

KAI IWI SCHOOL

NEWSFLASH!

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Hi Everyone Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome - I wish to welcome Fletcher Hodge, our latest New Entrant, and his family to our school. We hope you enjoy your school days at Kai Iwi.

Staff - Welcome back Mrs Harris. Your students were very happy to see you as you scooted in to school on Monday.

Mrs Ryland, our Teacher Aide, is currently working with groups of students excelling in mathematics from different year levels throughout the school. Yesterday, I listened in to one of the lessons and I was quite amazed at how focused, keen and determined the students were to solve the mathematical problems in front of them.

I also observed Mrs Carson, our other Teacher Aide, with a small group of learners this week and I must say she teaches the students with a lot of enthusiasm and passion and is always sharing their successes with me.

We are so lucky to have such competent Teacher Aides to back up our teaching staff. Keep up the great work Sheryl and Jane.

Student Leadership - It is very pleasing to see as I walk around the playground during interval and lunchtime, how many of our senior students are showing leadership qualities.

Just this week on two separate occasions I observed a senior boy teaching some juniors how to pass and catch a ball, and another boy earlier in the week sorting out a little disagreement between a group of juniors who all listened intently to him and then all went off happily on their way. And I didn't have to say a word.

At technology, some of the more able students have been offering their help to the students that find parts of the course difficult. This was brought to my attention by the technology teacher and the students that were being assisted.

Great effort seniors!

Sport - Super Six Swimming was held last Friday at the Splash Centre and we finished in 4th position. We are hoping for another fun swimming day on the 27th when we have our West Cluster swimming day.

Super Six Softball is coming up on the 12th April and all the seniors are practising hard to make one of the teams. Also on the 12th of April we have the West Cluster Tabloid Sports Day at Cooks Gardens for the years 1-3.

Techni - Next week Techni will be on Wednesday (28th Mar) due to swimming being on Tuesday.

Kai iwi's School Board of Trustees

For those new to the school let me introduce our Board members:-

Kerry Terrey	Chairperson
Bruce Jones	
Dinelle Saunders	
Carrissa Brown	
Helen McDougal	
Raylene Harris	Teacher
Ross Harvey	Principal

Board meetings are usually the first Thursday of each month from 4pm.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Ross Harvey, **Principal**

EASTER BREAK

Please Note: Our Easter break is from Friday, 30th March, until TUESDAY, 3rd April.

We return to school on the Wednesday.



Tēnā koutou katoa,

It is wonderful to be back with the amazing children in Room 2! I've missed their smiling faces, their energy, and their endless curiosity about the world around them. This week we have been:

- settling into our new routines
- learning our Pepeha
- finding out about some Wacky Animal Adaptations
- solving a murder mystery for maths
- having an 'Epic' time reading
- and hearing all about 'A boy in the girl's bathroom'

Ngaa mihi, *Raylene Harris*



The Real Meaning of FOKIS (Friend Of Kai Iwi School)

FOKIS is a parent driven group and a vital part of Kai Iwi School. During the time I have been involved with this school, as a parent and as a Teacher, the FOKIS Group have been responsible for many of the extras the children receive. These are things that the MOE do not fund and include the current updates to the pool, including the cover, the bike track, the playground equipment, the shade sail, funding a Teacher Aide, hosting social events and enabling school trips to take place.

FOKIS is totally dependent on the enthusiastic and dedicated parents at the school to initiate and co-ordinate the fundraising activities which will help our children have amazing facilities and opportunities.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the past families who have contributed to our FOKIS team, and given so much.

Please can you give your support to FOKIS so that we can continue to provide for our children. Come along to our informal meeting next Tuesday, 27th March, at 4.45 pm or contact Louise Hartell (027 697 2408) or myself. Look forward to seeing you there.

Debra Baker, Rm 1 Teacher

FOKIS REPORT

How are you all going with selling those PIES?? Only one week to go so get out visiting your family, friends and neighbours. Remember we have an Easter basket (see pic) for the family who sell the most orders. All orders and \$\$\$ to be in to office by 12pm Thursday so we can find our winner.

FOKIS meeting next Tuesday -

we have decided to have it before Rm 4's camp meeting seeing as some of you parents will already be coming down to the school. See you at 4.45pm in the library. This meeting is in regards to fundraising for quiz night and I require helpers for the pig hunt also. Look forward to seeing you there.



Louise Hartell, FOKIS Chairperson

REMINDERS:-

Uniform Naming

Please remember to name all uniform and check regularly that the names haven't disappeared in the wash.

Permission Slips

Last week several permissions went out for:- Inspire Programme, General Permissions, Netball & Hockey, ICAS (Yrs6,7&8) Please return ASAP.



Year 7's on Lake Pauri learning the art of sailing. Great fun!!