

KAPANUI SCHOOL
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Kia Ora parents, children, caregivers and whānau.

Christmas at Kapanui
Friday 30 November from 4.30 pm
See you all there!

The spring weather continues with a heat wave on Sunday and heavy rain over the last few days. Check out the pic below of our road patrollers going out on duty on Monday.



A massive thank you to all of our children who have worked on the road patrol this year and to the wonderful parents who have helped out and supported our kids. You have all helped keep our community safe-ka pai!

CCC-Coffee and Chat with Craig

Thank you to everyone who made it along this morning. I appreciate you taking the time to drop in, chat and bounce around ideas on how to make Kapanui School an even greater school! Next year I will hold CCC every fortnight on a Wednesday morning. It will be an opportunity for parents to meet each other, meet me and to ask questions about school. Further details will come out next year. Thank you to Sarah Topliff for helping promote this and for bringing along the yummy chocolate cake!

Parents Donations-Thank you!

Jeanette and Janice who run the office inform me that we have received more voluntary parent donations than ever before. We do appreciate your support which helps to cover the costs of the extra activities we run at school such as swimming at Waikanae Pools and Waikanae Gym.

A huge thank you to the **Lee family** who last week headed back to Singapore. As a leaving gift to the school they donated \$1000-thank you guys and good luck back home!

Another huge thank you to **Rachel and Aaron Shackleton** who donated \$500 which we used to purchase Lego for lunchtime activities. This began yesterday and as you can see from the pic below many boys, girls, big and small went along!



Thank you Paul Templer and Sue Ayton from Harcourts for donating a biodegradable water bottle for each of our students – what a great initiative.

Class Lists

We have all but completed this process (getting almost 600 children into 24 classes takes time)! The teachers have spent considerable time ensuring that all classes have an equal balance of boys and girls, sporty kids, quiet kids, loud kids, friends etc.

There has been comment from the teachers that they have had more 'requests' for classrooms than in previous years from parents. Why is this we wonder???? I want to reassure you that the teachers spend many hours working on class lists. They talk to other each other, share experiences and knowledge of children and work hard to ensure that the classes are just right. In reality your child may not be in the class that they expected or hoped for, however this is a wonderful opportunity to **teach them about**

resilience and the fact that ‘new or different’ doesn’t necessarily mean bad. The old glass is half full rather than half empty attitude is a good approach to take! As with previous years we will be having a ‘meet the NEW 2019 teacher’ for children in a few weeks. We will keep you posted.

Internet Permissions

We are presently updating our internet parent permission list. This is an opportunity for you advise the school office if you **do not** want your child’s image to appear on our website, class blogs (if relevant), newsletters and school Facebook page. Please note that on Facebook we will only identify children by the first name and a photo. Thank you to the parents who have spoken and emailed me about this over the last couple of weeks.

Staff News

Congratulations to Becky Dewdney and Georgia Karaitiana who have secured teaching positions at Kapanui School next year. They will be joined by a new teacher in our Junior school Shelley Reeves-Smith, a former student of Kapanui School who has been working in preschools and primary schools in Auckland.

Farewell to Lucy Tristram who is heading to the UK for the holidays leaving this weekend. See you next year Lucy!

A big Kia ora and welcome back to Sophie Cudby who has been on study leave this year (Sophie is almost fluent in te reo now)! Sophie’s leave finishes at the end of this week and she will relieve in Room 22 (Lucy Tristram’s class) until the end of the year.

Whakatauki/Proverb



Good luck to everyone who is involved in Christmas at Kapanui on Friday-have fun, looking forward to an awesome evening!

Last thoughts

Go the Under 17 Girls All Whites who are in the semi finals of the World Cup. Big game vs Spain coming up. Kia kaha. Staying with Women’s sport, congratulations to Mrs Graham’s daughter who is competing for NZ at the World Handball event in Japan-good luck!

Juicies for sale Friday \$1.

Celebrating Student Success

Einstein Shield

Well done to our team of Harper Brown, Harrison Adams, Rosa Topliff, Otto Minnaar, Ryan Engelen and Darren Yang who represented Kapanui at the Einstein shield competition at Otaki College last week. This team came runner up by only one point in this math and problem solving challenge.

Basketball results

Girls A lost. Player of the day: Ana Ramalho.

Girls B lost. Player of the day: Jessie Nixon

Boys A lost. Player of the day: Dylan Kennedy

Boys B won. Player of the day: Shaun Fenton Games this week.

Girls Thursday

A team 4:15pm, B team. 3:45pm,

Boys Friday, A team. 4:45pm, B team. 3:45pm

Week 6 2018 Touch Player of Day

Kapanui Champions U8	Micah Anderson
Kapanui Crushers U8	Hunter Jane Elliot
Kapanui Force U10	Vinnie Mence & Henry Lissington, Thank you to Oliver Westbury and Tyson Richards for doing BBQ duty!
Kapanui Cheetahs U10	Ruby Farrow
Kapanui Hurricanes U10	Lachlan MacPherson
Kapanui Kestrels U12	Ruby Shaw
Kapanui Hawks U14	Caitlin White
Kapanui Jaguars U14	Madeline Selby

Library books returned to school please

Community News

Funzone Holiday Fun

Live and ready for bookings now.

<https://funzone.co.nz/fun-zone-summer-2018-2019/>

Kiwiana Christmas at your local Library

Paraparaumu Friday 7 December 5.00-6.30

Waikanae Saturday 8 December 1.00-2.30

Ōtaki Monday 10 December 5.00-6.30

Come to Christmas Carols in Mahara Place

Saturday 15 December with Brasso and Ukes of Wellington playing from 11am, and Father Christmas and his sleigh at 1230pm. There'll be a prize for "best dressed teddy bear" for the young and the young at heart.

Carols at Cedarwood

Sunday 16 December 2018 - 6.30pm

followed by coffee carts & ice cream

17 Parata Street, Waikanae

A can of food to support the Kapiti Christmas

Foodbank appeal would be appreciated.

The GO Club's Pre-Xmas Holiday

Programme is here! A STEM group for girls ages

5-12 Book now at www.enrolmy.com/the-go-club

The Kapiti Irish Society welcomes you all to our December Gathering. When: Saturday 1st December from 2pm until 6pm.

Where: Kapiti Coast United Clubrooms, Weka Park, Raumati Beach.

Guardians of the Kāpiti Marine Reserve

have launched their state-of-the-art webcam on Kāpiti Island in the hopes it will deter people from illegally fishing in the

Reserve www.groundtruth.co.nz/kapiti-marine-reserve-webcam. Please visit and help us protect this precious taonga.

Thomas the Goose

On Sunday 9th December at 5.30 pm we are holding an unveiling of the plaque supplied by the Waikanae funeral Home it is a low key hour or so with everyone asked to bring a picnic for a communal gathering sharing all the goodies.