holidays is not having to make school lunches or the morning madness of trying to get to school and work on time.

With the chill of winter setting in I think it's timely to talk about what happens here at Kahurangi during the colder months. Firstly we make a big effort to get the children outside every day unless it's very cold, extra windy or raining. We know some whānau fear their children will not like being outside in the cold but we find for the majority it's actually the opposite. Generally the children can't wait to get outside, burn some energy and have the opportunity to be more active and run around.

As teachers we're also aware that daily exercise is hugely important therefore teachers still make a big effort to take their classes out for fitness or P.E.

Studies have shown that contrary to the common belief that exposure to cold air or rain causes a cold, fresh air is good and healthy. When children (and adults) spend a long time together in indoor spaces germs and illnesses often spread more easily which gives us yet another good reason to get the children outside.

In break times the children mostly eat inside and then they are released to play outside so it's important that every day they come dressed appropriately. Please make sure they come wearing suitable clothing and footwear including a few layers of clothes and a warm jacket and we'll do our best to make sure they stay mud free and dry.

At the later part of the day or after lots of running around or when coming inside, children start taking off layers causing them to leave jackets and jerseys lying around the playground. A gentle reminder that if clothing is named it is easy to return to its owner. If you've ever looked in our lost property you'll know unnamed clothing is a big problem for us.



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Wed 19 May

Online Safety Presentation
& Movie Night
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Fri 21 June

School Cross Country &
Pink Shirt Day
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3-7 June

NO SCHOOL
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dates on the last page.

New tamariki at Kahurangi



It is lovely to welcome six new students and their whānau to our Kahurangi kura!

Mohamed, Ruby, Lachlan and Italya have all turned five and have joined our youngest class of learners.

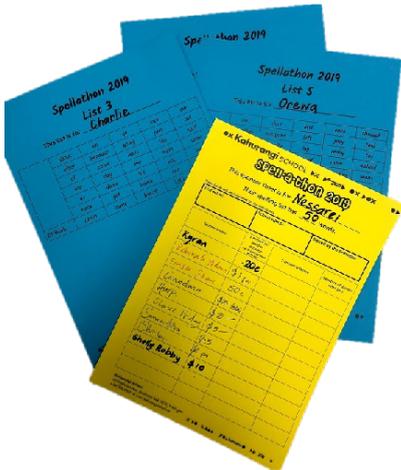
Welcome to Hine and her Mum who have recently moved to Wellington from Pahiatua.

A special welcome to Jude who is Zola's older brother and joins one of our intermediate classes.

To our new families, our hope is that you feel very welcome and we look forward to getting to know you and your children.

Spell-a-thon information is coming home on Tuesday

It is a tradition that we have a spellathon biannually at Kahurangi. We are asking our children to put their brains to work for the benefit of our school.



Every child will have a list of words to learn and a sponsor sheet. We are asking and encouraging parents and whānau to help the children learn the words and collect sponsors. **We are planning on sending the spellathon packs home on Tuesday.**

Cross Country is next week



Friday 21 May

9am-11:30am

Kahurangi School

Postponement date is Monday 24 May

We'd love some whānau helpers to act as marshals around the course. If you're able to help please let one of our staff know. Whānau are also welcome to come along as spectators.

Students should wear sensible running shoes and bring a jacket.

As it is Pink Shirt Day, students might like to wear pink instead of wearing their house colours. House teams and colours are;

Aoraki = Yellow

Taupō = Red

Waikato = Blue

Waipoua = Green

If your child is little and they're unsure of their house team please just ask their teacher.



Have you remembered?

NO SCHOOL - 3 DAYS

Thursday 3 June - Friday 4 June
Teacher Only Day Mid-term Break

**&
Monday 7 June**
Queens Birthday

If your child is absent from school

Please tell us before we need to ring you. Phoning, texting, emailing or a message sent through the Skool Loop App or with another family member are all suitable ways of letting us know.



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A special congratulations

Recently **Katie** shared some wonderful news that her and her partner Seb are expecting their first child.

Not only are we excited for her but so are her class!



THANK YOU!

Visitors to our school often comment on what wonderful manners our children have. It always makes me feel very proud when I hear this and I imagine it's the same for you. Along with their good manners our children are pretty good at saying thank you as a sign of gratitude. I asked some children if they wanted to give a shout-out of thanks to anyone they're thankful to and got over one hundred replies! This is what a few of them said...

Thank you Maya for helping me to pick up my food when it fell out of my lunch box.
Ashden

Thank you Josie for helping me when I fell over.
Kahurangi

Thank you Thu for getting my toy dolphin out of the tree.
Kartel

Daley thanks for being cool, nice and a great friend.
Wolf

Thank you Miles for helping me build the castle. It was awesome.
Ari

Thank you to Dad for helping me ride my bike!
Larson

Thanks Liam for always having my back.
Jakey

Thanks Rick for coaching both basketball teams and being so supportive. You're doing awesome.
Matthew

Thank you Mum for taking me to school and being my Mum.
Galaxy

Thank you Eden for always being nice and sharing the ball at Miniball.
Rebecca

Thank you Nicole for helping and improving our knowledge. I really appreciate how you help us with unknown words.
Ian

Thank you Kaylee for coaching my basketball team.
Quinn

Thank you Dad for spoiling me.
Jessica

Thank you Mum for spending all your free time on me!
from your loving daughter

Thank you Mum for your hugs and your kindness. You always support me when I'm blue.
Thank you Dad for toughening me up but always loving me.
Bonnie

Thank you Sophia for teaching me the monkey bars.
Emily

Thank you Kahu for letting me play Lego with you.
Alan

Thank you to my friend Elliot for helping me learn to use scissors.
Connor

Thank you Maani for helping my brother after school when he fell over.
Laite

Rowan for playing beyblades with me at morning tea and lunch time.
Cameron

Thank you Nelson for teaching me soccer and practising cross country with me.
Ollie

Thank you Fono for picking up after us.
Laite

Thank you Mum for making my lunch every day. I will start doing it soon!
Tearlach

Thank you to my friends Magnolia and Ariana for looking out for me and helping me when I fell over.
Annie

Thank you for looking after me for 11 years!
Adimay

Thank you Kenny McFadden for always taking care of me while I'm at training and having faith in me to succeed.
Gracie

Thank you Jack for teaching me soccer moves at play times.
Finn

Thank you Maya for playing with me when I feel sad.
Alex. S

Thank you Matua Henare for teaching us lots of Kapa Haka songs.
Ariana

Thank you Bear for being my neighbour.
Stella



BREAK TIMES = FUN TIMES!

We're joining in on Pink Shirt Day



This day does fall on the day our school cross country is happening. Children are free to choose if they want to wear pink, their house colour or both! We won't be taking a collection.



ART INSPIRED BY NZ ARTIST DON BINNEY

The children learned he uses horizon lines, gradient skies, NZ birds, stylised shapes.

Waka Pūhara Toru

A really easy way to support our school Supervising our school road patrol is an easy and quick way of helping us out whilst at the same time supporting our children to keep safe. It would be wonderful to get some new volunteers. Please email or see Angela if you are able to help us in this way.

The Winter sport season has started

As usual we have plenty of children and teams playing for our school. In future newsletters I look forward to sharing how they're doing.

- Go **KAHURANGI WAIRUA!**
- Go **KAHURANGI WHETŪ!**
- Go **KAHURANGI MARAMA!**
Netball Teams
- Go **KAHURANGI MAGIC!**
- Go **KAHURANGI HORNETS!**
- Go **KAHURANGI RAPTORS!**
- Go **KAHURANGI ROCKETS!**
- Go **KAHURANGI HAWKS!**
- Go **KAHURANGI SUNS!**
- Go **KAHURANGI WIZARDS!**
- Go **KAHURANGI WARRIORS!**
Miniball and Basketball Teams



It's super appreciated when parents email me (Kyran) game and team photos as it's a struggle to be able to get to see all the teams play.

What's coming up

Tuesday 18 May
What Dance Can Do Workshops start

For selected Y4-5 students.

Wednesday 19 May

EZ Netball Tournament For keen Y5-8 students.

Online Safety Information Evening & Movie Night

7-8:30pm. See page 4.

Thursday 20 May
Triactivate Trip to ASB Centre and Pools

For Y7-8s - Group 1.

Friday 21 May
Pink Shirt Day & Kahurangi Cross Country
See page 2.

Thursday 27 May
Triactivate Trip to ASB Centre and Pools

For Y7-8s - Group 2.

Friday 28 May
School Assembly
Hosted by Waka Rā Toru and Fiona. 2.10pm in Broadway/hall. All welcome!

Tuesday 1 June
Triactivate Trip to Rec Centre and ASB Centre

For Y4-6s - Group 1.

Wednesday 2 June
Eastern Zone Cross Country
For selected children who placed in our school cross country.

Thursday 3 June
NO SCHOOL
Teacher Only Day

Friday 4 June
NO SCHOOL
Mid-term Break

Monday 7 June
NO SCHOOL
Queen's Birthday

Thursday 10 June
Triactivate Trip to Rec Centre and ASB Centre
For Y4-6s - Group 2.

Friday 11 June
School Assembly
Hosted by Waka Rimu Rua and Judy. 2.10pm in Broadway/hall. All welcome!