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### Newsletter No 11 – 5 August 2021





## From our Principal



#### Kia ora koutou e te whānau

Whakataka te hau ki te uru, Whakataka te hau ki te tonga. Kia mākinakina ki uta, Kia mātaratara ki tai. E hī ake ana te atākura He tio, he huka, he hauhu Tihei mauri ora

Welcome back to one and all as we complete the second week of our journey through term three. Meteorologically this term can be a bit of a dour slog - we always expect a surfeit of inclement weather at this time of year - but this will not detract from the exciting and engaging things that will happen over the next eight weeks. And, of course, I could be totally wrong about the weather.

Perusing the term calendar of events, we have ahead of us; Nikau Swimming, the Rimu Arts Exhibition, our whole school Art Gallery, the Rimu Science Roadshow, the Whanau Hui, Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori, Stall Day, Wig Wednesday, the Artsplash Choir performance and various swimming sports. So, there is much to get our teeth into.

#### Mihi Whakatau

Last Friday we welcomed new students and parents to our school. The event itself doesn't take a long time but it follows Mihi Whakatau protocol and all of our students are expected to respond with a high degree of knowledge and respect. Our students responded wonderfully and it is something we want become second nature for us, as we welcome new whanau every term. Carl McManaway leads us with great passion in this area. Donna Miles bestowed on us an outstanding response on behalf of Manuhiri. Our head boy and girl, Darius and Ashleigh present as outstanding products of their families and of this school, they spoke eloquently and with sincerity. A lovely way to end the first week.









### **Jubilee Cup**

Well done to Tawa who won Wellington Rugby's supreme trophy with a resounding thrashing of M.S.P. last Saturday. Why does this sneak into the Adventure School newsletter I hear you venture?

Well, in the first place as an avid M.S.P. supporter I will have to eat humble pie and acknowledge Tawa's success to the Tawa supporters on the staff (there are a few) but more importantly Akira Ieremia (Tawa loose forward) may well be the first former pupil of Adventure School to win a Jubilee Cup. I'm happy to be proved wrong on that if someone can produce data to the contrary. In the interim well done Akira.

#### He Toa Taiohi

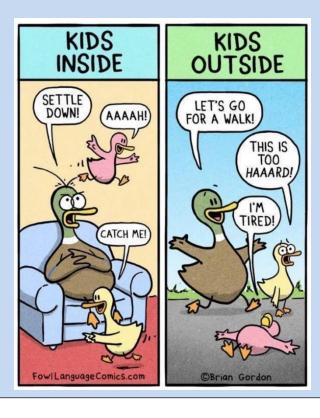
He Toa Taiohi is a confidence and leadership programme targeted at young people to connect them with their Maori identity and culture. The programme is delivered through the Taiaha techniques developed by Whaitiri Poutawa.

Whaitiri has a long-standing relationship with Adventure School and he will run the programme on Mondays this term.





## Thought For The Day...



.... If Someone from the 1900's suddenly re appeared now, what would be the most difficult thing to explain about life today?

.... I possess a device in my pocket that is capable of accessing all the accumulated Knowledge and information known to the human race.

I use it to look at pictures of cats, get into arguments with strangers and send photos of my dinner to friends.

Whakahari

Nō reira,tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

John Wootton (Principal)





# The Adventure Way Through Play

Each day in Kowhai children grow the Adventure Way attributes through play. Children are coached by their teachers to develop curiosity, creativity, collaboration, self-awareness and self-direction.











# Discover who you can be... CREATIVE ADVENTURERS

inspire

play

innovate

imagine

dream

open their hearts and minds to possibilities

#### We:

- use our imagination to view or create things in new ways
- generate many solutions to a problem
- take risks and use failure as a learning opportunity
- are not afraid to be different
- whāia naā moemoeā
- have fun

Seek your own path...Whāia te ara tika

In growing creativity, we encourage children to:

- Not be afraid to be different and unique
- Think laterally to solve problems
- Be inspired to follow their interests across the New Zealand Curriculum

Here are some photos of the Year 1 students developing their Creativity in Term 2.















Level One New Zealand Curriculum Links within these photos include: The Arts; Music & Visual arts, Technology, and Physical Education.



- + Explore and express sounds and musical ideas, drawing on personal experience, listening, and imagination
- + Explore a variety of materials and tools and discover elements and selected principles.
- + Investigate visual ideas in response to a variety of motivations, observation, and imagination.



+ Technological products: Understand that technological products are made from materials that have performance properties.





- + Regular Physical Activity: Participate in creative and regular physical activities and identify enjoyable experiences.
- + Movement Skills: Develop a wide range of movement skills, using a variety of equipment and play environments.

Play is the highest form of research

Albert Einstein



# Room 7 and 10's Teddy Bear Picnic

During Term 2, Rooms 7 and 10 learnt about Fractions and what a whole, a half and a quarter look like. We thought it would be fun to put our new knowledge of fractions into practice by having a Teddy Bear's Picnic.



We made honey sandwiches which we cut into halves or quarters and we shared Tiny Teddy's with our bears.











Please join us in the School Hall on August 12<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:00pm to appreciate art pieces created by all our Adventure Students with a special performance by the Choir at 6pm.



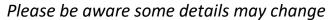
Gold coin donation entry and refreshments will be available.



All funds raised will support the choir and their attendance at Artsplash later this Term.



## **Important Dates for Your Calendar**





		TERM THREE
Week 2	Tues 3 – Thurs 5 August	Nikau swimming
	Thursday 5 August	NE Hearing & Vision testing
		6.15 pm: Rimu Syndicate Arts Exhibition (School Hall)
Week 3	Tues 10 – Weds 11 August	Nikau swimming
	Tuesday 10 August	7.30: PTNi meeting. All welcome
	Thursday 12 August	5.30-7pm: Adventure Visual Art open evening (NE-Yr 8)
	Friday 13 August	Lucky Book Club Issue 5 orders close
Week 4	Monday 16 August	6.30: BOT meeting. All welcome
	Friday 20 August	6.00: School Disco
Week 5	Monday 23 August	Team photos
	Tuesday 24 August	Year 3/4 Sports Festival - Te Rauparaha Arena
Week 6	Tuesday 31 August	Year 5-8 Swimming Sports (Only students interested in qualifying for Parumoana Swimming Sports)
Week 7	Tuesday 7 September	Year 7 & 8 vaccinations
	Wednesday 8 September	"Wig Wednesday" – more details soon
Week 8	Monday 13 September	ArtSplash Choir Performance (Michael Fowler Centre)
	Friday 17 September	Stall Day (run by Year 7/8's)
Week 9	Monday 20 September	6.30: BOT meeting. All welcome
	Thursday 23 September	Rimu Syndicate Science Road Show
Week 10	Friday 1 October	Final day of Term 3

Term One: Friday 5 February – Friday 16 April
Term Two: Monday 3 May - Friday 9 July
Term Three: Monday 26 July - Friday 1 October

**Term Four:** Monday 18 October to Thursday 16 December

School will be closed on the following days:

Waitangi Day: Monday 8 February

Easter: Friday 2, Monday 5 & Tuesday 6 April

Queen's Birthday: Monday 7 June

**Teacher Only Day**: Tuesday 8 June (Term 2) **Labour Day**: Monday 25 October

Teacher Only Days: Friday 19 November & Monday 22 November (Term 4)

## **Community Notices**

#### **ARTY FARTY KIDS - Term 3 Classes**

Do you have an Arty Farty Kid in your family, would they like to sign up to an after school or weekend class?

Take a look at what we have on offer this term and get in touch with me if you are interested in signing up your child to a class.

Contact me at office.artyfartykids@gmail.com

Arty Farty Kids LTD

022 174 8558

# PLAY LIKE A SPORTS HERO! – TERM 3 (Yrs. 0-4) – Wednesday's 3.05pm-4.05pm (PLEASE NOTE - STARTS WEDNESDAY 28 JULY 2021 WEEK 1!)

Kelly Sports is back in Term 3 Week 1 with their fun and exciting classes.

This term we will focus on the following sports: *Football, Hockey, Ultimate Frisbee and Dodgeball!*This weekly programme gives children the skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such

involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability.!

For full details and to enrol into our programmes

visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201

# The Celtic Coast Concert - 07 August 7pm A night of Scottish and Irish music, dance and song

Plimmerton School Hall – 11 School Road - Plimmerton

Door sales only Raffles Prizes for best dressed

Tickets \$15 waged \$10 unwaged

Children under 12 free (accompanied by an adult)

Proceeds to support the Kapiti Pipe Band learners' programme

Contact Charlie on 0274387714 for more information

Organised by Kapiti Coast Pipes and Drums with the Rattling Bog Celtic Band

# Queen Margaret College Open Day 13 & 15 August 2021

We build confident, adventurous women ready to make their mark in the world. With 100+ years of leading education, we are passionate about creating amazing futures and seeing every student thrive. We are the only girls' school in Wellington to offer the International Baccalaureate Programme for Years 1-13. Come along to one of our Open Days and get to know us.

Register online at gmc.school.nz

#### An invitation to a celebration of Whitby's 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee

2-4pm Sunday 8th August Whitby Collegiate All welcome Hosted by Whitby Residents' Association

