

# KAI IWI SCHOOL

## NEWSFLASH!

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**Week 3, Term 4**

**1st November 2018**

### *PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT*

Hi Everyone Tena Koutou Katoa

**PET DAY** - Well we were very lucky with the weather on Pet day and everybody that came seemed to enjoy the day. Thanks to all the Pet Day sponsors, teachers, students, and all the parents that helped make our Pet day the success it was.

**SPORT** - Super Six Touch is on next Wednesday at Springvale Park. We have three West Country teams entered. The games start at 12:35 and should be finished by 2:30pm.

Our school athletics day is on the 16<sup>th</sup> November and a team will be chosen to represent our school at the West Cluster Athletics at Cooks Gardens

**MAGICIAN** - Today Vas, the magician, came to our school to perform magic acts with a healthy eating theme. The children had lots of laughs as did the adults as he performed magic tricks interacting with the kids.

**PRINCIPAL & TEACHERS STRIKE** - New Zealand's principals and primary teachers have just voted on what to do to get government action on the current crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers. We're agreed - we can't in good conscience accept the Government's latest collective agreement offer because it does not begin to address the crisis. We have therefore voted for an unprecedented second strike, to be held next month. There will be nationwide rolling strikes over a week, and our region will be striking on... **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November.**

Our school will be closed on that date. While we regret the inconvenience we know this will cause, we need to send a clear message to the Government that we are standing strong for our students. Already children's education is suffering because of the difficulty in recruiting teachers and relievers,

and we must take bold steps to turn this around. The Government recently announced a \$5.5 billion surplus, so there is no reason to make our children wait while the situation deteriorates further. Through our union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, we are asking for:

- Smaller classes, so our children can get more one-on-one attention
- More resources and staffing to adequately support children with additional learning needs – this will benefit all children because teachers will be freed to spend more one-on-one time with every student.
- A significant increase in teachers' salaries so that they are properly valued for their qualifications and responsibilities, and as a country we can recruit and retain teachers.

We appreciate your continued support on this important issue. For more information, please go to <http://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time/> or talk with your child's teacher.

**END OF YEAR PRIZE-GIVING** - End of year prize-giving will be held on Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> Of December from 6:30pm.

Have a great weekend everyone and stay safe.

Ross Harvey, **Principal**



**CLASSROOM**  
- Look at the concentration on Lucy and Charlie's faces as they log into their chrome-book to start reading for the day.

### TOUCH TEAMS

Right, I think we've got teams sorted finally. We no longer have a Yr 3/4 team due to numbers. The children that were left in that team will now be playing for the Yr 5/6 team as we had 2 pull out of that team as well which left them without a full team. We were able to put players up a level, but not down. We hope everyone is happy. :-)

A reminder that the children must wear suitable footwear e.g touch shoes, sneakers. **Not Sprigged rugby boots.**

The teams are:-

**Kai Iwi Gold:-** Hamish Coe, Charlie Stone, Jack Drake, Vinnie Atkinson, Caius Atkinson, Charlie McCracken. **Coach:** Shane Stone

**Kai Iwi Green:-** Angus Jenkins, Finn Lennox, Elizabeth Terrey, Caleb McCracken, Alicia Ross, Connor Garland-Mackenzie, Chase Wall, Cooper Lawrence, Eden Winton and Liam Tanner. **Coach:** Angela McCracken.

Green Team please note:- Angela has arranged for her brother, Nathan Udy, to come and take practices every Monday at 12.30pm. Please make sure you have your Touch gear every Monday.

**Parents, please look up the DRAW on the Sport Whanganui website each week.** I am pretty sure the time is the same each week but the fields may change and obviously your opponents will.

### PET DAY - FOKIS

A big Thank you, Thank you, Thank you to everyone who helped out with Pet Day last Friday.

I would have liked to list all you mama's and papa's but I'm afraid Mrs Wilson may never talk to me again as there is ten's and ten's and ten's of you !!

We really appreciate all that was done before, during and after our latest successful Pet Day. Without your help....it simply wouldn't have happened. Great job everyone.

Cheers,

Louise Hartell, **FOKIS Chairperson.**

### CALENDARS

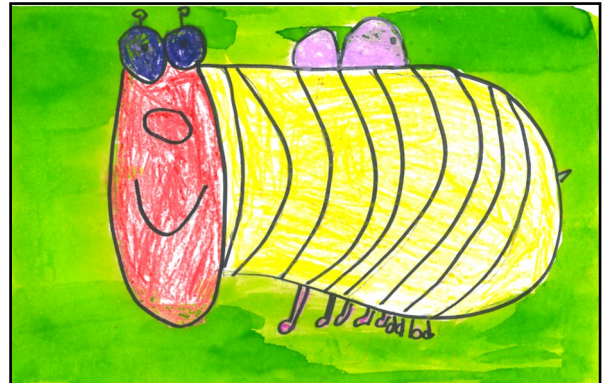
Please see attached an order form for your child(ren)s Calendars (\$10), Cards (\$12 - pack of 6), sketchpads (\$12) and Diaries (\$15).

The students have been working really hard to produce these and they have done some lovely artwork for them.

You can view your child's artwork in either their classroom or the school office.

Please have orders back by NEXT Monday, 5th November, with payment.

Example:-- By Jade, age 6.



*Get some friends together for a great night out and see the film everyone's talking about. See what can be achieved through sheer grit and determination. Come & support the local Rural Women NZ branch so they can give back to the community. Tickets – purchase in advance, no door sales, internet banking available.*

**Embassy 3 Whanganui Premiere**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 7.00pm**

*"A stunning slice of rural life and the gutsy women who share a passion for shearing"*  
Hilary Barry, Seven Sharp

**Purchase in advance from:** Leonora 027 908 5370  
Clare 027 918 8001  
Carol 027 331 6638  
Embassy 3 345 7958

**TICKETS: \$20**  
Incl. drink & nibbles  
Spot prizes