Updates @ Kaiti

Tuesday 09 August 2022







Tēnā koutou katoa

Tangi ana te kōkako tangi ata mōu e te mareikura e Kōkā Jenny. Haere koe me o mātou aroha mauroa e kui.

As you would have heard from our pānui yesterday, Kōkā Jenny passed away on the weekend. We were so fortunate to have had worked alongside such an amazing kaiako. Kōkā Jenny had been unwell and had only recently made the decision to retire from her part time literacy mahi. Kōkā Jenny was firm with her students but in a loving way. We have heard some lovely stories from past students about Kōkā and her work with tamariki at Kaiti over the years. She was an avid knitter who supplied every staff member's newborn baby a beautiful winter woollen jersey and often brought in books to share with her colleagues. She was well respected by all staff, giving

time to help kaiako with ideas and suggestions to support learners when kaiako were unsure of the next step. Kōkā gave 40 years of dedicated service to our kura.

Kōkā Jenny's funeral service will be this Thursday, 2pm at Evans. The school will close at 1pm to allow all staff to attend and pay their respects to Kōkā Jenny and the whānau.

Please organise to pick up your child from Kura at 1pm on Thursday. Our aroha to the whānau.

Moe mai rā e te Kōkā, moe mai rā.

Cross Country Postponed this week

The students have been training daily for this special event. The wet weather has returned this week. We will reset for Cross country for next Tuesday 16 August @ 9.30am which is forecast to be a clear day.



Losiane Toupili - Tū Rangatira

Secondary School 2023 for our Year 8s

Year 8 students and parents will be thinking about what secondary school they will be enrolling in for their secondary school education. A good way to find out about these schools and what they offer is to attend their open days. Gisborne Girls have an open day coming up on Saturday 21st August @ 1pm. We encourage all of our Year 8 girls to attend and have a look at what's on offer there.

Ngā Atua Māori Art Pieces completed

Every student has completed some stunning pieces of art that reflect the Atua Māori they have been learning about these past two weeks. All art pieces will be on display and shared with you at the upcoming Ako hui celebration.

Ako Hui coming up later this term

Ako Hui day has been set for Thursday 22nd September. All students have started working on their digital presentations in preparation for this special event. In a few weeks time, we will send out booking slips to book some time to come and celebrate your child's learning achievements for 2023.

Parent Board Elections voting

Voting papers will be posted by 10 August. This is to the address we have on file. If you need to change your address, please do so by popping in to see Bev the returning officer. Extra voting forms cannot be handed out. Voting papers need to be into the Returning officer by 7 September 4pm. So you don't lose them, as soon as you get your form, complete it and drop it in.

We have a healthy list of wonderful candidates who have put themselves forward to stand for the board. The 8 Candidates are:

Alyssha Maynard-Wilson Wiremu Ruru Katerina Ngarimu Kasey Brown Annette Toupili Rico Gear Christopher Douglas - Huriwai Maringi (Bobby) Totoro

Basketball is on ...

One sports request that came through loud and clear from several parents at Whānau Hui was could we start up Basketball programmes at kura. Matua Paora has responded very quickly in term 3 by running Basketball workshops for classes and giving every class a Basketball. We have Kaiti kids bouncing balls all over the kura now. We love whānau ideas!

Ngā manaakitanga Kōkā Billie-Jean Potaka Ayton





