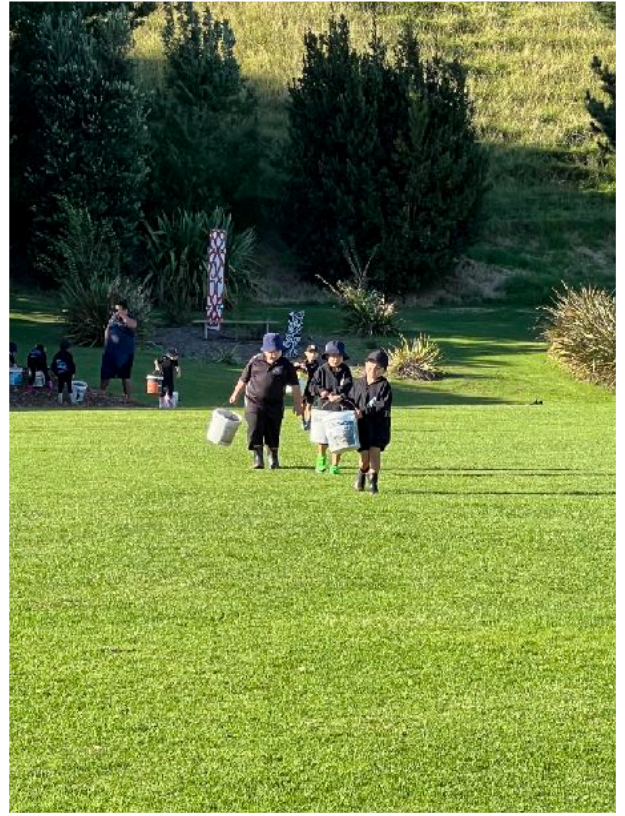


Wharekauri Teina loved planting out this week.



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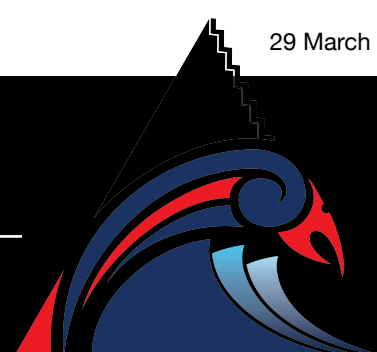
Back Field 2023

Updates @ Kaiti  
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# Updates @ Kaiti

*Kia Tū Māia, Kia Tū Pakari, Kia Tū Rangatira*



## KAITI SCHOOL

At the moment

87 students

have 100% attendance! Looking good for the mystery trip next week!



Whare Tipu enjoy Kōkā Kauri's Kōrero

*Kia ora e te whānau, good things take time and our Native gardens bordering the back of the field are testament to this. We began this journey to replant our fence line with Kōkā Kauri Forno from Enviro Schools back in 2018. Kōkā Kauri and her amazing helper Kōkā Bridget have returned every year at the same time and we have planted a bit more every year. We thought it was timely to show our younger tamariki just what our fence line used to look like back in 2018 and compare it to the beautiful fence line we now have today.*

All of our junior classes have been enjoying time out in the Taiao planting out in our Pā Harakeke as we call it. It has grown to become a lovely native stand of plants that our local Manu and tamariki have come to love. Looking after our Taiao and connecting with the whenua is an important part of our learning here at kaiti. TREAM BIG! Together raising environmental aroha.

*Can you make it to whānau day next Tuesday?*

We hope you can make it to Whānau day next Tuesday at kura. Whānau day is an annual event where whānau come into kura for the morning to help out with projects that classes are working on that makes a difference for our environment or others in our community. If you can make it, please register your attendance with your child's teacher. Whānau day runs from 8.45am to just after 11am. We hope to see you next Tuesday for a couple of hours at kura.

*Bring your togs*

Swimming is on again this week. The pools are heated for swimming lessons and we have been having some very warm days. Please send those





togs along to kura. Learning to swim is an absolute must for our tamariki who live in Te Tairāwhiti.

## Sports Academies

All Sports Academies are in full swing now with all completing trials and organising senior teams. Here are the academy training days.

Swimming - Tuesday mornings 7am at the pools

Rugby - Monday and Wednesday 2.45pm field

Hockey - Wednesday 2.45pm Back court

Netball - Thursday 2.45pm Front court and mid court

Basketball - Thursday 2.45pm Back court

Soccer - Tuesday 2.45pm. Term 2 - Tuesday 2.45pm and Friday 7am.

A reminder that turning up with the right gear is an expectation in all academies. If you do not have your sports shirt and your shoes for training you will sit on the side.

## Sports Updates

The Touch season this term has been impressive with over 60 students playing for the Kaiti teams. Well done to Matua James and his team of coaches who have been there for our tamariki and whānau at every game. We have a few games to go before the term 1 season ends and I hear that there will be a term 4 touch season as well.

Junior players (years 1-3) for Netball and Soccer, pānui are in the office for registration information. If you want your child to play Netball or Soccer, please register them and pay your fees to the office. Matua Paora will be making up team lists next week for Soccer as will Koka Chrissy for Netball. The junior teams need coaches. We may be calling on parents to help out with teams for the season.

## Voting for our 2023 Leaders

The final late votes are being taken this week and the count is on. We had a very good voter turnout at the recent elections and some active campaigning from our candidates. What a wonderful experience for all of our students to learn about the process of an election. We will be announcing the student leaders for 2023 at a special assembly tomorrow.

## Te Toka a Taiau

Students have continued their learning for Te Toka a Taiau. Projects and trips out have been completed around Te Maro, Puhi Kaiti, Te Poho o Rawiri, Te Toka a Taiau and the Tupapa trail. Kaiako have been delighted to see the parents getting on board with the trips out, the projects and also taking their own whānau to visit these significant places. Tū Rangatira have been very fortunate to work alongside Nick Tupara on a special arts piece around Rawiri Te eke Tu o Te Rangi which

Honey and Marangai enjoy learning about mahi toi and Rawiri te eke tu o te Rangi with Nick Tupara.



Legacy and her whānau took time out to visit Te Maro and other significant places on the Tupapa trail as part of her Whare Aroha class project.



will be displayed in our school hall.

## Well-thy Bankers

Last Friday we had 36 bankers saving for tomorrow. Our top classes for week 8 were Whare Kōrero and Wharekauri Teina, well done to these classes.

## Getting to and from School Safely

We have had a few senior boys who are riding bikes to kura, coming into school to drop their bags off in the morning, then going for a ride to the Kaiti Mall or along the cycle way. Once we arrive at kura, we stay at kura. Thank you for using the Kaiti School crossing to safely cross Wainui Road. Crossing over this very busy road at the Rutene Road intersection is not a safe option for our students.

## School Starts @ 8.45am

8.45am is our start time. We are seeing around 15 students coming into kura late every morning. Let's make sure that tamariki are at kura on time by 8.45am please to start the day with their peers. If you are late, please sign in at the office on arrival.

## Board Updates

Rico Gear and whānau departed for Australia for mahi at the beginning of this year. This left a vacancy on our school board. The board made the decision to fill this vacancy by co-option. The board have co-opted Chris Douglas-Huriwai to support the schools strategic plans and priorities for Te Reo Māori in kura. Nau mai ki te poari Chris.

The Boards current property projects for term 2-3 are: A new caretakers shed and bike storage. The old sheds will be demolished to make way for a new garage and container for our bikes. We also have a toilet project to replace the toilets by Whare Puawai ready to go.

In response to the recent cyclone to hit our region, the board will be reviewing and revising their emergency preparedness and planning for natural disasters and emergency events. This review will be guided by a consultant company who is working in a number of kura in our region at the current time. Kaiako and students will be involved in this review as well in the first two weeks of term 3.

*Ngā manaakitanga Kōkā Billie-Jean Potaka Ayton  
Tumuaki*

Tū Rangatira Year 7s visit Uawa for Surf Life Saving Education with Kerehama Blackman



Left Daniel, friends and whānau of Whare Taonga enjoy their ride to The Museum.