



KAHUTARA SCHOOL

Opening the gates to our future.
Huakina nga kuaha ma a tatou ao ake tonu.

Manaakitanga

Connectedness

Confidence

Critical Thinking

NEWSLETTER

10 June 2024 - Week 6

Kia ora koutou,

What a wonderful day we had on Friday hosting the Featherston Schools Cluster Cross Country. The weather was perfect, the kids were excited and our adult helpers and volunteers were wonderful. A huge thank you to all of our parents and caregivers who came along to support this event. We will pop a special newsletter out later in the week acknowledging the students who are moving to the next stage, as well as the parents and caregivers who helped with this event. Permission slips and information for the Wairarapa Cross Country event will come out in the next few days. Our KPC had a really successful day fundraising over \$1600 which is AMAZING! A special thank you to them for all of their work, and to our families who donated so much baking! Becky McGuinness did an exceptional job leading the event, especially given that she is new to our school and team. I'm so proud of our students; for the way that they competed on Friday and for the way that they hosted the other schools in our cluster. It was a great day to be part of and we are very grateful to our school community for helping to make this a wonderful experience for 470 students!



Kahutara School Board

Casual vacancy for a parent representative

A casual vacancy has occurred on the school board for an elected parent representative.

The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection.

If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Request for a by-election should be sent to:

Victoria Shaw (Presiding Member)

Kahutara School Board

bot.chair@kahutara.school.nz

by Thursday 11th July

May Photo Dump





SCHOOL PHOTOS

I have organised for L.C. Scott to take our school photos this year. They provide excellent quality photography and the ordering process is simple and straightforward. They will be taking our **school photos on Wednesday 26th June** (Week 9). If you would like to pre-order your child's photo, you can do so by clicking on this link: [L.C. Scott pre-order Kahutara School Photos](#)

If you would like a family photo to be taken, this needs to be pre-ordered using the link above. We will send home paper order forms closer to the date, if you would prefer to pay in cash, your child(ren) will also come home with a slip on the day too with details on how to order.

TECHNOLOGY FOR YEAR 7-8

Unfortunately Featherston School is unable to run their Technology programme this term due to staffing shortages so our Year 7-8 students have not been able to go to Technology. We are really sorry for this as we know how much they love Technology but there are no specialist teachers available at the moment, despite their best effort to make an appointment. They have a plan to begin Technology again in Term 3 so I will keep students in Hub 1 updated when I hear more.

MID-YEAR STUDENT REPORTS

Our teachers are currently writing mid-year reports for all students. These will be sent home with students on Thursday 27th June. We will be offering parent-teacher meetings in Term 3, but if you would like to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their learning and/or anything else, you are welcome to contact the teacher directly to organise this.

STAFF SICKNESSES

As you will be aware, there is a real shortage of relievers and teachers in schools around the country at the moment. As expected at this time of the year, we unfortunately have a number of staff who are unwell and are unable to come to work. When we can, we organise for relief teachers to cover classes but when relievers are not available, I will go into classrooms and teach, and sometimes we have to split classrooms for the day so students work with other classes in the school. I wanted to let you know that we work closely as a team to look at how we can best support our students when staff are away, and that student learning is always a priority for us. Thank you for your understanding around this.

GITARIST FOR KAPA HAKA

I would really like to be able to find someone who can play the guitar to support our Kapa Haka. We have Kapa Haka on Wednesday afternoons every second week. If you are able to help us, or know of someone who could, please get in touch with me - I'd love to hear from you! Our tamariki have learned lots of new waiata this year but we really need a guitar to help us stay in tune ;) Let me know if you can help.

Ngā Mihi

Ariana Te Whetu

Congrats to our Values Certificate receivers!



Welcome to our Kahutara School family Miss Florence May Sims!

We are overjoyed to introduce you to Brooke and Matt's wee bundle of joy, born 19 May. Flossie is settling into life wonderfully - Mum and Dad are absolutely smitten. Well done team Sims!



UPCOMING DATES:

- Tues 11 June - Year 8s attending Kuranui College Open Day
- Thur 13 June - Trip to Capital E for x6 students in Hub 1 and 2
- Fri 14 June - Kahutara School hosting Ki o Rahi Tournament for Year 7-8s in South Wairarapa
- Tues 18 June - Wairarapa Cross Country Event
- Wed 19 June - South Wairarapa Netball Tournament
- Wed 19 June - Rm 3 visiting Ruamāhanga Farm
- Thur 20 June - Kuranui College Open Evening
- Fri 21 June - Kahutara Community Meet and Greet Dinner at 6pm
- Mon 24 June - Board Meeting 5pm
- Wed 26 June - School Photos
- Thurs 27 June - Student Reports come home
- Fri 28th June - Matariki Public Holiday
- Tues 2nd July - Regional Cross Country
- Fri 5 July - Last day of term 2

Correspondence

Kahutara Hall Meet & Greet 2024

Friday 21st June at 6pm

It's that time again for our annual community potluck dinner!

WHY: To meet up with all the new members in our lovely district.

WHERE: Kahutara hall (opposite the school)

WHAT TO BRING?: - Food to share, Beverages of choice to drink, and children to play.

Also you may bring an item of food to be swapped for a ticket. Items will be placed in a hamper and the winning ticket will be drawn on the night. Musicians welcome.



See you there!



FRIENDS OF ST TERESA'S SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

BINGO NIGHT

6pm Friday 14 June 2024

Featherston Sports Hub

Hosted by ZAPPO the Magician

Doors open 6pm - Games start 6.30pm

Sports Hub Bar Open, Raffles + Silent Auctions

Desserts + Hot Chips available for purchase

Ticket \$25 pp

Tickets include 5 games + light refreshments
Tickets are limited - email fosta@teresas.school.nz
or message our FOSTA Facebook Page



Venue: Featherston Sports Hub, 60 Johnson St
Raising Funds for St Teresa's School Featherston



Te Kareti o Kānihera
Chanel College



Matariki

OPEN EVENING & STUDENT SHOWCASE

Wednesday 19th June

School open in action -

1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.

Showcase -

4.00 p.m. - 7.00 p.m.

Food
Entertainment
Stuff to buy

Come along and see
what our school has to offer your child and check out
the great mahi of our current students.

JUICIES MOOSIES

TUESDAYS!

The KPC is selling juices and moosies every
Tuesday for \$2 each.
You can order before school on Tuesdays
from outside the old library and they will be
delivered to you at 12:30pm



Be Fit Be Healthier Be The Best Version Of You



MOOV with SOOZ

Bodyweight HIIT

All Levels Welcome

Koha Entry

Kahutara Hall
Mondays and Wednesdays
5:45 - 6:30

Drink bottle, towel and mat
recommended

Susana Scott

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