

KAPANUI SCHOOL

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Kia Ora Parents, Children and Whānau,

We hope that you enjoyed the longer weekend. It is amazing how the one extra day recharges the batteries.

We had an excellent teacher only day on Friday and put a lot of the actions into our strategic document. We want this to be a 'living' document which guides our decisions, direction and learning experiences for the next 4 to 5 years. This will be discussed at next week's BOT meeting and we will then share it with our community.

Senior School Speeches



Congratulations to our 10 senior students who represented their class in the syndicate speeches last week. They spoke on a range of topics including diversity, anxiety, racism, success, internet celebs and fast foods. Mr Brunton was 'blown away' by the calibre of their deliveries and said that they just get better and better each year! Certainly a very good effort to be able to confidently stand and deliver a speech in front of 150 of your peers - awesome!!!

An exciting week ahead.....

The **Battle of the Bands** music competition is taking place at Southwards today. Year 7 & 8 bands from all over the Wellington region are competing. Well done to our school band False Alarm who rocked the stage!



Years 3 to 6 children are involved in an athletics carnival today at school. The students had great fun and there was a real carnival atmosphere on the field! Our senior event is next Tuesday, 5 November.

Tomorrow our **performance kapahaka group (years 6 to 8)** are performing at Aotea College in the evening. Matua Rangi tutors 4 schools and has arranged to get us all together. This will be a great opportunity to mix with other schools and to see their kapahaka. We are taking the bus and leaving school at 4:30pm. Enjoy the evening kids - kia kaha!



New Students

A very warm kia ora welcome to **Sophie and Kaiawa** who started school today. It is awesome to have you join us, and your siblings at school!



Staff News

Mrs Carolyn Esen is taking 'refreshment leave' for 2020 and will be returning to Turkey with her husband and boys for an extended holiday next year. We wish them all the very best for their trip and look forward to their return at the start of 2021. We have started the process of finding a teacher to teach Carolyn's class for the 2020 school year.

Sun Hats

A reminder that your child is required to wear a Kapanui School sunhat this term and term 1 next year. They are available to purchase through KINDO or the school office.

Extra Clothing

It is a good idea to pack extra clothing in your kid's bag, particularly in wet weather. We have a limited supply at school, but it is more comfortable for the children if they have their own clothes.

Mindfulness Parent Meeting-11 November 7:00-8:00pm

Mindfulness helps us to increase our ability to regulate emotions and decrease stress and anxiety.

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A parent meeting will follow our staff meeting which is being run by a Sara Watchorn, a teacher from Wellington, and it would be great to have a good audience hear Sara's messages and practical tips. The session is 60 minutes and is FREE. For planning purposes can you please complete [this google form if you intend to come along](#).

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

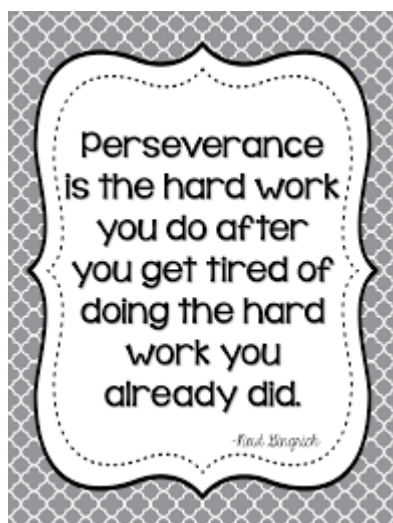
BYOD is **Bring Your Own Device**. This is available at Kapanui School for children in Year 5 and above. **We recommend Chromebooks or laptops** as a keyboard is essential for ease of use. Currently Noel Leeming and Harvey Norman are selling HP and Lenovo chrome books for **under \$350**. They are light, functional, quick to start up and operate, have a keyboard and are perfect for school use. Our local colleges also use chrome books so devices purchased at primary school can be taken on to college. If you would like to read

more about [BYOD at Kapanui School please click here](#) or go to our website and click on the BYOD tab on the home screen.

BYOD is not compulsory, however there are benefits for children's learning at school and home if they are able to bring their own device to school each day. We do have class sets of chromebooks, however the costs of upgrading these is a substantial cost to the school. Chromebooks will easily last for 4 to 5 years if looked after by the children.

Home and School

Thank you to Erin Bryson and Karen Doyle for the time and effort you have contributed to our Fundraising Committee. Sharee Fifield is stepping into the Treasurer's role and Rachel Bidwell as Secretary to work alongside our co-chairs Sam College and Gill Morgan.



Term 4 Value - **Manawanui/Perseverance**

Perseverance/manawanui is continued effort to **do** or achieve something despite difficulties, failure, or opposition. There are many examples at school, sports, music, kapahaka and even in relationships/friendships that we need to show perseverance. Have a chat about this with your children at home.

Last thoughts.....

Well what can I see...England rolled, bowled and rissled the ABs. That's sport...4 more years! Let's be honest, we have had an awesome 8 years so it's only right to share it around with other countries! Hmmm, who to support in the final?????

The Silver Ferns narrowly lost to the Diamonds but they are certainly back and the netball this year has been awesome!

Great movie to watch with your family..."Ride Like a Girl".

Celebrating Student Success

Mahara Gallery Poetry Readings

Sorry Camryn congratulations on your poetry recital last Saturday (we missed you off last week's newsletter).

Save the date - **Friday 13th December 4.30pm - 7pm** for Carols at Kapanui! More information to follow!

School Donations

Over the week-end you would have received a statement of your child's account via email. If you any queries contact the staff in the office.

Community News

Waikanae Beach Tennis Club Open Day - Friday 1 Nov 3.30 - 5.00pm

Come along to our junior tennis open day. Isaac and three other coaches will be running fun drills from 3.30pm. Please feel free to bring friends, this is a great chance to give tennis a go!

Check out our [Facebook Event](#) Fingers crossed no rain this time!



Paraparaumu College uniforms

\$120.00 (to buy new is over \$600)! Please phone Ange 021 02793393.

Waitohu School Fireworks Extravaganza

Friday 8 November, Huruatai Park, Mill Road, Ōtaki. Gates open 6.30 pm. Pre purchased tickets \$5.00.

On the night Adults \$8 and Students \$5. Tickets available from Waitohu School, Kiss and Bake Up, Waikanae and Ōtaki Mobil. Car parking available at Ōtaki College \$5 per vehicle.

Scary Night Roller Disco

Saturday 2nd November 2019, 6.30 – 8.30 pm. Entry \$10 Skate/Blade hire FREE. Spot prizes. Pizza, Cupcakes plus other snacks will be available. Get your family or group of friends together for evening of great skating for all ages. Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt .Ring/text 0226824517 emails rinkbooking@gmail.com skatewellington@yahoo.co.nz

Pre-Xmas Mini Session Day with Michelle Davies Photography

Saturday 16th November

15 Minute Sessions in Waikanae

Pricing starts at \$50

For bookings email kapitiphotographer@gmail.com

Kapiti Food Fair

Saturday 30 November at Mazengarb Reserve 10 – 4pm

www.kapitifoodfair.co.nz

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