

KAI IWI SCHOOL

Community Newsletter



Week 4 Term 3 - 16th August 2018

You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough.
Mae West

Hi Everyone,

It only seems like yesterday I was setting up for the new term and it's already week four! Must be true...time flies when you're having fun, and there's plenty of that to be had at school. Just ask those little tradies I see hard at work in their construction area building

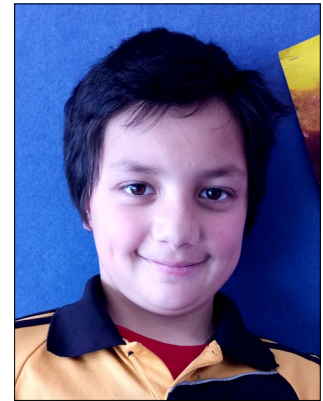
all kinds of wonderful things. You are doing a great job under the guidance of chief tradie Gary Wilson – thanks Gary!

What a blessing it is to see Te Awanui back at school, if only for short spells, and know he is well on the road to recovery. We hope you are also feeling a lot better soon, Carissa, and can get back to some sort of normality.

Our integrated topic focus for this term is 'Disasters' and how various emergency services respond to help those in need. We have involved emergency personnel such as the Police, Red Cross/Civil Defence and the Fire Brigade to support us in our learning about disaster response, and the kids have really enjoyed the sessions they have provided. The Junior school visited the Fire Station on Tuesday, and the Seniors will be visiting there today. We really appreciate the effort these outside educators go to in supporting the programmes we are delivering. The senior classes are learning about NZ Disasters so that when we visit Tangiwai, the Volcanic Centre and the Buried Village whilst on camp, we will have some background knowledge to help deepen our understanding. We are also visiting the National Army Museum at Waiouru where we will learn how the army respond to disasters, and we will learn about desalination of water for when fresh water is scarce, amongst many other wonderful learning experiences at the museum.

Senior camp is not far away now and everyone is starting to get excited about all the great activities we have planned. I would like to once again

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Kai Iwi Kid*



**I love Kai Iwi School and the
values that I learn here.**
Te Koha Hill, Room 2

acknowledge the parents who have put so much effort into our various fundraisers to help provide a huge subsidy to camp funds for everyone. And we are very grateful to anyone who has supported us by buying raffle tickets for firewood and the Pamper Hamper, Hangi Meals and the sausage sizzle. We had wonderful feedback about our Hangi meals and requests that we do it again! The Pamper Hamper raffle tickets are almost all sold, so we will be able to draw that soon – what great prizes they are!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have been supporting our provision of fortnightly school lunches. Many of you have cooked, baked, provided ingredients or been there on the Friday mornings to organise the lunches – well done, we really appreciate your wonderful support.

Hamish McDougal has given up much of his time recently to coach our Rugby 7s team which competed in a tournament on Wednesday, 8 August. The team, which included two very capable girls, Emma and Lexie, played really well and only lost one game to South Makirikiri, who went on to become the competition winners. Hamish, Ross and parent supporters thoroughly enjoyed a competition that was played with great spirit and sportsmanship. Congratulations to Mac Lawrence for winning player of the day (highest try scorer), and Sam McDougal for winning tackler of the day. Many thanks to Hamish for all the time and effort he put in to coaching the team.

You may have seen our students pounding the

footpath in training for the upcoming cross country competitions. Our school competition is next Wednesday, 22 August, followed by the West Cluster competition at Westmere School on Friday, 31 August. We would love to have your support at these events.

The Senior Super 6 competition involves racquet sports this term, so every Tuesday after Technology lessons our students have been coached in either tennis, badminton or squash in preparation for the competition. Many thanks to Graeme Feist and Neville Hopkins for supporting us by coaching badminton and tennis, and to Mr Harvey for coaching the squash team.

At the end of week two Miss Kidd resigned her position as teacher in the STAR room to take up a new position at the YMCA. We had a nice fare-

well assembly and later on a farewell dinner. We hope she enjoys her new job and all is going well. Holly Lennox, Finn's mum, has taken up the position of teacher in the STAR room and has settled in well with her class of lovely students. We hope you enjoy your time as one of the team at Kai Iwi School, Holly.

We also welcome to our school Keitha Pokiha who is a student teacher working in Room 2 during her placement at Kai Iwi school. We hope you enjoy your time with us Keitha, and gain valuable insight, support and lovely memories on your journey to becoming a teacher.

Well, that's all for now. I hope to see you at assembly tomorrow at 9.05am in the library.

Cheers,

Trish Wakeling



Hi Everyone, Tena Koutou Katoa

Thanks Mrs Wakeling for another very informative Community Newsletter. We sure are a busy school with so much going on each term. School was never this much fun when I was at primary school.

Talking about fun, look at the concentration on Sam and Mason's face as they code their robot ready for the final programme to see if their robots will go around the track. Mrs Harris's partner Rick has come into Room 2 to help teach the students to code and programme from time to time. Thanks Rick, the students really enjoy learning the new skills.



These three guys, Kace, Charlie and Mackay from Room 1 are working hard on their mathematics, while Mrs Baker listens intently to Charlie explain how he got the answer.



Uniform - Please remember to make sure your child wears the correct uniform to school - black shorts or long trousers. No other colours please.

School starts at 9am so could you please have your child here by 8:50 am ready to start the day. Students who arrive after 9am disrupt the morning set up and the teachers are then having to waste precious teaching time to go over the instructions once again to the late comers.

Some people say 'BETTER LATE THAN NEVER' but I say 'NEVER LATE IS BETTER'

I had three visitors last week to our school, two were new parents wanting to enrol their children at Kai Iwi School and the other visitor was from the Ministry of Education. They all commented on the



warm and friendly welcomes they received from some of our children when they entered and left the school. Well done everyone!

I also received some really positive feedback in regards to our Kiwi Sticks hockey team's sportsmanship. I was told by two parents that children from

our team were playing a team that hadn't played before and were giving them advice and positive remarks throughout the game. This is awesome to hear well done!

Ross Harvey, **PRINCIPAL**



7's team training with Hamish McDougal.



Hogan's birthday surprise.



Red Cross Visit - Disaster Response Education. Lexie in a rescue stretcher.



Police visit - Disaster Response education. - Oliver getting 'Fitted-Up'

Room 4 Activities



7's team after a muddy and rainy practice - "No, you can't come back in the classroom!"



Super 6 Badminton practice.



Miss Kidd's farewell assembly.

HOCKEY - Kwik Sticks (Kai Iwi Black) -

Tuesday was our last game of Hockey for this year and it saw us in a final against St Anne's. Last week we came out strong and beat St Anne's for the first time this season so we knew going into the final this week we could give them a run for their money. Unfortunately we didn't get the win (5-3) but the kids gave it their all and left nothing but pride and their hearts on the turf. I would like to say just how proud I am of you all. You have endured my screaming from the side-lines and my 'not a clue coaching styles' but I have enjoyed every bit of the season. I have had most of you under my wing for around 4 years now and I, along with your parents, have seen just how far you all have grown and achieved in this time to become a well oiled unit together. I hope to see you all back again next season raring to go for your last year when you take to the turf as Kai iwi kids before you all head off to college. It may be silver this year but let's go out next year and get that GOLD !!!! Certificates will be handed out at assembly tomorrow. Thank you and well done Kai iwi Senior Hockey team.

Renee Henry, **Coach/Manager**

L to R:- Rakei, Luka, Mason, Lucas, Tamauiira, Yuri, Seth, Renee.



Kiwi Sticks (Kai Iwi Gold) - A big thanks to all my hockey team they all played really well and just got better as the season went on there last game they won 4/0 Caleb scored all 4 goals.

Nathan Udy, **Coach**

We wish to say a huge THANK YOU to both Renee and Nathan for the awesome job you have done with the teams this season. You are much appreciated.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

These are to be taken on Thursday, 6th September. Your child(ren) will have their personal envelopes to bring home today. Please request a Team envelope or Sibling envelope if you are wanting these photos.



L to R: Liam, Alicia, TJ, Mack, Joe, Caleb, Seth