

Updates @ Kaiti

Kia Tū Maia, Kia Tū Pakari, Kia Tū Rangatira



KĀITI SCHOOL



Whare Puawai Tamariki with their Poppies and Anzac biscuits



Selah and Te Ahi attend the Anzac ceremony

Ka maumahara tonu tātou ia rātou

We will remember them. We started the term last Monday spending some time talking about the Anzac Soldiers and learning about the sacrifices they made for our country. Some classes made poppies and Anzac biscuits, some read stories and some wrote poems. It was important that we remembered our fallen soldiers. Thank you to Te Ahi and Selah Manuel and Whānau who laid Kaiti School's wreath at the Cenotaph early last Tuesday morning. *Ka maumahara tonu tātou ia rātou.*

Term 2 begins

Monday was a quiet start back to kura with many students away. Please send your tamariki to kura every day whānau. We never know these days what's going to happen further on in the term, we have missed so much kura already in term 1. So, if tamariki are well, turn up and be ready to learn. It was pleasing to see our Attendance rate back up there at 92% today.

Rūaumoko ...emergency preparedness is our term 2 kaupapa

With the recent cyclone, storms and earthquakes, we have decided to focus our learning this term on being prepared in an emergency. Students are talking about the different types of natural disasters that our region has faced in the past and how we can prepare for these in the future. We will be having several evacuation practices over the next few weeks and every class will be putting together their own emergency preparedness box for their class.

Emergency Preparedness for Whānau. - Build your own Emergency Box for FREE.

Do you have an Emergency Box ready at your Whare for your Whānau? Here's your chance to build your own emergency Kete and be prepared. Kōkā Trish is running an Emergency Preparedness workshop next Thursday 4th May at 10.30 -11.30am. All items that go into your box will be FREE for your whānau on the day and Kōkā is shouting morning tea too. Please register today for the Emergency preparedness workshop by emailing Trish at trish@kaiti.school.nz or

message via the Kaiti School Whānau Ora Page. She already has 6 parents registered. She has space for 9 more.

Sports Academies are on

Netball Season gets underway this week with netball games on after school and on Saturday. All registered netball players will have received their pānui with information about their team and coach.

Soccer Season is just about here. The year 7-8 players have their first intermediate muster this Saturday. We are still waiting on the time and place.

The Year 5-6 team and the Year 3-4 teams have been published on the Kaiti Soccer Academy Page. Please join this Facebook page to see the team lists. These students also received a pānui yesterday about Friday morning training sessions which start tomorrow morning in the hall at 7.15am. If you are in the Kaiti Year 5-6 Rangatira Team are expected to attend these sessions. We also encourage the Year 3-4 team members to come along as well from the Kaiti Maia team. Please ensure your fees are paid as well.

Basketball Academy - a reminder from the coaches to get your fees paid please to the office and Rising Stars starts up again this weekend.

We already have smaller class sizes

The Minister of Education the Hon Jan Tinetti recently announced a move in class sizes for years 4-8 from 29 students to 28 to improve learning conditions for learners and give teachers more time. In my opinion, a ratio of 1:28 is still too high. For the past decade, Kaiti School has consistently provided staff to student ratios for Years 4-8 in the range of 1:25. Today, most of our classes in these year levels have 25 students or less. Just one class has 26 students. How do we do this? The Board funds more teachers to be in classes with students. This ensures that numbers are at levels where kaiako can genuinely get that time to work with learners. We are also grateful to the Board for committing funding to higher levels of support staff who work in with Kaiako to awhi our learners (we have one of the highest numbers of support staff in Gisborne). #putting our money where it makes a difference

It's getting colder ...Winter is coming

Teachers are reminding tamariki to wear their Kaiti Hoodies to kura now as it is cold in the mornings. Long black tights, tracksuit pants or black jeans can be work as part of the uniform. Please ensure that Hoodies are named!


Property Updates

We currently have further building works on in the kura. The Whare Puawai toilet block is having a long overdue upgrade. The school outside seats were painted in the holidays after being sanded by our wonderful whānau on whānau day. The next project on the list is the new Caretakers Shed and Bike Storage and we will be having korero with the Ministry of Education for another new class.

Banking Day is tomorrow. Don't forget to bring your bank book in and your gold coin. This term we will be giving our \$10 banking credits to those students who are saving consistently.

ARE YOU PREPARED?

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WORKSHOP



KAITI SCHOOL HALL THURSDAY 4TH MAY 10.30AM - 12PM



Meelah and Bella Rose of Whare Tipu know what to do when there's an earthquake.



MAHI A KAENGA - ART COMPETITION HOME LEARNING WEEK 2 + 3

What does your Rūaumoko look like? Class awards and morning tea award for top design in juniors and seniors. Complete an art design of your Rūaumoko and submit your design to your teacher by Friday 12 May.

Rūaumoko

Rūaumoko Art Competition

Next week for Mahi a Kaenga (Home learning) we are running an Art design competition across the kura. We encourage every student to submit their entry showing what Rūaumoko looks like to them. Parents, we would love you to roll those sleeves up and help out your Tamariki as well with their designs but don't do too much for them:) Art designs are to be submitted by Friday 12 May. We look forward to seeing what every child's Rūaumoko looks like.

Kia orana Rarotonga

Next term, we are excited to be going places again with a group of Senior Kaiti Rugby Academy players heading off to Rarotonga for a rugby tour. The parents and students are busy with their fundraising. For those students involved, deposits for this trip are due next week to the office.

Te Mana Kuratahi Kapahaka Nationals

The Kapahaka Tutors are having their first session tomorrow morning with senior students who wish to stand for the kura at the Kapahaka Nationals - Te Mana Kuratahi in Nelson in November. Our tamariki have missed out over the past few years on so many opportunities like this, so please encourage your child to go along to the hall tomorrow at 9am if they are interested in trying out.

Ngā manaakitanga Kōkā Billie-Jean Potaka Ayton Tumuaki



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Well done
Kaiti!
92%
attendance today!

