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Tēnā koutou e te whānau whānui o Kaiti, ka nui te mihi kia koutou!

Above: Autumn - Ngahuru has arrived and our ākonga are making the most of the autumn leaves lying on the ground.

Covid19 Updates

We have had **65 students return** to kura this week from isolation with **148 students still in isolation** at home. Of this 148 students there are about 20 students who should now be back at kura. It is important that whānau keep the school informed of their tamariki's progress and return to kura dates. We understand that some of these students may now have tested positive or have continuing symptoms. Please just keep us informed whānau.

Staffing is being carefully managed by our DP Kōkā Mandy to ensure that every class has a teacher each day. We currently have 10 staff members in isolation. Our teacher aides have been doing extra mahi to get resources to teachers who are in isolation for planning, office staff have picked up social service mahi, we have all had to mobilise and change our routines to ensure the day is a good one for our tamariki. I was visiting classes this morning and was so proud and pleased of the enormous efforts staff are investing into running balanced, effective learning programmes. The learning continues here. It also continues at home with distance learning. When students feel well enough to get back into some mahi in isolation please check your child's class Facebook page. Every class has a programme up on their pages for students to continue with at home.

Returning to Kura to learn

We have noticed the students are returning, excited to be back into their learning routines. We encourage these students who are coming back to kura to take it easy for those first few days because for some, they are still getting their energy levels back to where they were pre isolation. Take one day at a time.

**Whare Toa students have returned in numbers today
from isolation, nau mai hoki mai!**



Supporting whānau

If you have been wondering why Kaiti whānau are not getting the message to go to the Puku Ora drive through for kai, it is because our Kai trays are delivered to kura each day and delivered in isolation daily. Because of the vast numbers of families now in isolation we share the Kai, delivering to a different set of whānau every afternoon. Big mihi to our kaimahi who are delivering every day.

RATS tests will now be sent home with students who are sent home from the school sick bay feeling unwell.

Learning Outside

Last week a group of Māui Tikitiki students were 'out the gate' to explore Maunga Titirangi. There were a few nerves as the group headed for the hill because they had to use bikes with gears. The entire group made it up the hill and achieved a feat they didn't think they could do.

All classes are making an effort to get outside in between the weather this week.

Arrive after 8am

A friendly reminder that students should not be at kura before 8am. We have had a few early students arriving at 7.30am. Please make sure that we are arriving after 8am when the Kōkā and Matua are on site.

Transitioning to School continues

If you have a four year old rearing to start school, Tiny Tiki programmes will continue. We need to keep this important programme ticking along to ensure that our 5 year olds have a calm, happy, settled start to their new kura. To prebook into transition in mainstream and bilingual programmes, please give us a call at school now.



Daniel from Māui Tikitiki casts his eye out over Kaiti.

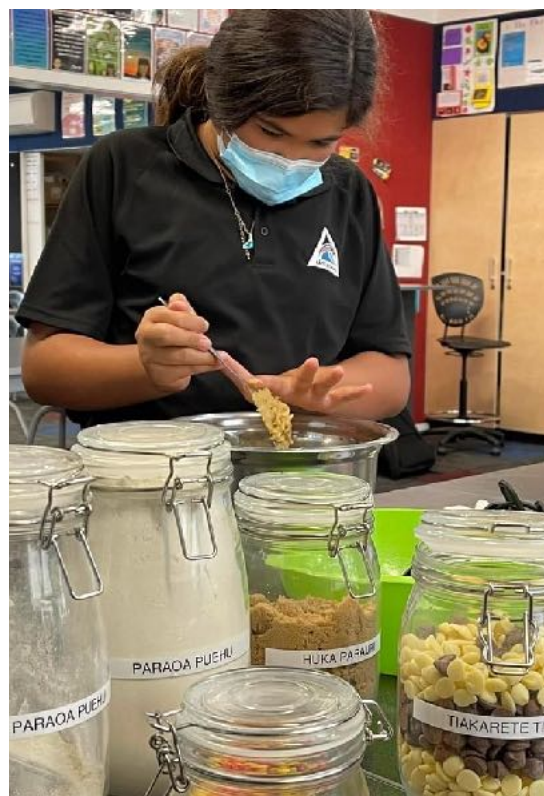
Rainy Days

The weather has not been good over the past week, with hoodies make sure your child's name is on it somewhere. Please come to school on wet days. School is on, learning continues rain, hail or shine.

Out of zone enrolments closed

All spaces for students travelling in from out of zone are now fill. We are unable to accept any further enrolments for 2022 from out of zone. If you would like to know more about our zone, please contact the office.

Ngā manaakitanga
Kōkā Billie-Jean



Cooking is on in Tū Rangatira. Arlay has followed Kōkā Sandy's high hygiene standards to prepare for cooking M and M cookiestino reka!!

Our Values

Pono

Honesty

Whakaute

Respect

Harikoa

Fun

Rereketanga

Innovation

Manaakitanga

Care