

KAPANUI SCHOOL

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Start Date 2020
Friday February 7th

Pop this date into your diary, book your leave and enjoy a nice long summer!

Kia Ora Parents, Whānau and Children,

Wow, we are at the halfway point of term 2 already! This afternoon is our cross country run off for Years 5-8 at Waikanae Park. Thank you to everyone who came along to cheer the kids on and to those who attended the Years 3 & 4 race last week. A reminder that children who finish in the top 10 placings will be eligible to represent Kapanui at the Interschool on Wednesday 12 June.

Cross Country is all about giving it a go

For some children it is the best event all year...for others it doesn't get much worse! Which camp were you in as a child? With this in mind we are encouraging children to set personal goals and display resilience. The reality is that there are times in our lives when there are things we don't like doing or are hard. The more we can encourage children to get through the hard things the more resilience they will build. This should equip them to handle some of the bigger struggles life may throw up in a few years.

Next week we will publish the results from both events.

Student Led Conferences (SLCs)

Last week's note in the newsletter caught the attention of our school Facebook community and

it was great to read people engaging in the discussion on SLCs. Information about SLCs was in a previous newsletter (April 30) however this may have been missed by some. Anyway to clarify...

Student-led conferences take the form of a conversation between the student, their parents and their teacher. This approach gives students an opportunity to share with their parents, their growth as a learner. Supporting the student will be work/learning examples from their digital portfolio or Seesaw, school books, art work **as well as a written report**. Furthermore they should:

- Help students demonstrate evidence of learning
- Teach students the process of reflection and self-evaluation
- Increase oral communication skills and their self-confidence
- Encourage students, parents, and teachers to engage in open and honest dialogue
- Encourage students to accept personal responsibility for their learning
- Increase parent understanding of their child's learning through improving attendance at and satisfaction with the reporting process.

SLCs are a change from what people have known at Kapanui School, however change is not necessarily a bad thing and I encourage people to have an open mind. As with all new initiatives there will be a learning time for all parties- students, parents and staff and we will review them. We are confident that parents will leave the SLCs feeling informed of their child's progress and achievement, what they are enjoying about school and that they have had a thoroughly enjoyable experience.

As reported last week parent teacher interviews will be the following week if required by parents.

Finally we encourage parents to make contact with us throughout the year if you have any concerns or queries. Please do not wait until the SLCs or interviews if there is something pressing or on your mind - thank you!

NZEI Strike-tomorrow

As reported in the news both the Primary and Secondary school teachers will be involved in a mega strike tomorrow. Despite continued discussions with the Government the education community is disappointed that our demands have yet to be satisfactorily addressed. In short we are asking for

- A significant pay increase
- A genuine plan to address retention and recruitment of teachers
- Addressing concerns around workload and special needs requirements which many schools are struggling with.

Our teaching staff will be catching the train into Wellington to join others at the march. FYI teachers lose a day's pay when on strike, the cost of the train ticket + child care arrangements for some staff make this an expensive exercise. I only mention this as in discussions with some parents last week, they were surprised that teachers lose pay and transport costs were not covered by the union.

Te Reo Maori-Phrase of the Week...

Hei apōpō = see you tomorrow.

Last thoughts....

- Thanks to everyone who came along to CCC this morning!
- RIP Kiwi League legend Quentin Pongia
- "You'll Never Walk Alone"-come on Liverpool!!!!!!

School Photos

We have had to change the date of these due to heavy commitments in week 5.

The new dates for photos:

27 and 28 JUNE.

If you have already send an order in, there is no need to change it, only the date has changed.

Fun Zone Out of School Care

Contact or book Online

0800 543 9696

info@funzone.co.nz

www.funzone.co.nz

Be Bright Eat Right

This is our visiting show for term 2.

When: Tuesday 4th June.

Cost: \$4.00

Who: Whole school. (three shows).

The show **Be Bright Eat Right** teaches students to take control of their diets and creates positive attitudes towards food behaviour. The show supports the New Zealand Curriculum and commits to educational value, while providing a hilarious magic show full of audience interaction. The combination of magic, comedy **Money this week to the classroom teacher please.**

Home and School Movie Fundraiser

Are you coming along to the **Home and School movie fundraiser Rocketman on Thursday May 30?** Order tickets through our school website. Scroll down to the Rocketman tab.

Going paperless!

There has been feedback from parents stating they no longer require a paper copy of our weekly newsletter as they prefer the digital copy online/Facebook/email. If you want to receive a paper copy, they are available from the school office as from this week.



Board of Trustee Elections

Voting papers will be sent to all parents/caregivers listed on our school roll.
Voting closes at 12 noon on 7 June.

Matariki

It is almost time for Matariki the Maori New Year which runs for the month of June. This is a time to start to celebrate the New Year with family and friends, to cook and share food, to plant and to give back to our community. Last year, as our way of giving back to our community, the whole school collected non-perishable food for the Kapiti Food Bank. The Food Bank was overwhelmed with the generosity of the Kapanui school community and we would like to repeat this again this year. The types of preferred foods are; cereal, pasta, rice, canned fruit or vegetables [not baked beans or sliced peaches because they get too many] prepared food that can be heated, tea, coffee, pasta sauces and personal items such as hair shampoo, toothpaste and brush, hair brush, sanitary care, soap and disposable razors. Each day a group of senior children will go to each classroom to collect the items and we will record how many each class receives. This will become a competition. We will also need big boxes to store the food, so please send any spare big empty boxes. This collection will run until to the last Monday of the school term
Ngā mihi – Felicity

Community News

Too cold and dark for sports?

Come try out Kapiti Kidz Vocals
Ages 8-12 - Mondays 5-6pm \$10 per session.
Please email Fiona on gingasinger@gmail.com to confirm enrolment.

Yoga Nourish with Susan: Day and evening classes at local community Halls in Waikanae Beach and Reikorangi. General classes and Yoga for Pregnancy. Space for you to link to your body, mind and breath. Contact Susan for more info on 027 2740800;
susanyoganourish@gmail.com or <https://www.facebook.com/EasefulYoga>

Waikanae Junior Badminton Club

Held at Waikanae Memorial Hall 6pm to 7.30pm every Tuesday in School terms 2 and 3 for ages 7 to 14yrs. We have club racquets available if you don't have one. Please wear comfortable clothing and footwear suitable for sport. You don't need to register. Just turn up and introduce yourself to Sergiy and most importantly come and have some fun learning how to play badminton
Any questions please ring Sergiy Vorobey 0211877122 or Lynn Strickland 0272827464.

Sound Splash

Saturday 25 May Coastlands Aquatic Centre \$6 entry only/\$12 entry and dinner.
Tickets available from Coastlands Aquatic Centre Reception.

Topp Twins Go Country at Staglands

Monday 3rd June, Queen's Birthday Weekend will see NZ icons, The Topp Twins, Go Country at Staglands Wildlife Reserve as part of an Expressions Exhibition that Staglands are proudly supporting! Come to The Barn from 12-2pm for a meet & greet, fabulous photo opportunity and some general shenanigans!
Normal admission charges to The Reserve apply.

Harcourts brings you:

The Mid-Winter Christmas Fundraiser Ball.

Supporting Kapiti Foodbank.
Saturday 15th June 6 – midnight.
Southwards Car Museum.
Black Tie Dinner, auction, dancing.
Tickets \$110 per person or \$1000 or 10.
Contact Harcourts 902 9601.

The Kapiti Coast Museum

9 Elizabeth Street, Waikanae is running a competition to guess the number of litres of oil that the whale pot at the Museum can hold. There will be a book prize for the winning entry which will be announced at the Museum on Sunday 28th July 2019 at 3pm. Visit the Museum any Friday, Saturday or Sunday between 1pm and 4pm from 1st June to 28th July and try your luck.

A multiuse Indoor Centre

An invitation goes out to anyone involved in sports, community organisations, social groups, businesses and any interested person in an indoor multiuse Centre being established on the Kapiti Coast.

MEETING TO BE HELD AT:

THE COAST COMMUNITY CHURCH

57 HINEMOA STREET, PARAPARAUMU

DATE: WEDNESDAY 29TH MAY

TIME: 7PM TO 8:30PM.