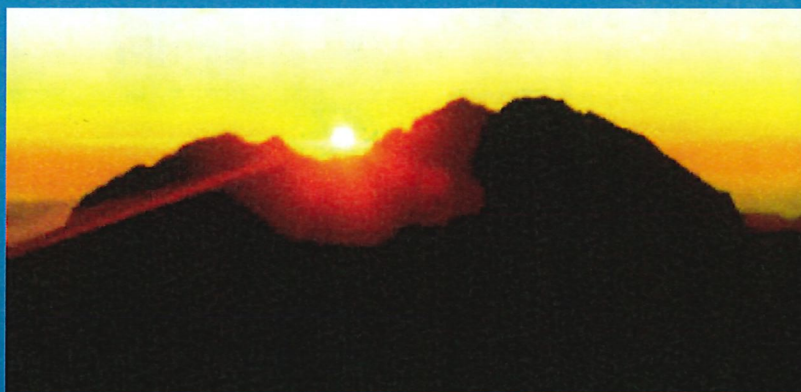


# Maunga 2 Maunga

Challenge

You made it to Hikurangi!

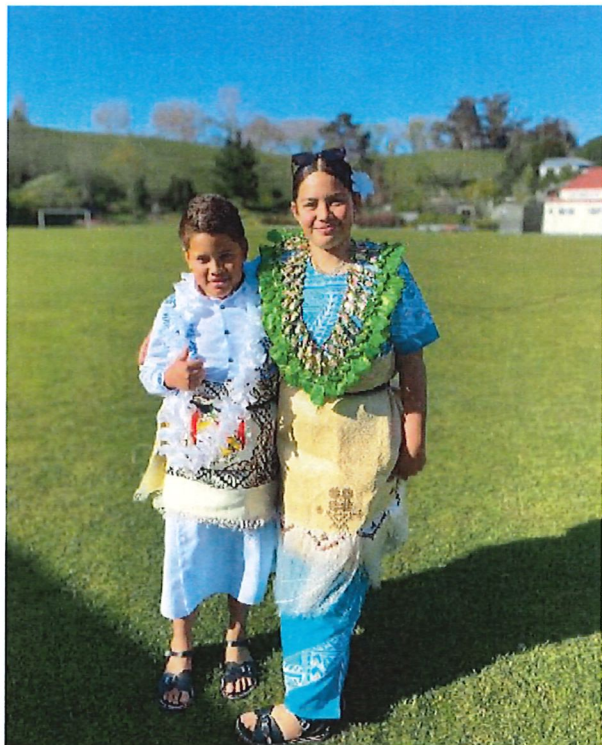
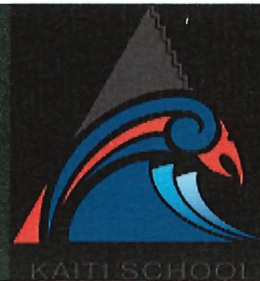
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**CATRINA**, *Azania-Marie*, *Ataahua*, *Israel*, *Te Oho*,  
*Aniyah*, *Kwyn*, **Peter**, **KΛEΛ**, *Rowan*.





# Updates @ Kaiti

Kia Tū Maia, Kia Tū Pakari, Kia Tū Rangatira



Atunaissa and Te Oho Lokotui celebrate Lea Faka Tonga.



Tamariki must be supervised by parents or caregivers

*Tēnā koutou, Ko tēnei te wiki, ko te wiki o te reo Māori. Whakanuia te reo Māori!*

It is Māori Language week and we encourage whānau to kōrero Māori at home with their tamariki. Thursday 14 September at 12pm is Māori Language moment. It marks the moment the Māori Language Petition was presented to Parliament in 1972 on the first Māori language day. Kia kaha koutou, whakanuia te reo.

*Sport Tairāwhiti event - Kia Puāwai te whānau o Puhi Kaiti*

This Friday from 3pm, Sport Tairāwhiti will be running a community event from our school hall and field. Whānau are invited to come along and enjoy some kai, bring the kids along to get involved in the events. This is a community event, students, please come along with your parents. Parking will be available at the front car park and on Aldred Street. If you are coming along please do not park in front of driveways on Montrose Street by the back entrance.

*Maunga 2 Maunga*

Kōkā CC announced that over 60 students made it to Hikurangi for the challenge. Well done to those who made it to a pitstop on the way up to Hikurangi as well. So neat to see all the active whānau out there supporting their students to clock up some kms by walking, biking and running. These students will be heading off to the Kiwa pools next Thursday for a swim at the new pools.

*Celebrating our Scientists this Friday @ 11am*

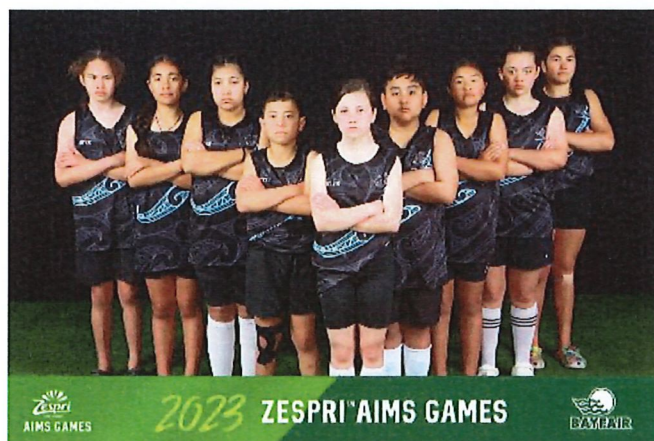
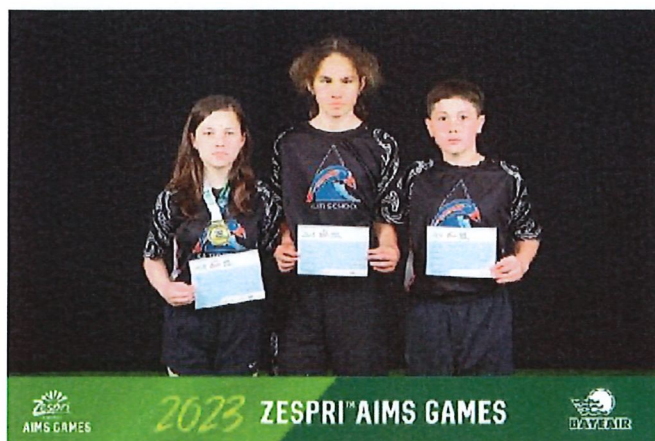
This Friday, all Science projects are due for the Science Fair. The kaupapa for our projects is ecosystems. Please come

*Puhi Kaiti Science*  
**FAIR ECOSYSTEMS**  
*Week 9 Friday 15 September*

We have been learning about ecosystems in the Taiao. Now its time for you to complete some research at home with your whānau on one ecosystem in our Taiao. It can be in te Tairāwhiti or another country...you choose

What is your ecosystem? What living and non-living organisms can you find there? Draw a diagram of your ecosystem. Who are the atua that exist in your ecosystem? Share how we can protect and look after this ecosystem so that it thrives.





along and have a look at the projects in your child's roopu. A lot of valuable learning has come from understanding what ecosystems are, knowing what makes up an ecosystem and creating projects that share our learning.

### Aims Games Success

Last week, four teams from Tū Rangatira traveled up to Tauranga to compete at the AIMS games. What a wonderful experience for our Year 7-8 students to participate in such an event with thousands of competitors. The competition was high and our Year 7-8s gave it their all on the fields and turf. The staff commented on how positive, helpful and supportive the students were for the entire week. Kiara Kerekere brought home a gold medal for Trampolining, Congratulations Kiara. We have a few more days to get our votes in on the AIMS FB page to support our team pics to win \$1000 of sports gear for their teams. Thank you parents for supporting this experience and our kaiako and parent Suzy Kerekere who coached and made sure we were at our best each and every day of the week.

### Touch Season begins

The Turanga Schools touch season has begun. The touch academy lead by Matua James Wilson is underway with lots of support from parents as coaches. Please join the Kaiti Touch 2023 FB page. If your child registered to play, attend as many games as possible throughout the season ...and let the coaches know if you have other commitments and can't make it.

### Teeball and Softball

If you would like to play Teeball (juniors) or Softball (seniors) please pick up a registration pānui from the office. Games are on Saturday mornings and commence Saturday 28 October. A reminder, If you are in a Touch team, you will not be able to register as games are on at the same time. Likewise if you are in the Puhi Kaiti Kapahaka roopu. Training wānanga will be at this time as well.

### Corrections to Cross Country Results

We had some very fast runners at our school cross country a few weeks ago. A couple were so fast that they ran in with the race that started before their Year group and were missed entirely by us on the winners list. We sincerely apologise that we missed these runners. Well done to Hinemihia Aupouri who

70plus  
have 100%  
attendance\*

### Teachers Only Day next Friday

A reminder that next Friday 22nd September is a teacher's only day. Staff will be participating in Professional development for Te Reo Māori.



ran in first for the year 3 girls by a long way and Tipene Ruru first and Braylin Pomana second in the year 2 boys who also ran ahead to come in, with the race before their year group.

### Mystery Trip - Celebrating 100% attendance

Next week, we celebrate those students who have attended kura every day this term. At the current time, there are over 70 students with 100%. Attendance has been in the high 80s over the past month. Today we are at 92% for attendance. Thank you very much whānau mā for sending your tamariki into kura every day and also ringing or messaging in. Our school mobile number is: 022 528 1976.

### Wellbeing Survey Results

Kōkā Moana recently surveyed a sample of over 100 students for wellbeing and participation in organised activities. Here are some of the results: 97% said my teacher cares for me; 92% of students said they like coming to school; 97% said they have good friends at kura; 87% said school is a good place to be; 93% said they like coming to school; 87% said they don't have problems in the playground; 73% of the students surveyed participate in organised sporting activities. While these results are a good indication for us that Kaiti kids are happy at kura, we do make sure that we talk with those students who disagree in the survey to hear their explanation for why they disagree and to also see if we can support these students to improve how they feel about kura.

### Heading to Rarotonga ....

The Rarotonga team from the Rugby Academy have completed their final hui, they have their passports and gear lists and are packing their bags. They depart early next Saturday morning. Message from Kōkā Trish: meet at the airport at 5am. Thank you Kōkā Trish and all the parents for your organisation and fundraising efforts over the last 5 months. Have fun in the sun.

### Election 2023

The Student leadership group spent some time talking with Labour MP Tamati Coffey and Labour candidate Anahalia Kanongata'a this week. They had their questions ready and my goodness, this group of leaders had these Candidates on their toes. They asked questions about Climate change, Employment, Roading and infrastructure and our Health System. Ngā mihi Kōkā Billie-Jean



He rerenga kōrero mō te ata

Phrases to use in the morning

Maranga mai - Get up! Rise and Shine!

Kuhuna ō kākahu - Put your clothes on

Haere mai ki te kai - Come and eat

Kua rite koe? - Are you ready

Kia pai te rā! - Have a good day!

Also ...Kia pai te rangi - have a good day!

Kia pai te ata - have a good morning:)

### What do you know about the Opossum? Possums are one of New Zealand's problem pests.

They were introduced to New Zealand from Australia about 200 years ago.

Possums are pests and dangerous not only because they threaten wildlife, plants and trees but because they carry tuberculosis.

Tuberculosis is a disease that can attack humans brain, spine and kidneys. It can be fatal.

The possum has a thick, bushy tail, thick body fur, a pointed snout and large, pointed ears.

There are two colour forms of the species - grey and black and red and black. An adult possum is the size of a large domestic cat.

Possums can walk, jump and bounce, its prehensile tail helps it move around tree branches. Prehensile means the tail can grasp and wrap itself around a branch.

Possums are nocturnal and part of the marsupial, mammal family. This means they are born alive, then live in their Mother's pouch and suckle.

*Chapter 1 from Ethan Bishop's project on Opossum. Autaia Ethan! I have learnt so much about Opossums from your informative report. I will be coming to read the rest of your report at the Science Fair!*

**42 Bankers** last week! Aiming for 50 this Friday. Have a look around for those bank books and lets see if we can add on a few more Kaiti bankers this week.