

1 February 2023

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Nau mai hoki mai ki tō tātou kura. Welcome back to Kapiti Primary School for 2023. We have had a lot going on over the break and you can read more about it below. Most importantly, it is wonderful to see our tamariki again.

This year we will have a strong focus on developing a connected school community. We are also continuing to implement our curriculum and help you understand what it is all about. You can find a copy of our curriculum on our website so together we can grow Confident Connected Explorers.



Dates	
TERM 1	
Jan	
31	School Starts
Feb	
3	Yr7/8 Technology begins
6	Waitangi Day - no school
10	School Picnic 5-7pm
13	BOT Meeting 6pm staffroom
March	
2	Whanau connection meeting
13-17	Year 7/8 Camp Curious Cove
15	Year 5/6 Kapiti Island
20	BOT Meeting 6pm staffroom
23	Swimming Festival - Years 5-8 (interschool)
April	
6	Term 1 Ends

Whānau Picnic

Put Friday 10 February in your diary for our start of the year whānau picnic. We will once again have the sausages on the BBQ and the slip and slide out. It is always a great event. We will send home a ticket next week that allows your whānau a free sausage each and we will be selling iceblocks as well. The BBQ will be fired up at 5pm so see you there.

Swimming

Swimming will be starting in Week Three and will only be occurring on a Monday. Please ensure children come to school with togs and a towel ready to learn this important skill. If you are able to accompany your child's class please let the teacher know. This year, our Year 7-8 students will not be participating in the swimming programme.

Swimming lessons on Mondays from 13 Feb- 3 April (8 weeks)

12.00 to 12.30	Aihe (Yrs 5-6)
12.30 to 1.00	Ranginui (Yrs 1-6)
1.00 to 1.30	Kereru (Yrs 1-2)
1.30 to 2.00	Kokako (Yrs 3-4)

Clothing and Hats

This term, the Board of Trustees is scheduled to conduct a review of our clothing and uniform policy. We will be asking for your input into the policy. Students are expected to arrive at school in clothing that is sunsmart. This includes tops that fully cover students' shoulders and cover students' midriffs. Students also need to bring a full-brimmed hat to wear each day. Please talk to your tamariki about this and thank you for your support.

Forms

At the end of last year, several forms were sent home to fill out for the 2023 year. These were our generic permission slip (gold) and our digital user agreements (bright pink for juniors and light blue for seniors). Please return these as soon as possible. If you can not locate the copy you had, students can ask their classroom teachers for another copy. We need these signed and returned as soon as possible. Thank you.

Staff

Welcome to Tania Forster who has joined our team and is working in Aihe with our Year 5 and 6 students. We have also moved a couple of classes due to work that will be happening over the year.

Principal	Brent McDowell
Deputy Principal	Liz Williamson
Leader of Learning	Jillian Jenness

Te Motu		
Kererū	Jillian Jenness	Years 1-2
Kōkako	Amy Ryan	Years 2-3
Te Moana		
Ika nui	Casey Eastham	Years 7-8
Aihe	Tania Forster	Years 5-6
Ranginui		
Te Ra	Debby Fruean	Years 1-8
Te Marama	Liz Williamson	Years 1-8

Teacher Aides	Adelle Wood Helen Williams Louise Sale
Part-time teacher	Ben Stark
Caretaker	Kevin Bartley
Office Manager	Carol Segal

Plexipave

Thanks to Mel and Jules from Plexipave for their work on our courts. They look amazing and our tamariki and community will get a lot of use out of them. You can see a short video at the below link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WcQZnW_RK7Y



Renovations

There is a lot of property work happening in 2023. We have a fresh coat of paint and new carpet in our admin space. We also have new courts painted and they look fabulous. This is truly a great resource for our tamariki and our local community.

Ranginui students have started in the hall as their classrooms will have some work to fix leaks. This will involve the cladding being replaced as well as a new roof.

Next to the hall, the foundations have been started for a new garage. The garage will have a dedicated workshop for our caretaker - Super Kev - and provide us with some much needed storage.

We also have our new entrance class starting the year in Kererū as Tūi and Piwakawaka will be renovated later in the year.

Road Works

Just a reminder that the road works have started over next to the public library. At the moment, you can still drive through this area but our understanding is that it will be blocked off in the near future. The works will also be cutting across our field in a few months and I'll keep you posted on when this is happening.

Term One Learning

Big Idea : Challenging Ourselves

Key curriculum areas: <i>Health and Physical Education</i> <i>Social Sciences</i> <i>Science</i>	Possible Contexts for Learning <i>EOTC</i>	Curriculum Drivers <i>Curiosity and Innovation</i>
Concepts for development	Whare tapa rima Physical development The scientific method	Physics - movement and motion
Integration of The Arts	Visual Arts Focus : Ephemeral art Medium : Natural resources, photography, video	Performing Arts
Integration of Writing	Text types to explore : Narratives	

	Writing purposes - to describe, to explain, to recount, to narrate, and to persuade
Te Ao Maori	Mihi whakatau Pepeha
Maths	Strand: Statistics : Statistical investigation Number is integrated through strand and based on student need.
PE focus	EOTC - Yr 7-8 Camp, Yr 5-6 EOTC week Personal Health and Physical Development: Regular physical activity
Integration of Design Technology	Computational thinking for digital outcomes Or Design and develop digital outcomes

We look forward to working with you again this year!

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 First three classes free.



OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS:

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Private Lesson 30 min: \$36

Private Lesson 40 min: \$48

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2 in a Lesson 30 min: \$40 (or \$20 each)

2 In a Lesson 60 min: \$80 (or \$40 each)

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