Newsletter 8 8 September 2023

#### Kahurangi SCHOOL

**KIA ORA FROM KYRAN** 

#### Mālō e lelei

This week is Tongan language week | Uike Kātoanga'i 'o e Lea Faka-Tonga. This year's theme is 'E tu'uloa 'a e Lea faka-Tongá 'o ka lea'aki 'i 'api, siasí (lotú), mo e nofo-'a-kāingá', which means the Tongan Language will be sustainable if used at home, church and in the wider community. At Kahurangi we've been celebrating by learning from our Tongan students, familiarising ourselves with some common Tongan words and phrases and learning about the richness of the Tongan culture.

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This week is Tongan Language Week! I know 5 things in Tongan. Hello in Tongan is "Malo". Goodbye is "Me'a a". Thank you is Mālō'aupito. Please is "Kātaki" and that's the five. Now I'll tell you about the beautiful island and their animals. Tongan people live on a beautiful island. They even have humpback whales. The humpback whales give birth in Tonga. There are turtles that live in the clear sea. It's one gigantic dream and that dream ends now. By Layla

Tonga has beautiful fish. Tongan people are polynesian. Tonga has humpback whales and coconuts. In Tonga there are turtles and nemo fish (clownfish). Tonga is an island in the Pacific Ocean. Lots of tongan people go to church. Tongan people like to play rugby. Humpback whales swim 50,000 kilo metres from Antarctica to give birth in Tonga. Tonga has lots of pigs, cows and horses. You say Nofoā to say goodbye and Malo to say hi in Tongan. **By Kartel** 



Malo! It is Tongan Language week. Tonga is a small island. Tonga is a small country, it is in the Pacific. There are strong people. They have coconuts in Tonga and mangoes and watermelon. This week I am going to Tonga. By Mohulamu

This week is Tongan Language Week. To say hello in Tongan is "Malo e lei lei". In Tonga there are some coconut trees on the beach and there is a warrior called Maui. There are some beautiful fish in the Pacific Islands and Tongan people like dance. The way to say goodbye in Tonga "Nofo ā". By Jacob

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Last Friday I received a very surprising and special email from a person who had lost their money card and license in the Te Papa carpark. He explained how one of our kaiako picked it up and delivered it to his home. When our teacher dropped it off, she and the man got talking and she mentioned how she was a teacher at our kura. The person hadn't heard of our school but later spent some time looking into our school profile, and following Maddie's kind gesture, a \$5k donation was made to our school from the Vavasour Charitable Trust Board which the man is associated with. The funds are to go towards EOTC experiences. How cool is that?!



Mon 11 Sept

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori starts

### **Tues 12 Sept**

**PSW Futsal Festival** Year 1-4 Tamariki who opted in

## **Tues 19 Sept**

Spellathon money due

## Fri 22 Sept

Last day of Term 4 School finishes at 3pm

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

## Welcome to Kahurangi!

## We have had three new students start with us.

**Mohit** and his family are new to our kura. He and his whānau have moved here from Island Bay. Mohit joins the class that learns with Emma.

**Walter** and his family are also new to Kahurangi. Walter has just turned 5 and joins our youngest class who learn with Natalie.

**Taimana** has turned 5 too! Taimana is the younger brother of Samaria-Mei and Patricia.

A very special welcome each of you and a warm welcome to your whānau. We really hope you are feeling welcome and enjoy being part of our Kahurangi Community.

#### Medicine kept at school



If your child's medicine is stored at the school with authorisation for administration, please visit the school office to verify the current status. Some medications may have expired, others may have been prescribed a while ago, and some children may no longer require them.

#### Out of Zone Enrolments for 2024

The Board invites applications from "out of zone" parents who wish to enrol their child/children at Kahurangi School in 2024.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme. Details are available from the school office or website. An enrolment form can be downloaded from the website, or email office@kahurangi.school.nz

The deadline for receipt of applications is Monday 2 October at 3pm.

The Board has determined that two places are likely to be available for out of zone students in 2024. Applications for out of zone students will be processed according to the Ministry of Education guidelines.

If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the places available, students may be selected by ballot. If a ballot is required it will be held on Wednesday 4 October 2023 and parents will be informed of the outcome.

## NEW DATE

## TEACHER ONLY DAY TERM 4 TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER

The Ministry of Education announced this date late last year, however, they have only recently disclosed the specific time frame within which this day should occur.



#### **Moving Up Ceremony**

We had a small ceremony to celebrate 14 of our five year olds who were moving out of our new entrant class with Natalie 'up' to the next class with Christine. The children (who weren't sick) enjoyed this ceremony and it's been one of the many things that has supported them to make this transition a smooth one.

## PLEASE HELP

Our senior classes have a fun challenge day coming up and we need empty cereal boxes for one of the challenges. If you have some please send them to school.



## **EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM**























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This term we have kicked off our biennial senior school EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) adventures. So far, some of the experiences have included a bush walk, a *Bonobo* gym experience, *Step Out* dance classes and challenging themselves on a high ropes course.

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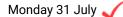
Kia ora Kahurangi Whānau,

# SPELLATHON 2023

We are excited to launch our biennial school Spellathon event, where we encourage our wonderful brains for the benefit of our one and only school fundraiser. We are asking that you encourage and supplearn their words and help them to collect sponsors. We appreciate that children will have differing opportunities sponsors and ask that each person just tries their best.

With this page is your child's list of spelling words to learn, and a sponsor sheet. Your child's teacher has selected a list they believe is the right learning fit and within their capability. There should be some 'easy' ones and some 'harder' ones that will be more of a challenge to learn. If their list proves to be too much of a struggle (or is so easy that they know them in a day or two) please get in touch with your child's teacher so we can give them another. Please note they are tested by having to write each word down rather than spelling it out loud.

#### **Spellathon Timetable:**



#### Word list and sponsor sheets issued

Friday 8 September 🧹

#### Testing day

All children will be tested on their words. Our plan (all going well) is to mark all the tests on the day and send the children home with a score card showing their result. This will enable the children to share their result with their sponsors and collect any money either through the Givealittle page or cash to the school if preferred.



#### **Donations due**

All money collected is to be handed into the school office with your child's sponsor sheet.

#### **Spellathon Prize Giving** A special assembly at 11:30am.

The money raised from the Kahurangi School Spellathon will be put towards after-school sports which all our children get to participate in for free.

#### Prizes

Any amount \$50 \$100 \$200 A small edible treat Virtual Pet (tamagotchi) \$20 Warehouse voucher A sports ball (rugby, football, netball, basketball,volley)

These prizes are cumulative e.g. if a child raises \$202 they will get a small edible treat, a virtual pet, a \$20 Warehouse voucher and a sports ball!

Top collector in every class Top collector in the school Guinness wWorld Records 2024 Book \$100 Warehouse Voucher (for the child) and a \$50 Pak'nSave voucher (for the parents)

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This year money can be donated directly through our Kahurangi School Spellathon Givealittle page (<u>www.givealittle.co.nz</u>) under the name of Kahurangi School, then search the child's name under the letter their first name begins with.

If you have any questions or concerns, please ask at the office. Thank you in advance for your support of this fundraising, fun venture.

Ngā mihi,

Kyran Smith - Principal

# We Vseeing our school band play at our assembly!



# A change to how things work for children on the bus

Children 5 to 12 years old travel free with the Under 13 Free Pass. All children need a green **Snapper card** to apply for this concession. This doesn't automatically apply to the green Snapper. Even if you already have a green Snapper, you need to apply for this concession for your children to ride for free. Under 13 Free Pass expires every 6 months and needs to be renewed, or the regular Child Fare will apply.

If you need help applying for this concession, call the Metlink Contact Centre on 0800 801 700 or our school office staff are also willing to help you. We also have some snapper cards.

#### **Tegan Takes on the World!**

We're excited to share the fantastic news that our former student, Tegan, has earned a spot on the New Zealand Under 19 women's floorball team headed to Finland in May. Join us in celebrating her remarkable achievement as she represents our country on the global stage. Go, Tegan!



An action shot of Tegan!

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#### What's coming up

#### Monday 11 September

**Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori starts** Waka Pūhara & Waka Pahī

#### **Tues 12 September**

**PSW Futsal Festival** Y1-4 tamariki

#### Wednesday 13 September

**Parliament & Reserve Bank Trip** Y8 Tamariki

#### Thursday 14 September

**Kapa Haka** Whānau you are welcome to come and join us! 9:30-10:30am

#### Y7-8 Sleepover

#### Wednesday 20 September

**Duffy Role Model Assembly** 

Thursday 21 September Minute to Win It Challenge Day Senior School

#### Friday 22 September

Last day of term 3 School finishes at the usual time.

#### Next Term

Monday 9 October First day of Term 4



KIWI HOOPS A M P S HOISTIE AT CAPITAL BASETTEAL

All Star Camp: Years 6-8, 25 and 26 Sept, 9am-3pm Bounce Camp: Years 1-3, 27 Sept, 9:30am-12:30pm Swish Camp: Years 3-6, 2 and 3 Oct, 9am-3pm

Capital Basketball are holding three basketball camps over the Term 3 holidays at Walter Nash Stadium for all keen basketballers; for more information check out

https://www.capitalbasketball.org/kiwi-hoops-sign-up or visit their instagram @capitalbasketball

There is also opportunity for those students who would love to go to one of our camps- but has financial difficulties to apply for assistance via the JT Trust. It is a simple process and anyone can apply on behalf of the student (doesn't have to be a family member).

The application form can be found here: <u>https://www.capitalbasketball.org/jt-trust</u>