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Māui Tikitiki out exploring our Taiao and enjoying their bike ride last week Photo credit Kōkā Vicky

We ❤️ Te Taiao



Tēnā koutou katoa

Our first full week back at kura. On the front page Māui Tikitiki get out and about on their bikes to enjoy and explore our local Taiao. Above - Whare Taonga students focus in on their new pukapuka for the day with Kōkā Jeanette.

Covid19 updates for you

Thank you to all the parents who have supported the **mask wearing** in school this year when in the school and with students coming to kura. Some senior students are forgetting their masks, please remind them to bring a mask to school. Junior students are also encouraged to wear a mask if they wish. Teachers are giving students daily reminders to wash their hands, dry them, use hand sanitiser and space out in the classroom and outside as well. Students who are not feeling well with flu like symptoms should also remain at home.

Drop offs at the gate

Yesterday was our first day of drop offs and pick ups at the gate. Not a problem to our little ones, they loved taking themselves off to class. Please be assured that your tamariki do know where their classroom is and who their Kōkā or Matua is. If you are worried, post a message on your class page if your child needs a reminder from the kaiako. We are trying to cut down on foot traffic in our school grounds doing RED Covid settings.

Students Isolating at home

Whānau who have been advised by Hauora Tairāwhiti or the Ministry of Health to isolate at home can receive distance learning programmes for their tamariki to continue learning during their isolation period. These are the only students that we will provide distance learning packs for. Everyone else should be coming to kura. If you do have a COVID case in your whare with students attending our kura, Hauora Tairāwhiti will provide you and the kura with guidance and next steps. We will keep all whānau informed.

Further to this to keep you informed we do have two tamariki who have tested positive to COVID that attend our kura. Public health have been in contact with us and have advised that there is no current risk to the people in our school as the whānau had been isolating at home during the infectious period. Learning as usual at Kaiti!

COVID19 Vaccination Clinic

**This Friday @ the
Hall**

More details below

This Clinic will be
facilitated by Ngati Porou
Hauora from 8.30am

For all parents wishing to have
their tamariki vaccinated this
coming Friday at kura.

Please come to the school hall
via the back gate entrance.

Park out on the road.

Wear your mask.

There will be a coned off
pathway for you to the hall.

Your tamariki will be called up
when you arrive for their
vaccinations.

Every child to be vaccinated,
must have the written
permission of their parent or
guardian. There is a form to
complete.

Parents can also get their
vaccinations or booster shots
this Friday.

We will have staff present
through out the day to manaaki
whānau and tamariki.

Depart the back gate.

Tane te Mahara doing
their last minute Health and
Safety checks before their bike
ride out on the cycle way.

Looking after our **Hauora**
Being active is
fun 😊



Sport Academy Updates

The **Surf Academy** had a fun start last Friday catching many waves. Matua Hamuera was very pleased with the turn out and the high levels of support from whānau. Thank you all for coming along. Surfing this week is on Friday morning again. Please be there by 7.45am for prep time. Next week it will be on Thursday morning.

Swimming Academy have been swimming for two weeks now. Trainings are in full swing and once again we have a huge group of whānau supporting with drop offs, pick ups and breakfasts. Remember that we need tamariki and parents to be wearing masks when doing drop offs back to kura please for these groups.

Rugby Academy musters are coming up next week on Tuesday for Years 3-8 students from 2.40pm to 3.30pm. Whanau please be reminded to wait at the back gate or the front car park for your tamariki to complete their trainings. The coaches will send these students out to wait at the front gate at the conclusion of training.

Netball, Soccer and Hockey Musters will commence in week 5a couple of weeks away.

Every Kaiti kid swims each week. Year 0-1s swim in our Kaiti pool, years 2-4 swim at Elgin and our Seniors swim at the Olympics. We are lucky to have COMET coaches taking our students through the Swim for Life programme. Please check with your child's teacher for swim days.

Puku ora Lunches

Students are enjoying the summer Puku ora menu. They have had a delicious range of lunches so far, like build your own taco lunch, corned silverside salad sandwiches with yoghurt, fish, rice and salad, chicken nuggets with salad and chicken subs. If your child has an allergy, please come into the office to sign a Puku Ora allergy form to ensure that your child receives the right kai.



We ❤️ love to

Whare Atawhai

Taking time to Pause,
Breathe and Smile with
some Yoga. Feeling
balanced, focussed, calm
and peaceful.



Update your contact details

Having your updated phone contact details and your address is so important should there be an emergency at kura. If we do not have your current details, please drop them into us at the office.

We love Te Taiao

This week we were excited to learn more about Te Taiao - our environment, it's beauty, those that live in it, the close connection tangata whenua have to the land, the challenges our Taiao faces and how we as people can look after our Taiao for the next generation. Kaiako are planning for your tamariki to spend more time outside learning and getting active as well.

Kōkā Bev's banking update

There were 36 bankers last week. It is great to see some tamariki that haven't banked for awhile start up again. If any of your tamariki vaguely remember banking a long time ago, and wish to start up again, we may still have their bank account number, so send them to see me so I can order a new bank deposit book. Welcome to our most recent new bankers. Bryshone and Rakai from Whare Korero, Isabella from Whare Taonga, and Keia from Ruatepuke.

Thank you

I want to thank you whānau for sending your children to school every day, well rested, having done their mahi kainga, eager and ready for another busy day. Remember 8.30am is a good time to turn up with our day beginning at 8.45am. Thank you again whānau.

Kōkā Billie-Jean
Tumuaki



The library is our special place for Wharekauri Teina