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PAANUI

Te Wahanga tua tahi mo te wiki tuawha Tokohia ngā tamariki: 60



16th May 2023 Kia ora e te whanau,

Congratulations to our students that participated in the Paakowhai Speech Competition last week which was organized by the Te Nehenehenui Trust. We had 7 x students involved with them all putting in a fantastic effort. Well done to Kauri Wynyard, Stella Pari, Amaia Tapu, Hatta Hodge, Alexi Hughes, Te Maunu Tihore-Whare Harris and Kiara Turner. Your dedication to preparing, practicing and then delivering your speeches is a real credit to you all.

Well, I suppose it is autumn and the chill factor has started to settle in now. With this, we have noticed a sharp climb in positive cases for Covid 19 in our community. Just a reminder, if you have tested positive, you will need to isolate yourself. But not the rest of your whaanau. If they have tested negative, they can continue to do things like attend kura. We have plenty of test kits available for free at the kura should you need any.

Well done to Wiremu Rangitonga who placed 9th (intermediates) and Stacey Rangitonga who placed 8th (seniors) at the Rangitoto Cross Country Interschools held last Friday. Due to the poor weather conditions leading up to the event, trainings were very few compared to in previous years. Only a small number of participants attended on a day that turned out to be one of the sunniest we have had for a long time. Who was to know.

Already we're nearly in the middle of the Term. Assessments and mid-year reports to whaanau will be happening shortly followed by interviews

Heoi ano Kevin Ikin, Principal

Upcoming Events this Term

Duffy Theatre performance at kura Tues 16th May Aria Orienteering Fri 16th June Volleyball Tournament Thurs 22nd June Aria Science Fair Wed 28th June Last day of Term 2 Fri 30th June

Community Notices

Reminder of our Duffy Theatre: Today, we will have some special visitors at the kura from 1:30pm. Whaanau are more than welcome to join us for a special assembly.

Here is a brief of what will be going on...
The James Webb Space Telescope keeps sending its amazing images back to earth and Duffy can't get enough! He is devouring every book about space that he can never really thinking it would be possible to go there at all. Little does he know that he is about to embark on an adventure that will take him to multiple universes in the cosmos with his personal tour guide, himself from a different planet! This year's Duffy show will see Duffy and his alter ego get into all sorts of trouble in outer space and we will see how their love of books and reading helps them find their way home.

We provide Duffy Books for whaanau throughout the year. This is a way of encouraging students to read and engage with literacy.

Attendance at kura update:

Every day it matters...

Let's have our tamariki at kura every day... Week 3 of Term 2 averaged approx. 80% attendance. As a kura, we can do much better than this, but we are going through one of the most challenging periods with winter colds and chills causing a large number of absences. We are currently at 85%. Keep it up...

We are very hopeful of aiming to have our tamariki attending kura more regularly with over a 94% attendance. Thank you for working with us.

Centennial Park School Values Ngā Uara

Wairua Hihiko - (Innovation) their creativity, imagination and flair for innovation

Panekiretanga - (Excellence) in all they apply themselves to

Mana Tangata - Pride in their identity, resilience when faced with challenges and adversity, enduring respect and care for hapū and iwi, integrity of character and as an individual

Maniapototanga – versed in the whakapapa, waiata, karakia, histories of Maniapoto

In the past we relied on Whaea Tui and Whaea Janie to always be there for our tamariki and making breakfast 2 x days per week. Whaea Tui has passed away and no longer with us. Whaea Janie has moved away and lives too far for her to be here for the morning starts.

We seek the support of our whaanau to help out and create a roster to share the routine of having our tamariki get a great start to the morning – especially now that it is cooler.

Everyone is busy – some more than others. Hopefully someone will hear this call... Contact the kura office for more details. Ngaa mihi

A moment in time – History in New Zealand

13th May 1995: NZ wins the America's Cup: Few New Zealanders in 1995 could have avoided television commentator Peter Montgomery's famous line, 'the America's Cup is now New Zealand's cup!'

14th May 1870: **First game of rugby played in New Zealand:** Around 200 people were on hand at Nelson's Botanic Reserve to watch a game of football played under Rugby rules.

14th May 1907: **Plunket Society formed:** Dr Frederic Truby King helped form the Society for the Promotion of the Health of Women and Children at a meeting in Dunedin Town Hall.

Having an understanding of Financial Literacy is important. It gives you an insight into what is going on for you and your income. It is not all bad news but an understanding and awareness.

Did you know:

The average student loan in 2022 was \$22,065. (however, it does not take that long to repay this once into fulltime employment)

Nearly a third of Kiwis still working after 65 say they have to do so to pay the bills. (Lifestyle and its little luxuries play a major part here)

Kiwi superannuitants receive just 43% of the average working wage - ranking New Zealand the sixth-worst in the OECD.

To generate \$82,500 of income on retirement at a term deposit return of 4.5%, a retiree now needs to have saved over \$1.8 million. (to give you approx. 20 years of retirement earnings)

Buying a house is ridiculously difficult today unless you have good savings. The average property across NZ is now worth 10 times the average annual income. In 2004 it was 4 times.

- There are support agencies in our community to help whaanau
- Have these financial discussions with your tamariki to help future proof them for what lies ahead. Think about savings and work ethics so better paid jobs become the focus not just any job or the first job only once they leave school.

Tatsuno-Japan Exchange Update: We have 3 x students counting down to the day in early June when they venture off to Japan as ambassadors of the Waitomo district.

The families of the three students, Amaia, Stacey and Miriama have been fundraising for a number of months now. They would like to acknowledge and thank you all for the support they have received and to the many people that have gone out of their way to make this an experience of a lifetime. In the senior classes, they are all learning greetings and sayings which will help build their confidence.

The count down and realisation is on...

Mr Plendy's Gymnastics is Back!



Just turn up (no booking required)

Gallagher Recreation Centre

1A Eketone St (same entrance as Te Kuiti High School)

Tuesdays 4.30pm-6pm (during school terms)

Koha Entry

Ages 8+ – any skill level, beginners welcome

If info required contact Plendy: 021–140–7169
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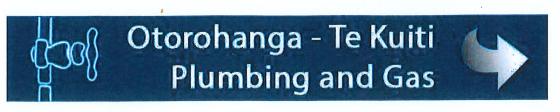
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