

KAPANUI SCHOOL

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Kia Ora parents, children, caregivers and whānau.

Camps

We are into the final week of camps this week as Rangatahi Syndicate (Rooms 8, 9, and 11) left Monday morning on the ferry for Curious Cove. Camps last week to El Rancho and Curious Cove were really successful and everyone had a ball!

I will be away on camp all week. If you have any urgent matters please contact John Brunton or Michelle Whitaker.

Farewell Heather Randall and Barbara Chatters

This is **Heather's final week** and Thursday will be her last day. Heather wishes to discreetly exit 'stage left' however the staff will be having a quiet afternoon tea on Wednesday after school. Thank you Heather for your amazing teaching career and for your dedicated contribution to the children of Kapanui School. Your experience, compassion, kindness, professionalism and passion for special needs education and inclusive practices will be missed. You have been a wonderful colleague and we will miss you.

**Ma te huruhuru ka rere te manu
Adorn the feathers and the bird will fly**

You have provided the feathers for many, many Kapanui School children over the years. Enjoy your retirement, time with your family and time for yourself -thank you!

Monday was **Barbara Chatter's final** day at school after 12 years as part time Caretaker and almost 30 years association with Kapanui School. Barbara's husband Ron was our Caretaker for many years. Thank you Barbara for all of your work!

Rodney Turkington will be taking over from Barbara starting next week. Rod has been our relief Caretaker over recent years and is a familiar face around school.

Reporting Review

As mentioned in recent newsletters we will be reviewing our assessment and reporting systems at Kapanui School. The National Standards have gone and with the current Education Review in progress it feels as though we are entering an exciting time of change in education. The current reporting requirements from the Ministry of Education are outlined below....*for schools to report to students and their parents on progress and achievement of individual students:*

- *in plain language, in writing, and at least twice a year; and*
- **across The National Curriculum**

There is room for some interpretation as to what will adequately give effect to reporting to parents and their families "across the the National Curriculum", so schools do have discretion to design both their approach to the curriculum and to assessing and reporting on student progress and achievement, so that both recognise the aspirations and desires of the local community.

Schools now have more flexibility about how they assess, what assessment information they collect and analyse, and how they use it.

With this in mind we would like to engage parents and whānau and get your thoughts. Examples of our current reporting includes;

- End of year paper reports, learning journeys, 3 way conferences, birthday anniversary reporting in the Junior School and a National Standards goal sheets.

We would be grateful if you could please complete the following Google form to provide us with your ideas. We will keep this open for a few weeks and add this to the mix when we meet as a staff to share ideas and plan the way forward.

As an incentive to complete the form we are offering a **FREE PIZZA LUNCH to the class** who has the most responses! Thank you in advance.

[Click here for the form](#)

Last thoughts.....

- Woo hoo the Black Caps!!!!
- Boo hoo the traffic on the weekend-I hope that you were not stuck in it!

Movin March

Our mediators will be at the gate every morning stamping/signing travel passports.

This week's activities:

Wednesday

Decorate your form of transport day.

If you walk decorate yourself, if you bike, scoot or skate decorate any of these!

Prizes awarded at the parade taking place at 1pm.

Thursday

Wheels triathlon. Get a team of 3 (scooter, bike, runner) and we will have a fun competition around the school. Prizes!

Swimming Sports – Note change of date

Tuesday 19 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 Lianne Templer on 021 547 263 if you can help on the day.

Tennis Tournament

The tennis tournament that was supposed to be held Thursday 7th has been postponed.

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

Waikanae Football Club

2019 season registrations for children aged 4-13 close on 10th March. The season itself starts on 6th April. To register go to https://mycomet-oceania.analyticom.de/en_NZ/login.

Contact wfa.jnr@gmail.com or

see www.facebook.com/waikanaeafc for more details.

Park to Path is a free community fun run and walk with a 6km or 10km option

Starting at Otara Park, Otaihanga, the route takes you from the park onto the beautiful Waikanae river trail with the opportunity to take a selfie at the Selfie stand; before going onto the expressway track. The 10km option takes you towards Waikanae before looping back. There is a 1km kid's fun option with registration on the day.

Date: Sunday 10 March 2019

Time: 8.30am onwards

Where: Otara Park, Lancelot Grove, Otaihanga
<https://www.facebook.com/events/400986904009783/>

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

After School Art Classes

Waikanae Art and Craft Society each Thursday

Give Nicki a call 027 688 2908 or email
nvmanthel@live.com

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

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.

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.