

KAPANUI SCHOOL

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Kia Ora parents, children,
caregivers and whānau.

New Students

A big kia ora and welcome to the following new children who started at Kapanui School this week. **Rerewhai Rm 11, Ruruhira Rm 2, Cruz Rm 18, Poppy Rm 14 & Archie Rm 13 and Tangahoe James Rm 16.** It is awesome to have you all join our school!

Camps....Camps....Camps

The camp season is underway starting today at El Rancho for the Inquirers Syndicate (Year 5 & 6) with 3 classes going this week and 2 next week. Curious Cove in the Marlborough Sounds for Rangatahi (Years 7 & 8) next week and the following week.

Thank you to all of the parents who have offered to go along and help out. We appreciate that this involves rejigging your lives at home, childcare arrangements and time off work-you guys are awesome! I'll be staying tonight (in my camper van) and am looking forward to the camp experience!

A massive thank you to the **teachers** who have spent an enormous amount of time preparing for camp. We take this job seriously and appreciate the responsibility which parents place with us to ensure that children have a memorable time at camp. Thanks team for your mahi!

A big thank you to Waikanae Medical Centre and **Doctor van Krandenburg** for their support with the medical kit that travels with us to Curious Cove. This is provided free of charge.

Interesting Maths Article

One of our teachers shared the following maths article from Professor Jo Boaler from Stanford University in the USA. It is written for teachers however it will give parents a good idea of the

philosophy around how we teach maths. Key points are

- The brain is like a muscle and can continue to grow and change making new connections i.e. intelligence is not fixed, it can GROW-neuroscientists have proved it!
- Struggling with learning, making mistakes in safe environments and persevering with tasks is essential to learning.
- It is important to **not** give children FIXED messages (via our language or celebrations etc.) e.g. "you're really brainy, good at maths", etc. This can be unhelpful for children especially when they come across tough problems. Jo says that this can create anxiety and take away the love of maths which is the exact opposite of what we want. When praising children, praise the process not the product.

Enjoy the read click the following link [Everyone Can Learn Mathematics to High Levels: The Evidence from Neuroscience that Should Change our Teaching](#)

Interesting Quote

'I work with a lot of mathematicians and one thing I notice about them is that they are not particularly fast with numbers; in fact some of them are rather slow. This is not a bad thing, they are slow because they think deeply and carefully about mathematics'. Jo Boaler

Little Heart Day

Thank you so much for all your support for Little Heart Day. We raised \$322.60 for HeartKids, which has been deposited to their bank account. Well done Kapanui!!

Staff news

The retirement bug is catching.....**Barbara Chatters** who has worked at Kapanui School for 12 years as our part time caretaker is finishing up in a couple of weeks. We'll miss Barbara around Kapanui School and her passion for the gardens! Many of you will also know Barbara's husband Ron who was caretaker at Kapanui School for

many years. It has been a long association at Kapanui School for the Chatters family.

Barbara plans on spending more time with family in Australia and in her garden!

School Donations

We realise that the beginning of the year can be a struggle financially for families with the costs of Christmas, camps, stationery etc. To ease this burden we will not be sending out requests for donations until the middle of the year. The fees remain the same as previous years i.e. \$160 per family and \$110 for one child. Thank you for your continued support.

Communication with Families-Google Forms

As reported last week we are moving to using google forms for informing parents and whanau or school activities. There may be a few hiccups as everyone gets used to the new system, however in time I'm sure you will find this form of communication simple and efficient. If you do not have access to the internet please let us know and we will send home a paper copy. Thank you.

CCC and re-establishing our Home and School (H&S) Committee

CCC-Coffee and Chat with Craig was on this morning. Thanks to everyone for coming along. I always enjoy these informal catch ups and it is a great way to meet others and to ask questions about school. The next CCC will be on **Tuesday March 12 at 9 am** the day before school swimming sports.

As mentioned last week we are keen to re-establish a **Home and School (H&S)**

Committee at Kapanui School, and I know that a number of parents are interested in this. There are 2 main key functions to the H&S

- Meeting other parents and whanau-social and fun!
- Helping to fundraise for the school-this allows the school to do or get the 'extras' e.g. the astro turf.

Due to the camps, parent evenings, swimming programme and class trips I will coordinate this meeting after the final camp is complete for **Tuesday 12 March @ 6:30pm**. Pop the date in

your diary, chat and encourage others to come along. Thank you!

Swimming Sports - 13 March 2019

10am-12:30 all heats for the freestyle events and all finals for backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly. 1:30pm all finals for freestyle and relay races. Parents we need your help for placings on the day. Please contact the school if you are available. Parents will need to organise themselves one relay team of 5. Mixed gender please.

Parent Help needed for the Sausage Sizzle, please contact Lisanne Templer on 021 547 263 if you can help on the day.

March is Coming – Let's Get Movin'!

Make the most of the beautiful weather and encourage your child to Walk or Wheel to and from school. Why Movin' March?

Not only does walking or wheeling to school reduce congestion and chaos at the school gate, it also provides an opportunity to slow down and get in some quality time with our tamariki.

Walking or wheeling to school solo or with friends can be a real confidence boost. And, as one parent put it last year, the fresh air and exercise before school helps 'get the wiggles out!'

How to make it work for your whanau Establishing active travel routines can be a challenge for some families. Our [Active Schools' Toolkit](#) is a great way to find some pro tips on how to get around the common barriers:

Our mediators will be at the gate every morning stamping travel passports. Plus they will have activities and competitions weekly to celebrate Movin March. Watch this space!

Last thoughts....

- Yay the Canes...just got there. A win's a win!
- Come on summer, hang in there for a few more weeks for our camps!

School app

This is a great tool for communicating your child's absence or receiving alerts.

Just download Kapanui School app from Google Play its free!

Interested in being a School Trustee?

Come along to NZSTA's Kōrari Programme to find out about becoming a school trustee on a school

board. Hui at Waikanae School in the school hall/staffroom on 18 March 2019 at 6.00 pm in the lead up to this year's board of trustees' elections.

At the Hui you'll hear about:

- What is a school board of trustees?
- What do trustees do?
- What skills do trustees need?
- Who can become a trustee?
- How do I become a trustee?
- Who is on a board of trustees?
- How is a board elected?
- What help do school trustees get
- How does the board of trustees work?

RSVP to f.charters@waikanae.school.nz
nzsta.org.

Community News

Fun Run on our Beautiful Beach

Just walk if you like. Sunday 31 March MacLean Park, Paraparaumu Beach.

Register or sponsor someone at
www.kapitirunforyouth.co.nz

Kids Go Free at Staglands on Children's Day

Staglands Wildlife Reserve will be celebrating Children's Day on Sunday 3rd March by offering FREE ENTRY into The Reserve for ALL CHILDREN. In addition to their usual attractions visitors can enjoy free off-road tractor-trailer rides. So if you are looking for a fun Children's day outing for the whole family; meet at Staglands and Connect with Nature on Sunday 3rd March.

*Offer is not available with any other offer.

Children (0-16 years) must be accompanied by paying adult.

For more information visit www.staglands.co.nz

House of Sound in School Music Lessons

House of Sound provides professional but fun, curriculum based music lessons during the School day. Classes are 25 minutes long and are in groups of 3 - 5. Options available are: Mean Beats (Percussion and Drums), Six String All-Stars (Guitar) and Star Finders which is an introduction to music for year 2 & 3 Students covering Piano, Ukulele and Percussion. Mean Beats, Six String All Stars & Cool Keys are only available for years 4 and up. To enroll your child in these fabulous music lessons grab an enrollment form from reception or go to www.houseofsound.co.nz and

click the "enroll for in-school music lessons" button. For more information please email: info@houseofsound.co.nz

What Now TV

During 2019 we are broadcasting our first 10 shows from around Wellington, show casing a different community each week. On Sunday 31st March, our show will be coming live from Paraparaumu and I would like to invite your families to be part of the live audience!

www.whatnow.tv/bonus/audience

Making New Zealand your home?

Join us for a free lunch and information session at Rimu Room, Coastlands Paraparaumu at 11am on Saturday 9 March. Email kapiti@cab.org.nz or www.cab.org.nz for more information.

Free Workshops for children

Clay pinch pot workshop for children at Mahara Gallery with artist Harriet Bright, Saturday 23 March, 10.30am – 12.30, Make your own fun, educational board game Saturday 13 April & Monday 15 April, 10.30- 12 noon. Workshops are free but bookings essential (limit 12 people). Bookings phone 902 6242.

The GO Club is back for Term 1!

Over 2 hours of science and technology based activities and crafts, we also provide a light afternoon tea. See all the info at:

www.enrolmy.com/the-go-club

Waikanae Junior Rugby Club Registrations

Register online at

www.sporty.co.nz/waikanaerugbyclub and join us at a clubroom registration day - Sat 23 Feb & Sat 2 March from 10am-12pm or Wed 27 Feb 6-7pm. All welcome but U8 grade up must attend to weigh in. \$50 per child and \$80 for 2 or more children. A new grade of Rippa rugby available for U8 & U9 players who do not wish to play tackle. Please contact Jane 021 836056 or Jaime 027 2559910 with any queries.

Kapiti Music Centre

5 year olds - adults

CONTACT US: admin@kapitimusiccentre.org.nz
www.kapitimusiccentre.org.nz

Phone 021 297 14143

Music Lessons at Kapanui School

Piano, beginner guitar, recorder, flute, singing, music theory lessons available during school hours, by an experienced NZ registered and trained teacher. Contact Malu Jonas on 027 845 3094, 04 905 8686, or jonasmalu9@gmail.com. Lessons may also be scheduled before or after school, if this is preferred.

Chriss Sallis Art Studio and Gallery

Artist and teacher Chrissie Sallis offers fun-filled term visual art workshops for children aged 7 – 12 years old. To join the email list contact: cjsallis@gmail.com Phone: 021 1485 716. FB: Chrissie Sallis Art Studio & Gallery. Studio in Waikanae Beach

Cranshaw Music

Free introductory lesson. Mention this ad valid until 12 April 2109. Contact 021 772 561/905 9317. \$32.50 half hour. \$15 an hour band class. Email: info@cranswhamusicsschool.co.nz
www.cranshawmusicsschool.co.nz

Kapiti Fruit and Veg Co-op

To register contact Christine 027 354 0125/904 7300. Email: kapitifruitandvegecoop@gmail.com

Celebrate Neighbours Day Aotearoa

with an OVER THE FENCE CUPPA!

This year marks the 10th anniversary of Neighbours Day Aotearoa, and in Kāpiti we are celebrating! Getting to know your neighbours better is a great way to help build stronger, happier and more resilient communities. Invite your neighbours for an 'Over the Fence Cuppa' and KCDC will support you with ideas, resources and a [Office Assistant](#) pack to help you create a fun get-together in your neighbourhood. Find out more at:

www.kapiticoast.govt.nz/neighboursday