



Newsletter

Wisdom begins with Wonder



Term 3, Week 7

Friday 10 September 2021

Principal's Message

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou

It is so great to see everyone back after almost four weeks of lockdown. Well done to everyone for getting through this challenging, but necessary time. It was wonderful yesterday to see our students so eager, excited and grateful for being back. The smiles, laughs and sheer delight in the kids' faces was a privilege to see.

As we move into the final three weeks of term we see a number of our scheduled events unfortunately put on hold. However we have other projects on the go which is exciting for us all. By now you have likely all seen or heard about our new (much anticipated) playground. Waipukurau Construction builders have made a wonderful start to the platforms, utilising the lack of students on site to move the heavy machinery around and get the majority of the disruptive tasks completed. With the rate they are moving we hope the platforms, steps etc will all be completed in the next few weeks. There will be a delay in the final appendages being attached (slide and cargo net) as these are manufactured in Auckland.

During the Lockdown, Board members and I also met via Zoom or socially distanced meetings (Level 3) to go over the substantial infrastructure projects that will be taking place in the coming 12 - 18 months. Watch this space, there are lots of exciting things planned!

As we move into the final three weeks of term, we are currently living in Level 2 restrictions. We ask that families send their children to school with a drink bottle daily. Any adults that have to come on site may do so, however you will need to be recorded in our visitor log (held in the office), scan the QR Tracking code (Front Gate) and wear a face covering. We thank you for your cooperation and support.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact any of our staff. Our doors are always open.

Nga mihi

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Scheduled Events postponements:

Currently all school and inter school events are postponed until such time as we are able to once again congregate in large numbers (Level 1). This includes Cross Country and the Ngati Whai Festival that was set to be held at the end of this term. Event organisers are working to see if they can be rescheduled to a later date. We thank you for your understanding.

A decision will also be made early next week regarding the TRAIL and COLOUR run.

Sports Tops & Uniforms: As so many events and fixtures have been postponed we are asking for sports tops and uniforms to be returned to school. This includes ALL Netball dresses, Miniball singlets, Volleyball singlets and Pukehou Sports tops. Thank you.



Tennis: Registrations have been extended until next Friday, 17th September. Please see attached flyer.

Miniball: This has been postponed until the beginning of Term 4. Any updates will be forwarded to those who have registered their interest.



Kahu & Kotare Camp Fundraising:



During Level 3 we received an additional small shipment of Whittakers slabs. Under Level 2 we discourage children going door-to-door to sell these, but if you (adults) would like to take some to your workplace to sell please let Jacqui know. Limited supply, first in first served.

www.hatumahalfmarathon.co.nz

Due to the recent COVID Delta outbreak in New Zealand and the uncertainty of being able to run the Hatuma Half Marathon in its usual structure, the Organising Committee has made a decision to make significant changes to ensure the event goes ahead. The event is now VIRTUAL and FREE.

Walk / Run. Team / Individual. 10km / 21km Options. Go online and register now – heaps of spot prizes

Attached: BOT Policy Review, Tennis Competition flyer

Keep up with what is going on at school

We try to ensure everyone receives important messages regarding activities going on here at school. To do this we use a number of different platforms. These can be found below. Wherever possible I try to ensure messages are recorded on all platforms so nothing is missed.

Our main message relaying platforms: Are you in the LOOP?



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