

#### 24 November 2023

#### Tēnā koutou katoa.

Our staff-only day on Monday 13 November was an excellent chance for staff to work on developing our knowledge and skills to support our tamariki's learning. Staff were fully engaged and made the most of the day, unpacking various strategies that help our young ones be 'ready to learn'. Thank you for your support with this by keeping your tamariki at home.

We are having a very busy Term Four and are looking forward to our end-of-year celebrations and events that are happening as we head towards the final day of the year - Thursday 14 December. Our tamariki are enjoying some great experiences with trips to Kapiti Island, College Visits and we have our Waikanae pool trip coming up very soon.

# Community Hui

Last week, the board sent out an invitation to invite you to come and meet with us this Monday at 5 pm. The board is very keen to meet with the community, to hear from you and to build connections going forward. You are welcome to bring children as we will have a space and an adult to look after them. This meeting will be held in our **staffroom at 5 pm**. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Dates TERM 4 Term 4 Begins Whanau meeting KOS Labour Day Tennis have a go day Year 8 Immunisations Aihe to visit Mahi o te Taiao Ranginui to visit Mahi o te Taiao Nov KPS athletics Ika Nui ti visit Mahi o te Taia 13 Staff Only Day Community Hui - 5 pm **BOT Mtg** Waikanae Pool Visit Year 8 Graduation Dinner Year 8 Graduation assembly Term 4 Ends

# 2024 at Kapiti Primary School/Montessori

As most of you will be aware, we will not have a fully dedicated Montessori classroom opening at the start of 2024. We will be merging our Montessori students with our original strand. This will mean we start the year with four classes.

#### Te Motu

Ranginui

Year 1-2 - Jillian Jenness (Junior Leader of Learning) and Casey Eastham Year 3-4 - Amy Ryan

Year 5-8 - Liz Williamson (Deputy Principal)

Year 5-8 - Madi Goldsworthy

We will shortly finalise the classrooms and teachers will be getting in touch to discuss what 2024 will look like for your tamariki.

#### Farewell

At the end of this term, we will be farewelling Debby Fruean and Cinzia Mulder. Debby has been working in our Montessori classroom for three years but has a much longer connection with the school. Over her time she has helped to develop our school PE curriculum as well as teach our junior students in the Montessori area. Cinzia has been with us for a short while and has made a positive impact on our junior area. I would like to personally thank them both for their contributions to our school community and wish them all the best in the future. We will farewell them appropriately at the end of the year.

# Kapiti Island Trip

It was a great trip to Kapiti Island on Wednesday for our Year 5 and 6 students. They really enjoyed discovering more about our local history and the taonga ātaahua we have in our backyard. Thanks to all those who went on the trip and supported our tamariki to get to the top. It was hard work but the view was worth it.





### Year 5-6 and 7-8 Athletics

Over the last two weeks, many Year 5-8 students have represented Kapiti Primary School at the Interschool Athletics Day. Congratulations to all who attended and the feedback I have received is that you all showed our TEAM values throughout the day. Any students who have qualified for regionals will be notified shortly.



We have not been able to run Kapa Haka this year and want to ensure our school has a strong group in 2024. We are looking for a tutor who would like to come and support our tamariki. Please





contact me if you have the skills or desire to support us heading into 2024 or if you have ideas about someone who might like to take on this role. This will be a remunerated position and we are looking at around an hour per week.

#### Start Dates for 2024

School starts back on Thursday 1st February.

On **Tuesday 30 January**, we will have classrooms open for children and whānau to come down and have a look at their spaces for the year. We will have a sausage sizzle and some fun games to play. This is always a really good opportunity for everyone to reconnect after a long break.

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 - 5.30pm 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 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SeidoKarateKapiti">www.facebook.com/SeidoKarateKapiti</a> 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 continue to run a pick-up service from Kapiti School and take the children to sKids Kenakena, John Roger Hall, Te Kupe Road, Paraparaumu Beach. The sKids Kapiti Holiday Programme will continue to run from Kapiti School Hall. We are now taking bookings for Term 4 2023 from sKids Kenakena. For more info, please call Jools Da Silva on 021 0254 3249 or email jools@skids.co.nz



# Nan and Tuna - Puppet show for children at Toi MAHARA

11am, Saturday 3 December In the Waipuna Toi | Community Space at Toi MAHARA, Mahara Place, Waikanae Suitable for children age 4-10 Free admission

Nan and Tuna have been friends for 70 years and now it is time for one last adventure together. But before they leave they need to find someone to care for the river.

A bilingual puppet show about eels, rivers and friendship.

"Nan and Tuna is an arresting visual poem" - Pantographic Punch

Watch the trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u8Cz1X2cMEw

Website link to the event: <a href="https://toimahara.nz/events/puppet-show-nan-and-tuna/">https://toimahara.nz/events/puppet-show-nan-and-tuna/</a>

Facebook event: https://fb.me/e/45likcdJ2

#### Footpath Painting & Free Sausage sizzle!





Footpath painting & free Sausage sizzle!

Parents & Tamariki

Come and join us and have a go, as we paint some hopscotches and other fun activities on the footpath! The Waka Kotari play trailer will be there too if you just want to hang out and play!

Date: Monday 27 November 2023

Time 3pm – 5pm

Location: Te Newhanga Kāpiti Community Centre back garden

15a Ngahina Street, Paraparaumu 5032

Ngā mihi, Norie Parata

**Connected Communities** 





# Ōtaki Christmas Market, 10 December, 10am-2pm

Over 55 stalls: art and craft, health & beauty products, plants & flowers, Christmas craft, Christmas Trees

Delicious Kai, hangi, seafood chowder, burgers, spring rolls, ice cream and much more...

Free crafting table and facepainting for a Koha.

Meet Santa Claus + FREE Photograph: Guess who's coming to town? Santa Claus himself!

FREE photograph with Santa between 11am-1.30pm – a cherished memory in the making.

# Ōtaki Kids Market, 14 January, 10am-2pm

The next Kids Market will be Sunday 14 January. Join all the fun of the Kids Market, and tamariki and rangatahi run their own stalls, make craft, baking or sell their products.

Registrations / Event details: https://www.otakiwomensclub.org/kidsmarket