

19 October 2022

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Welcome back everyone. I hope you had an enjoyable break with your tamariki. Term Four is upon us already and it will fly by. Although it has been a difficult year I want to reiterate how we appreciate all the support you have given the school, in particular keeping sick children at home, wearing face masks and encouraging your children to have such positive attitudes.

Community Consultation

Last term, we met with a small group of whānau to discuss how we create stronger connections between school and the community. We also looked at our school curriculum and how we can ensure you all understand how learning happens at Kapiti Primary School. It was a really great hui with lots of great input and we look forward to holding more in the future. As we move into 2023, we will be sharing some exciting plans about how we can be more connected as a community to support your tamariki to become Confident Connected Explorers.

Hats and Sun Protection

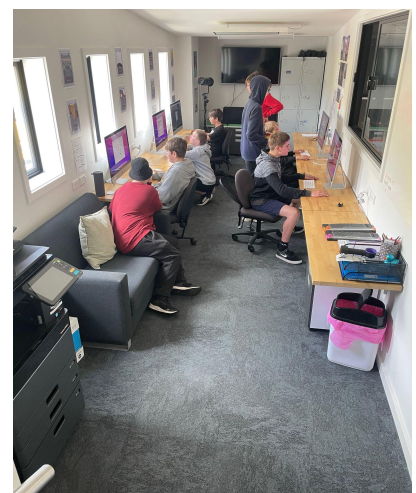
Finally we are enjoying some warmer, sunnier weather. During Term Four all students need to have a full-brimmed hat to protect them against the sun when they are outside for extended periods. We also strongly encourage all students to cover their shoulders by wearing appropriate clothing. Thank you for your support with this.

Mihi Whakatau

On Friday 28 October, we will hold our first mihi whakatau for the year. A mihi whakatau is a way we welcome new members to our community. It is also a chance for our tamariki to learn about manaakitanga and tikanga. This will be held at 10:30am followed by kai in our staffroom. We would love you all to attend.

Year 8 Zeal Visit

Today our Year 8 students visited Zeal next to PaknSave. Zeal is an Aotearoa youth organisation providing safe, inclusive local and online spaces. Our tamariki really enjoyed their time visiting and were able to explore the excellent facilities that Zeal has to offer.



Dates

TERM 4

October

- 20 Year 8 Girls Self Defence
- 24 LABOUR DAY
- 28 Mihi whakatau
- 31 Board Meeting 6pm staffroom. All welcome.

November

- 3 Montessori evening 6-7pm
- 9 Senior Athletics Pp 11 Nov
- 15 Immunisations Y8
- 23 Junior Athletics Pp 25 Nov

December

- 5 BOT Meeting 6pm staffroom. All welcome
- 12 Leavers Dinner
- 15 Last day of term



Term Four Staffing

Unfortunately, we have not been able to fully staff the school with teachers for the remainder of the year. This is a problem that many schools are facing in NZ. We have been able to employ a teacher on Thursdays and Fridays and more teacher aides have been employed to support our students with their learning on the other days. I will also continue to teach our senior students. We have moved some of our students into other classrooms for the remainder of the year to help. This will only be for a term and we are fortunate that we can accommodate our tamariki in other learning spaces.

Learning This Term

This term, our focus is on Social Systems.

Key curriculum areas:	Possible Contexts for Learning	Curriculum Drivers
<i>Social sciences</i>	<i>Our class, roles and responsibilities My family Government Citizenship</i>	<i>Collaborative Communication</i>
Concepts for development	<i>Roles Agreements Systems Collaboration</i>	
Integration of The Arts	Visual arts Focuses : Making models	Mediums: Mixed media
Writing	Text types to explore: <i>Writing purposes - to describe, to explain, to recount, to narrate, and to persuade</i>	
Te Ao Maori	Whānau	Te Marae
Maths	Maths Strand - Statistics and Financial literacy Number is integrated through strand and based on student need.	
PE focus	End of year expeditions - see LTP below Personal Health and Physical Development: <i>Regular physical activity</i>	
Integration of Design Technology	Computational thinking for digital outcomes	

Assemblies this term

Parents and caregivers are very welcome to come to our assemblies. They begin at approximately 9.10am and each class takes a turn running them.

Week	Assembly
2	Mihi Whakatau
4	Kereru
6	Te Ra
8	Ika Nui

School Docs

You can access all our policies at [School Docs](#) by following the link. Once there, you can search for our school by clicking the green button in the top corner and typing 'Kapiti Primary School' into the space provided. Our school username is **kapiti** and the password is **team**.

Lunch Orders - FRIDAYS ONLY

Orders and the correct money should be in at the office by 9am on the day of ordering. You are welcome to get an order form any time so you know what is available and the price.

TERM DATES 2022

Term 1	2 Feb to 14 April
Term 2	2 May to 8 July
Term 3	25 July to 30 September
Term 4	17 October to 15 December

LABOUR DAY - This Monday 24 October.

School will finish at the usual time of 3pm on Friday.

Ngā mihi nui
Brent McDowell
Principal

Have a look at our website: www.kapiti.school.nz

You can request Board of Trustee minutes and information from Carol in our office:
admin@kapiti.school.nz



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COMMUNITY NEWS

HELD AT KAPITI PRIMARY SCHOOL:

Due to the impact of COVID, 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. Please note that the sKids Kapiti Holiday Programme will continue to run from Kapiti School Hall. We are now taking bookings for Term 4 at sKids Kenakena. For more information, please call Jools Da Silva on 021 0254 3249 or email jools@skids.co.nz

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 First three classes free.

OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS:

Spaces available @ Ngahina Kindergarten – We are a community based, not-for-profit kindergarten where children learn at their own pace alongside others. We offer 20 free hours for tamariki over two. Our sessions run Monday to Friday 8.30am to 2.30pm. For more information please come and visit us 5 Ngahina Street, call us 04 904 6298, or find us online at <https://www.wmkindergartens.org.nz>



Keen to try athletics?

We warmly welcome all children interested in athletics to join in the fun at one (or both) of our **Club Open Nights, Monday 17th and Monday 24th October** at the Paraparaumu Domain, Aorangi Road, Paraparaumu. Children under 7

years will participate in the *Ready, Set, Go* programme starting at **5.15pm** and those over 7 years will follow the club programme starting at **5.30pm**. Open nights are a chance to give athletics a go before deciding whether to register with the club. Club nights run every Monday throughout the season and offer a chance for young athletes to learn new skills, challenge themselves and have a lot of fun, in a supportive and inclusive environment. For more information about the club, check out our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/paraparaumu.athletics/> We look forward to seeing you there

If your child loves doing cartwheels, handstands, trampolining, flips, dance, or parkour moves, then they will thrive at Bigair Gym!

Bigair Gym classes are excellent for fun, focus and fitness! Children learn new skills and develop personal confidence and self-achievement! Strong focus is given to safety and technique, ranging from fundamentals to advanced skills. The structured classes follow a Bigair Badge Programme, which creates focused learning, and allows children to achieve and feel personal progression! Bigair classes include **GYMNASTICS, TRAMPOLINING, TUMBLING, FREE RUNNING** (that's parkour with flips) & **CHEERLEADING!** Inquire about Bigair **BIRTHDAY PARTIES** too! **GET IN QUICK FOR TERM 4 GYM CLASSES!** Booking is easy online at www.bigairgym.co.nz or contact your local Bigair Gym office today.

