



Te Kauwhata Primary School

Panui ~ Newsletter 8

17 May 2017

Kia ora koutou

What a very muddy and wet time we all had last Friday for our Year 3-6 Tough Guy n Gal trials! Congratulations to all the children who braved to conditions - it sure was a mud run! Thank you and well done to those parents and whanau who also came along to support the children. Forty children have now been invited to compete in the inter-school event in Ngaruawahia in a few weeks and we look very forward to it.

As many of you will be aware there are major roadworks happening along Mahi Road as part of the stormwater system upgrade. We have been advised that access to Wira Street (the road the main school entrance is on) may be affected from next Monday. More information will be passed onto you as we get it. We appreciate there may be some inconvenience for those of you who pick your children up needing to park further away, but thank you in advance for your co-operation.

This would also mean the bus children may need to board and disembark from the bottom gate (by the senior playground) on Mahi Road. There will be an area coned off to allow the buses to pull in, so we ask that you do not park in this space. Normal bus procedures will continue as usual.

Otherwise it is business and learning as usual! Please double check your child's uniform jacket is clearly named so we can avoid the high volume of lost property uniform items that we continue to accumulate.

Nga mihi nui
Vicki and team

Term dates 2017

Term 2:

Monday 1 May -
Friday 7 July

Term 3:

Monday 24 July -
Friday 29
September

Term 4:

Monday 16
October - Friday
15 December

Public Holidays 2017

Monday 5 June -
Queens Birthday

Monday 23
October - Labour
Day

Nga Toi - Arts programme

We continue our Nga Toi (The Arts) programme across the school. All children will be involved in either dance, drama or music lessons that support creativity and expression. The programme also reflects Tuakana Teina, whereby older students support those younger.

The years 3-6 programme will run between 11.45am and 12.55pm each Friday with the years 1-2 programme running between 2.00 and 2.30pm on Fridays.

The years 1-2 children will rotate around all teachers to begin with then choose one aspect to focus on.

As a school we look forward to presenting you with a cultural arts extravaganza at the end of next term to celebrate this exciting learning.

Whole School Photo - Photolife

Last term we had the opportunity to have a whole school photo taken. This was quite an undertaking organising all the students and staff but went extremely well.

Should you wish to purchase this photo as a keepsake from your child's time at Te Kauwhata Primary the photo is available to purchase for \$25, we also have a proof to view. Please call into the office and see Brenda or Louise. Please order before Friday the 26th of May.

We are having a clean out of second hand uniform:

Second hand vests(Jacket with no sleeves) available: two of each of size 6, 8 and 12, call into the office. \$10 each. First come first serve.

Second hand Jackets: two of each size 6,8 and 12 available at \$10 each. First come first serve.

Girls skorts (skirt shorts) 2 x Size 6 and 4 x Size 10 - \$10 each.

1 x Boys Long parts Size 8 - \$10.

Sharing our learning...

We are proud to share student learning with you all.

Every fortnight some of our students share their writing. These Learning Hub students are sharing about their recent fishing trip.

The Fishing Trip

It was Friday at 4.30am in the morning. Dad woke me up I had to jump up out of bed ready to go fishing I threw my stuff in the car and drove to school grabbed my junk out of the car and waited for the others to arrive at least I wasn't last or late that's good. We were going to Coromandel to fish for fun with the learning hub's writing group. Once everyone was at school we hopped in the vans, boys in one girls in the other. When we were all in the van we drove to Coromandel. Billi and I were loud, Miss Mills kept on telling us to be quiet. Lots of people slept through all that noise.

Next when we were at Coromandel we walked down the hill with our bags and chilli bins onto the boat. When we were all on the boat the captain drove us to the mussel farm. Once the boat was moving most people's hair went everywhere only girls though and it was cold! When we got to the mussel farms there was another boat that was collecting the mussel's for us to buy at the supermarket. The boat was making lots of foamy water.

Anyway we started fishing. We didn't get much bites but Ethan caught a fish. After that the Captain decided to move so me moved. Again it was really rough so we went somewhere else. It was nice and calm there so we stayed there for the rest of the day. We put down our rods and started fishing again. We all started to get bites, but the fish were stealing our bait.

Finally we caught two fish. We got photos with our fish. My fish was slimey and spiky. The best part of the day was when I caught my fish because I got to take it home and eat it. It was yum!

By Holly Gane

The Fishing Trip

On Friday the 6th of May we went on a fishing trip. We had had to wake up at ten to five in the morning. My dad woke me up and I got all my stuff but when I opened my bag was it was already packed. I knew my mum packed it but I forgot. Before I went to school my mum said bye and then my dad dropped me off at school.

When we got there I put my bag and fishing supplies into the van. When everyone got there, we started driving to the Coromandel. I told Ethan should we have a challenge. Our challenge was to stay awake until we past Thames.

"Let's do it."

Ethan and I were just talking about what it's going to be like on the charter boat and the dangerous and fun roads we were going to take until we got to the Coromandel. There were cliff roads for about half an hour, ginormous hills as well as long and small bridges and small and big towns. We talked about other stuff as well.

When we got there we got our bag and fishing supplies out of the van. We walked down the ramp and then started walking down the wharf to the charter boat. We all got into a line and walked onto the boat and put our stuff onto the seats. As soon as everyone was on the boat, we drove to the mussel farms and started fishing. After we put the bait on the hook/hooks, we all were waiting for fish to come on to the hook/hooks. Ethan got a bite and he pulled it up. Then he measured his fish and it was big enough to keep. And then kids started saying to Ethan, "how do you fish?" "Put it in the water and wait for a fish".

A couple of hours later my fishing rod in the water I pulled my fishing rod out of the water and I said "I give up" and then sam said

"no don't give up put more bait on it and put in the water then put the line to the bottom".

A couple of seconds after that I got a big bite. When I got it up we had to stab it in the head then I picked it up for a photo. I got the catch of the day. We started fishing for the rest of the day. When we finished we went back to the van. Then we went back to school for half an hour then we went home. I felt good because I got the catch of the day.

By Trey Evans

Important dates...

- Board of Trustees meeting - Wednesday 17th May, 6.30pm
- Next PTA meeting Wednesday 6th June at 7pm
- Junior Tough Guy and Girl Challenge in Ngaruawahia Friday 9th June
- Term 2 finishes Friday 7th of July

Join the Parent Teacher Association

The PTA meets in the school staffroom on the first Wednesday of the month, excluding school holidays. This year our big focus is organising the school Gala, held in November.

We welcome new members and new ideas. Please pop in to a meeting, email us at pta@tkp.school.nz or call Jo on 027 471 7623 or Sandra on 022 657 7613.

Meeting dates:

Wed 6 June – 7pm

Wed 2 Aug – 7pm

Wed 1 Nov – 7pm

Wed 5 Jul – 7pm

Wed 6 Sept – 7pm October special Gala Meeting TBC

Wed 6 Dec – 7pm

SOW SPRING VEGETABLES



Traditionally Matariki is about harvesting and preparing the land for next spring. Try sowing vegetables like broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage and spinach.



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DID YOU KNOW?

Matariki is the Maaori name for the cluster of stars known as Pleiades. Historically, if the stars were clear and bright it was a sign that a productive planting season lay ahead.



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Te Kauwhata Childcare



4 Learning Centre

Now offering **30 hours FREE**

Conditions apply

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Ph: 626 3280 ■ Email: tkchildcare@xtra.co.nz

JUNIOR GIRLS RUGBY

SMALL FERNS TO ALL FERNS
(U6 – U13)

GIRLS DAY OUT

**Sunday 21 May 2017, hosted at KARAKA RUGBY
FOOTBALL CLUB**

Girls there is a grade for you..

**Tournament competition style with round robin tournament
games**

**Enter your ALL girls teams through your club OR turn up on
the day...**



**More information on how to join a team, please
contact...**

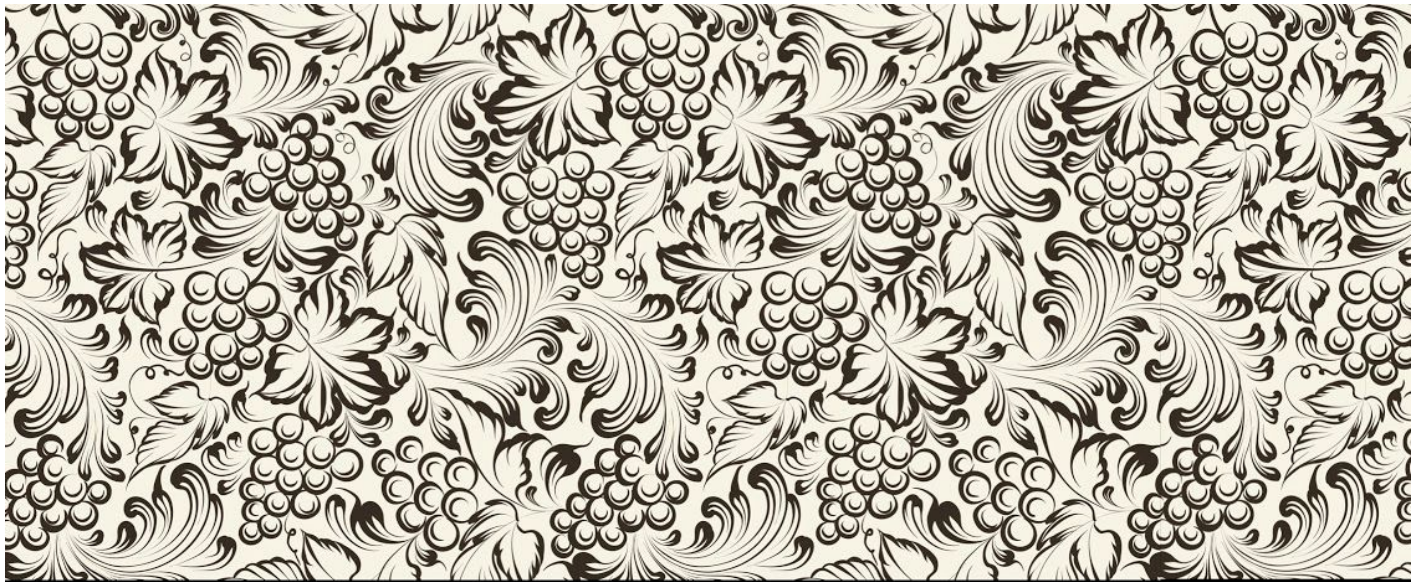
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Te Kauwhata & Districts Information and Support Centre's

21st Anniversary Fundraiser

Saturday 27 May - 6.30pm

Te Kauwhata Rugby Club

Celebrate our past, safeguard our future

We assist an average of 30 people a day through budgeting, strengthening families, emergency assistance, hospice, plunket rooms and more. Support us so we can continue to support you & your loved ones.

Guest speaker - Invivo Wines
Smart dress - Black & white theme
Live entertainment, silent auction,
dinner, dancing & more

Tickets \$50 per person
Book on 07 826 4303
or tk.disc@xtra.co.nz

Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

ASB lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. To be eligible for this donation your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between 1 January 2017 and 30 June 2017. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property provided to ASB. This home loan offer is only available on loans secured by an owner-occupied residential property. Only one donation will be given per customer. Donations will be made by ASB on behalf of the customer to the chosen school upon full draw down of the new home loan. This offer excludes loans for business purposes and bridging.

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Give your kids a 'head start' with FREE early childhood education

Do you have a 3 or 4 year olds' not involved in early childhood education?

Do you want to access **free** early childhood education so your child has a 'head start' before starting school?

Kōwhai will support families to:

- Access early childhood within Waikato district
- Provide support with transition to school

If you would like to know more about this **free** service, please contact Stephanie on:

Phone: 0800 323 543 OR 027 4551 775

Email: stephanie@kowhai.biz



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Te Tira o Kōwhai

Do you want to make a difference in a child's life?

Child, Youth and Family are currently looking for people in this area who can offer safe, caring, stable homes for young people in need of short term care, time out over weekends and/or holidays, or a home for life.

Our team will support you to understand and manage the challenges of fostering a young person, and we will be there with you to celebrate the successes.

You may be surprised; you could be just the right person to offer your care to a young person who needs you!

If you are interested in finding out more, or know someone who may be interested, or if you think you might be able to help in some other way then we would love to hear from you!

Please call Johnson Taoho, Care Services Manager, on 07 957 4740 or email johnson.taoho001@cyf.govt.nz



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