

## 8 March 2023

Tēnā koutou katoa,

I want to start this week's newsletter with the news that Carol Segal, our beloved office administrator, will be retiring at the end of this term. Carol has worked at Kapiti Primary School for 32 years and has been the heart of the school for this time. I want to say that Carol has been a real asset to our school in my time and I've really appreciated her dedication to our community and her personal support to me as the principal. She will be moving to the South Island to be closer to her lovely grandchildren. Carol, you will be really missed by us all and we will give you a proper send off before you go.

**Thanks Carol. You are one of a kind.**



| Dates        |   |
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| TERM 1       |   |
| <b>March</b> |   |
| 13-17        | Year 7/8 Camp Curious Cove                    |
|              | Year 5/6 EOTC Week                            |
| 20           | BOT Meeting 6pm staffroom                     |
| 23           | Swimming Festival - Years 5-8 (interschool)   |
| 31           | Teacher Only Day                              |
| <b>April</b> |   |
| 5            | Community Music Session with Jonus at 5:30 pm |
| 6            | Term 1 Ends                                   |

## Parking

Yesterday, I was out on road patrol and it was really dangerous. Our tamariki are the taonga of our school and some decisions that adults were making are just not okay. You can not park in the staff car park. You must not park two or more cars next to each other as this means children have to run out onto the road. If there are no parks available, you will need to park further away and walk. Please support us to keep our tamariki safe.

## Whānau Hui

Our whānau meeting last week was really well attended and provided the opportunity for us to have some excellent conversations. Thanks to those who could attend and for your feedback. There will be some information sent out shortly and we look forward to our next meeting in Term 2.

## Advance notice of a Teacher Only Day

We will be having a teacher only day on **Friday 31 March** as part of our professional development programme for 2023. Please keep your child at home on this day.

## Creatives in Schools - held last night

Jonâs and I were really pleased with the turnout for his music session last night. It really gave everyone a taste of the experiences our tamariki have been sharing and our tamariki enjoyed being able to share the instruments with you all. Jonâs will be holding another session on **Wednesday 5 April** at 5:30 pm.

## Camp/EOTC Week

Next week, our Year 7-8 students are heading off to Curious Cove for the week. Camp is an amazing time for our tamariki and we wish them a safe and fantastic trip.

We also have our Year 5-6 students participating in a range of outdoor activities over the week. It will be a busy time but very rewarding and I'm looking forward to joining them on a couple of their adventures.



## Senior Swimming Sports/Fun Day

Yesterday, we took our Year 5-8 students across to the pool for a swimming sports event. This was to allow students to have a go at some swim races while also enjoying some fun events. Several students have been selected to represent us at the Interschool Swimming Festival - **Thursday 23 March**. Notices for those students will be coming home shortly.

## Pokémon Cards

We have many students bringing Pokémon trading cards to school and, at the moment, they are causing problems. Students are trading cards and then wanting them back and also some have been stolen. We do not accept any responsibility for lost or stolen items as this can take up a lot of teacher time. Please talk to your children about whether it is best for the cards to be kept at home.

## Lunches

Lunch order forms will be outside the main office and orders with the correct money needs to be given to Carol before school starts.

## Student Corner

The new basketball courts are perfect for the kids to shoot some hoops on a sunny day. The kids love to play on our new courts and we have gathered some reviews from 3 of them. They enjoy the size and colour scheme. but dislike the fact that the water fountain near it makes it slippery at times. Overall it is a great place to spend breaks!

By Ron and Kingston



Ngā mihi nui  
Brent McDowell, Principal



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## HELD AT KAPITI PRIMARY SCHOOL:

**Seido Karate Kapiti** Kids Class 7- 12 years Thursday 4.45 - 5.30 Beginners Class 12 years - adult Thursday 6pm - 7pm Kapiti Primary School Hall All welcome, any level of fitness or ability. A great family activity. Karate is a great way to challenge yourself both physically and mentally Call/text Karen: 021 1141958 [www.facebook.com/SeidoKarateKapiti](https://www.facebook.com/SeidoKarateKapiti) First three classes free.

## OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS:



Due to the impact of COVID and staff shortages, unfortunately sKids Kapiti after school care will be closed for the foreseeable future. However, we will continue to have a pick-up service from Kapiti School and take the children to sKids Kenakena, John Roger Hall, Te Kupe Road, Paraparaumu Beach. We are now taking bookings for Term 1 2023 for sKids Kenakena. **For more**

**information, please call Jools Da Silva on 021 0254 3249 or email [jools@skids.co.nz](mailto:jools@skids.co.nz)**

PNP Mountain Bike Club are holding their yearly College Sport Wellington and Club Champs see details below

**PNP Club & College Sport Wellington MTB Championships (XCO - Downhill - Criterium)**

The club championships and College Sport Wellington championships are run early in the school year. The date & venue for 2023 has been set as **Sun 19 March 2023** at **Waiu Trail Park, Wainuiomata**. Full details and links to entries can be found on the [Event Page](#).

Stall fee for kids  
**Donation**  
Koha

**+ our regular Market**

# **Calling all kids and teenagers!**

## **Run your own stall at the Ōtaki Market**

- Art & crafts
- Hand made products
- Preloved toys, clothes, books, games
- Home baking and treats
- Jams, preserves and honey
- Fruit & Vegetables
- And much more...

**SUNDAY**  
**16**  
**APRIL**

**10am - 2pm**

main highway, Otaki

**Ages 5 - 19 years old**



**Register for a stall**  
[otakiwomensclub.org/kidsmarket](https://otakiwomensclub.org/kidsmarket)