

KAI IWI SCHOOL

NEWSFLASH!

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Tena Koutou Katoa, Hi Everyone,

New Term - Well here we are term three upon us already and this term is a short term with only 9 weeks. The teachers are going to be very busy fitting in so many fun activities, new learning programmes, school trips and don't forget the senior camp at the end of the term.

Welcome - I wish to welcome three new children and their families to Kai Iwi School. Our new students are Aeryn (Rm2) and Rowan (Rm3) Drakefield and Lyzz Barry (Rm4). We hope your school days at Kai Iwi are very rewarding and lots of fun.

Parent/Teacher Interviews - A note went out yesterday advising you all of our parent/teacher interviews. This is an opportunity for parents to sit down and discuss their child's progress with the teacher.

It is important as a parent and for your child for you to know how your child is progressing and where their strengths and weaknesses are, that's why twice a year we send out a National Standards written report and just after the mid year report we give you the opportunity to come and discuss the report with the classroom teacher.

Please Note - Children will be supervised on Tuesday from 1pm until 3pm on the day of parent interviews. Any parent who has booked to see a teacher between 1 - 3pm may take their child(ren) home after their interview if you wish.

ICT - At the end of last term the school purchased 20 new Chrome books and a computer charging trolley capable of charging 30 Chrome books at a time. This trolley is also lockable which gives some security to our new purchase.

I also applied for a grant with Powerco Wanganui Trust and I am pleased to announce they have

approved my application and will allow us to purchase some more Chrome books to add to our twenty.

We have already had some professional development in regards to the many programmes and uses a Chrome book possesses and this will be on going. The boys class trialled the new devices yesterday, signing in using their new personal passwords for the first time.

When we are further along and using the new educational apps which are available across the curriculum, we will be inviting parents in to see how the students are engaging and how their learning has been enhanced through the use of up to date programmes which can run on these new devices.

Property - Over the holidays I had a contractor come in and paint the netball and tennis courts as the lines had faded over the years and were nearly non-existent. ***It now looks great!*** The cost of the painting will be paid for from the money raised from the local pig hunt which took place last term, so thanks very much to Carrissa (Board Member) and the parents who helped on the day, you have all contributed to our nice new painted courts.

Sport - The Super Six year 7-8 programme is underway again with the Racquet sports day tournament on Thursday the 18th of August.

We are currently practicing Badminton, Squash and Tennis every Tuesday after technology.

The numbers are limited so only some children will be selected for the actual tournament.

Health - Dinelle Saunders (Board member) applied for a grant to have a Defibrillator stationed at our school and to be available to the public when the need may arise. I am glad to say the grant from

Fonterra Grassroots was successful and we are now in the possession of the portable defibrillator. Well done Dinelle and thank you Fonterra Grassroots.

Board of Trustees - I have had my first meeting with the new Board and they are all enthusiastic and looking forward to working hard and making the decisions that are needed to be made to build a com-

munity of caring, enthusiastic discoverers and creators for today and tomorrow.

to be the best we can be

Ross Harvey
Principal

SPORT

Hockey Report - Yesterday our Kai Iwi hockey team played St Anne's. I was unable to be there so I passed the coaching hat over to my husband. The funny thing was, the coach of St Anne's was one of my husbands workers so there was some strong competitive talk across the turf! The team did very well and came away with a 4-0 win with Lucas and Josh scoring 2 goals each. Well done to you all.

Renee Henry

Hockey Draw - Wed, 3rd August

Fun Sticks: (Alice & Logan)

3.40pm vs St Johns Blue City College 2

Kiwi Sticks:

5.55pm vs Wanganui East Gonville

Netball Draw - Sat, 30th July

9am Kai Iwi A vs St Mary's A Court 6

Remember to be there at least 20mins before your game.

Draw for Yr 3/4 team wasn't on website so not sure about this team. Please check with your coach.

REMINDER

Just a reminder that we are doing training for Cross Country every day so please ensure your child has appropriate shoes to wear. Thank you.



FOKIS FIREWOOD RAFFLE



With this cold weather we're experiencing I'm sure many of you need firewood - and winning it is even better!! There are still several tickets available in this raffle. Tickets are \$5 each so send your money along to school in an envelope marked 'Raffle' plus your name and we shall send you home your ticket.

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Forms for Parent / Teacher interview appointments went out yesterday (orange). Please have them back by MONDAY at the latest. You are more likely to get the time you wish if you return them ASAP.



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Sounds Fun!

We have planned a whole school trip to the Museum, Art Gallery and Resource Recovery Centre for Thursday 11 August which will launch this term's Integrated Topic "Sounds Fun". The purpose of the visit is to explore traditional Maori musical instruments – Taonga Puoro, view art inspired by music and create an artwork from recycled materials.

We know this trip will inspire us in our learning about the phenomena of Sound.

We will travel by bus and private car so will need your help with transport and supervision.

If you are able to assist with transport, **please indicate on the return slip below by Friday 5 August.**

The children will need to wear full school uniform with shoes (no gumboots!). They will need to bring a cut lunch and morning tea along with a bottle of water.

We will depart school at 9am sharp so please be at school on time. We will return in time for the afternoon buses. For those of you in town you have the option of not coming out to Kai Iwi and for your children to go directly to their first venue.



Regards

Jenny Foote, Deputy Principal



Sounds Fun Day Out Thursday, 11th August

I give permission for my child(ren) _____

to take part in the Sounds Fun Day Out trip to the Museum, Art Gallery and Resource Recovery Centre.

I am **able** / **unable** to assist with transport and have room for _____ passengers with seatbelts in a vehicle which has a current WOF and registration.

I live in town and can transport my child to and from the Big Day Out venues and could take _____ children who live in town.

Name _____

Phone _____

