

KAI IWI SCHOOL

NEWSFLASH!

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Week 2, Term 3

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Hi Everyone Tena Koutou Katoa

No doubt you have all been watching the news and are aware that Primary School Teachers and Principals have voted to go on strike on Wednesday the 15th of August.

Tonight we have a Board of Trustees meeting where the Board, without any input from myself or Mrs Harris, will decide on whether the school will be closed or if there are any other options to pursue and we will let you know the outcome on Friday.

Please see Page 3 and 4 for more information.

Mid Term Reports - At the end of term 2 our new Mid-year reports went out and we would like to know if you found them easy to follow and understand or if you think we need to report on something which wasn't included in the report. So next week we will be sending out a simple survey with a few questions for you to answer, as it is important to us that you are part of the report process as it's your children we are reporting on.

Students - Te Awanui has been progressing really well with his rehab in Auckland and will be starting back at Kai Iwi School on Monday. He will only be attending for short spells until he is well enough to return to full days.

Carrissa would like to thank everyone for their ongoing support. She was overwhelmed by kindness and well wishes from everyone.

Staff - Miss Kidd. Tomorrow is Miss Kidd's last day at Kai Iwi School, she has nearly completed 11 years of service to the school and community.

We will be having a morning assembly in the library starting at 9am to say our final goodbyes to her. Everyone is welcome.

Mrs Lennox will be taking over the teaching in the Star Room on Monday and will finish at the end of the year. Mrs Lennox has many years of experience in teaching and her son Finn is at our school in Room 3.

She has already spent two days in the classroom getting to know the children and the classroom set-up and is looking forward to the rest of the year.

If you don't already know Holly Lennox feel free to come in the morning or after school and meet her.

Sport -

Super Six Racquets Sports is on Thursday 23rd of August so we are practising our Squash, Badminton and Tennis every Tuesday afternoon after technology and the children seem to be really enjoying it.

Rugby 7's - Our year 7-8 rugby 7's team have been practising hard for the tournament next week at Springvale Park starting at 10am.

It is a round robin tournament with a finals game at the end. The winning team will play the curtain raiser to a Whanganui Heartland game at Cooks Gardens.

Ross Harvey, **PRINCIPAL**

NETBALL DRAW (this Saturday 4th Aug)

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| 10am | Kai Iwi Gold vs Fordell Kaitoke Speedsters. | Court 10 |
| 11am | Westmere B vs WIS 7B | Court 7 |

Sorry, no HOCKEY draws available today.

UNIFORM ORDERS

**Last day for the next order is
TOMORROW !!**

Mistakes and muck ups happen but we can fix them.
Choose to keep your conversations **WARM**.

W

What happened?

How does what happened fit with how we do things at our school?

What was I thinking about at the time?

What I am thinking now about what happened?

A

Affect

Who was affected by what happened?

Was what happened fair to them?

Was what happened the right thing?

R

Repair

What do I need to do to repair things?

How will this help put things right?

When can this happen?

M

Move Forward

How can we make sure this doesn't happen again?

What do you need to start/stop/stay doing?

If this happens again, what do you think should happen next?

Behaviour Management Plan

Mrs Harris has been working hard to align our behaviour management plan with our school restorative practices approach.

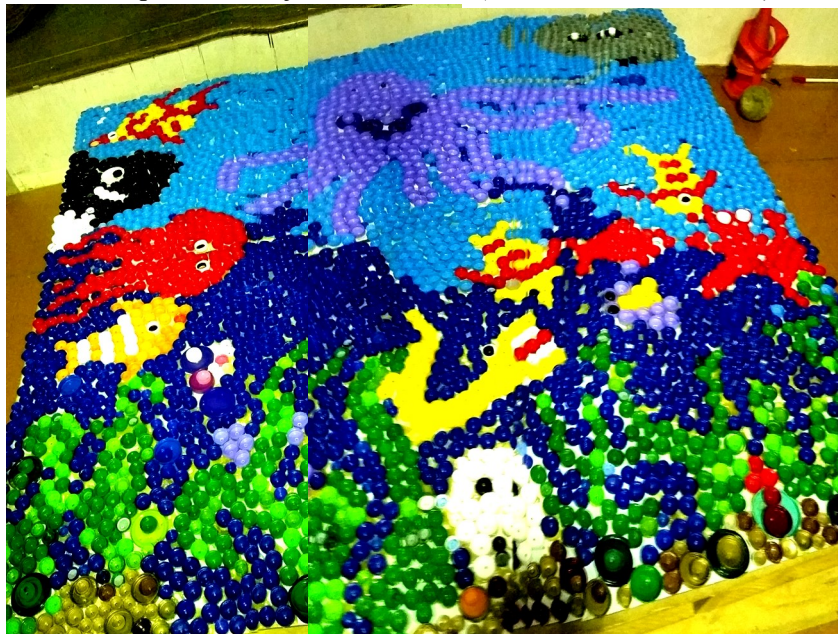
This is an example of the philosophy underpinning Restorative Practices. (Parents can obtain a copy of the plan when it's completed)

TOWN BUS

As most will know, all seats on the town bus are presently taken. We do have some on the waiting list for a seat as well as casual users enquiring daily.

Parents of town bus children, please let Jane know **ASAP** if your child will not be requiring their seat on any morning or afternoon as these others would be grateful to not have to make the trip out to school. Thank you.

The completed mural for the Pool area (see last week's newsletter).



HORIZONS PEST CONTROL

We have had notification from Horizons that they will be undertaking ground-based possum control in our zone - up to Nukumaru and through Brunswick, Westmere and Aramoho.

If you would like to view the maps they have sent, or get a copy, please ask Wendy in the office.

NZEI Te Riu Roa

Primary School Teachers and Principals

Strike - Wednesday 15th August.

For Your Information:-

Fixing the teacher shortage crisis

Schools are struggling to attract and retain great teachers. There is also a drop in the number of people choosing to train as teachers. This is happening because of years of political undervaluing of the profession. It won't just fix itself

What we want

- **Significant pay increases** for teachers and principals over the course of the agreement.

Time to teach, time to lead

Teachers and principals are facing immense pressure thanks to enormous workloads and more responsibilities without any additional staffing or time.

There aren't enough resources available for supporting children with additional learning needs.

Teachers and principals need time to teach, and time to lead.

What we want

- **Significant increases** to staffing available to all schools to support leaders, classroom teachers and teachers working with students with additional learning needs.

Fixing issues with relativities and career development

Options for career development can vary a lot from school to school, which means that teachers aren't getting the same chances to grow in the profession.

At the moment, there are some issues with relativity, and there is limited recognition for teachers and principals with specialist skills.

Both these factors are contributing to the teacher shortage crisis.

What needs to change

- Fix existing **pay arrangements** for principals
- Fix existing **relativity** issues
- Create **meaningful new career options** for teachers and principals



IT'S TIME YOUR CHILDREN HAD THE EDUCATION THEY DESERVE

You send your children to school to help set them up for life. Yet, schools are facing a teacher shortage crisis, with a 40% drop in people training to be teachers; and a growing number of school-aged children. Schools are struggling to find enough staff to teach our children.

There is also a desperate need for more support for children with additional learning needs. There just aren't enough teachers to give your kids the education they deserve.

WHAT WE ARE CAMPAIGNING FOR?

- * **More teachers – so your kids can get more attention**
- * **More resources/staff to support children with additional learning needs**
- * **A pay jolt to salaries for teachers to address the teacher shortage – so that your children will have a teacher in the future**

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!