

Kahurangi school

KIA ORA FROM KYRAN

#### Kia ora Kahurangi whānau.

As we reach the end of another term, I want to take a moment to connect with you and share a special message about Matariki, the Māori New Year. Our tamariki have been learning about the significance of this celebration. and I'm delighted to see their engagement and growth. Before we head into the holiday break, I would like to wish you a happy Matariki season.



As we now know Matariki is a time when we come together to celebrate new beginning reflect on the past, and cherish our loved ones. Throughout this term, our tamariki have explored the stories, traditions, and values associated with Matariki.

To our wonderful tamariki, I commend you for your curiosity, engagement, and willingness to learn about Matariki. Your eagerness to understand Māori culture and traditions is wonderful. As you enjoy your holiday remember to think about what you have learned, enjoy spending the extra time with whanau and friends and remember to appreciate the good things in your life.

I would also like to express my genuine appreciation for our teachers and staff. They have worked tirelessly to make learning interesting, engaging and meaningful for our learners whilst doing all they can to support the wellbeing of tamariki.

To all our whānau, your partnership in your children's education is invaluable. We acknowledge that there's so much you do to support your child's growth and development. Thank you for being an integral part of our school community and for supporting our shared goals.

On behalf of the entire school team, I wish you a safe and rejuvenating break from school and the usual day-today routines. May the spirit of Matariki guide you as you cherish this extra time together. We look forward to welcoming you and your children back in the next term, ready to continue our collective journey of learning and growth.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Kyran Smith | Tumuaki





Mon 17 July

**Term 3 Starts** Welcome back!

**Tues 25 July** 

**Arohanui Strings** Concert For all our tamariki.

Wed 26 July

**Teacher Only Day** No school for our tamariki!

For further dates and events please check 'What's coming up' at the back of this newsletter.















# HAERE MAI

**WELCOME TO** 

# OUR NEW FRIENDS

Welcome James, Nita and Ryan who have all turned five and join our new entrant class. James is Emily's brother. Nita is Aliana and Layla's sister. Ryan and his whānau are new to Kahurangi.

A very special welcome to you all. We hope you're enjoying being big five year olds now! An extra special welcome to Ryan and his whānau. We hope you enjoy being a part of our Kahurangi community and are feeling welcomed

## Our Kahurangi Friends' Breakfast Club is hitting the right spot





#### We are thrilled to share some wonderful news

Claire Brown, our Year 7-8 teacher is expecting a baby! It's exciting news for Claire and her partner Tony. As they both eagerly anticipate the arrival of this precious addition to their family, we wanted to take a moment to celebrate and extend our warmest congratulations to them both.



#### TEACHER ONLY DAY

Wednesday 26 July Term 3, week 2















#### **Ensuring effective communication** email addresses for whānau

We need your email address! It is crucial for us to have a valid email address for each family, so we can effectively communicate important messages and updates. At times we send important messages out by email only. It's possible you're not receiving all communication if we don't have a valid email address for you.

A good test is if you're not receiving our school newsletters electronically it will be because we don't have your correct email address.

Please send us your email address (or any updated contacts) to the school office.

office@kahurangi.school.nz

#### What to do when your child is absent from school



Please, please, please tell us before we need to ring you. Phoning, texting, emailing or a message sent through our HERO app or with another family member are all suitable ways of letting us know.

> 04 388 6386 office@kahurangi.school.nz text: 027 748 0100



Our tamariki, led by Claire and supported by their kaiako created a collaborative series of murals inspired by the Matariki exhibition we visited at Te Papa.

- 1. Matariki
- 2. Maharatia Remember | Take a moment to remember the loved ones that you've lost. Let them take their place among the stars.
- 3. Mānawatia Celebrate | Eat kai with whānau, walk with friends, snuggle in front of a fire - do whatever feels right for you. What will you do this Matariki?
- 4. **Manakotia Hope** | It's time to set intentions for the coming year. Make a pledge for your whānau, your community, or the environment.





























# We have published illustrators and more published writers!



#### 'Speak Up' by Eden.F, Hazel and Friday

Illustrator Sacha B

It all started when we were presenting our worksheet of what we wanted to be when we were older. Mr.Rodgers called me to the front of the class so I could present my work. I started with, "I want to be the first woman to walk on the moon!" I finished my presentation with all my reasons to become an astronaut with a big smile on my face. The class started to clap. I looked over to Mr. Rogers and he had a confused expression on his face.

I didn't assume too much until that afternoon he called me into his office. I waited in the classroom thinking of what I could have done wrong. He came in, sat down and rested his elbows on the desk as if he was about to tell me off. There was an awkward silence until he broke it: "Aroha, you have a very ambitious mind, but let's be real. Do you really think that a girl like you would be capable of surviving in space without doing something utterly stupid and dramatic, causing a certain death? Young lady, I do not want you to set a bad influence on this class."

I tried to keep my rage intact but I just couldn't hold it back. I started to talk. "I can most certainly go to space and when I do, you will realise that girls have just as many rights if not more than boys." I did what I had to do but from now on I knew things were not going to be easy in Mr Rogers' class. But I also knew when to speak up.

The next day I walked to school with a trick up my sleeve. I went up to Mr.Rogers saying I wanted to re-do my presentation. Mr.Rogers was very enthusiastic with what I came up with considering what happened yesterday (in his words) he even said I could do it after roll call. If you're wondering I told him I was going to do the presentation again, but more reasonably. My plan was in full swing. I walked up to the front of the class and started talking "Today I'm gonna be giving my presentation about.....Mr Rogers glances at me and smiles but then I say "sexism". Mr Rogers' smile turns into the biggest frown I've ever seen. But I had never been happier. Mr Rogers tried to get me to stop but I projected my voice even louder. I started off saying "Some people don't understand the concept of sexism and that's ok, but just in case you come across it I'm going to tell you what it is". When I finished my class started clapping.

Mr Rogers was speechless, until he said "Go to the office" I walked to the office not worried one little bit. The whole thing was feeling quite surreal at that point. I sat down waiting for about two minutes until I heard footsteps coming from the staffroom. I sat there quietly knowing what to expect. Principal Wallace walks in the room with her short pixie cut all clipped back and her flowy retro blouse and long satin skirt topped up with a pounamu necklace. She sat down and asked my side of the story. I confidently told her I was just doing what I believed was right. She looked at me, smiled and said "This is nothing to be in trouble about. I respect what you have done. I will certainly be talking to Mr Rogers." A sigh of relief came over me. I thanked Principal Wallace and headed back to class, with a grin on my face. I walked through the door and Mr Rogers paused his lesson and looked at me. I told him Principal Wallace was expecting him after school. From then on we had no more problems with sexism from him.

#### Guardians of the environment

By Khan, Tynen and Matthew

Past Imagine Aotearoa 1000s of years ago. A faraway land where nature dominated the land and no human was in sight. A maze of trees and an echo of valleys. Huge birds as tall as skyscrapers to mouse-sized lizards. This is what it was: a wonder of life with no person in an animal's eyes. But animals can teach us something called kindness, a word that humans don't understand. We think we are the smartest thing on earth but there are more of us than them and as they came to us, we tried to fight back but with powerful guns they slayed us and made us disappear. Later we started living in the cities because they disintegrated our forest and families and our happy lives we had. Friends and brothers and sisters all died. We want to have our families back but now it's too late, thanks to humans they're not coming back and now all hope is lost.

Presenthrowing it into the forest with no regret. All of a sudden a tree turns to ash. Then another and two more until the forest is black. Then it comes to a meadow, the grass is set ablaze, the flowers are lit and nothing remains. There on the ground lies an animal in pain. Flesh burning slowly until it all fades away. The sun burns hot so hot that you can see the water evaporating up to the clouds but there on the ground is a fish flopping and flipping struggling on the dry but once wet land. Here comes a team, a team of lumberers who come to a woodland forest but in a moment the forest is no more. All the animals who lived there have flown away or died. In its place is a tall tower with a metallic shine. All the beings who live there are an unnatural kind. Then there over the seas of water and life then it stops at a frozen desert of ice but then part of a dune crumbles into the frosty sea below all of a sudden a huge wave of water is charging forward. But there on the horizon is a colourful piece of art floating and bobbing up and down. But this piece of art is made of trash, cans, plastic bags more than you could imagine. Much much more.

Future But we can put a stop to this! The show must go on! So what can you do to save the environment and show kaitiakitanga? Lots of course! We could pick up rubbish and junk from the sea. We could walk to school more to cut down on petrol and, we could buy less plastic to make the planet more green. You could start a beach clean-up! See how much you can clean in 5 minutes! So what are you doing? The planet could get fitter, just by you cleaning up all that litter! Maybe you could donate to an environmental charity like your local zoo? Plant some trees, do a kind act or two, remember to recycle, help a beach clean-up! We can be planet earth's greenest heroes! Just think about how many animals die from eating litter that we dropped - or on a better note: how many animals you could save by doing any of these ideas. So get out there and save some innocent lives.



Illustrator Ariki A.C





























Illustrator Rāwiri

#### H2-oh yeah!





helped out with our junior school swimming programme, we cannot express enough how much we appreciated your help each week!



# Can you help with supervising road patrol?

We are needing whanau to support with the monitoring of our road patrol, before school (8:30-8:50am) and after school (2:55-3:10pm). Please consider helping for just one slot a week. Please let Angela (angela@kahurangi.school.nz) or a staff member know the day and slot you are available for. A big thank you to those of you who have already offered!

#### What's coming up

**Monday 17 July** First day of Term 3

**Tuesday 25 July Arohanui Strings Concert** 11:30am

**Board of Trustees** Meeting

7-9pm

Wednesday 26 July **Teacher Only Day** 

No school for tamariki.

Friday 28 July **School Assembly** 

Hosted by the children who learn with Josie. 2:10pm

Whānau welcome

Monday 31 July Spellathon Information being sent home

Children start learning their words and collecting sponsors.

Friday 11August **School Assembly** 

Hosted by the children who learn with Chad.

Whānau welcome

#### Wednesday 23 August **Eastern Zone Swimming Sports**

Selected Y4-8 swimmers!

#### Wednesday 30 August **School Photos**

Information will be sent home well in advance of these.

Friday 22 September Last day of Term 4

Usual 3pm finish.















## News from the Community X



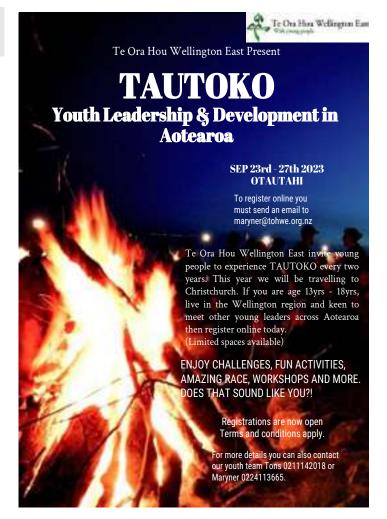
## Free Health Care

The Strathmore Pharmacy Team is thrilled to announce our new winter service contracted by the Ministry of Health -- the Minor Allment Service (MAS), which is an initiative designed to provide convenient and accessible healthcare for minor health conditions, ensuring that children and their families receive the care they need without barriers.

Our experienced pharmacists will consult and provide treatment plans on various conditions, including pain and fever, diarrhoea, dehydration, minor eye inflammation and infections, minor skin infections, eczema or dermatitis, scables, and head lice.

Consultation and treatments under the Minor Allment Service scheme are FREE to children under 14 years of age, whânou members (of any age) experiencing the same symptoms as a child under 14, Community Service Card (CSC) holders, as well as Mācri and Pacific members of our community.

There is no appointment required. Just come to the pharmacy to see us! Our opening hours are Monday to Friday 8:30 - 6:00pm and Saturday 9:00-1:00pm





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Location

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9:00am - 12:00pm

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