

# **Kamo Primary School**

Term 3 - 9th August 2023

Term 3 dates: Monday 17 July to Friday 22 September. No public holidays this term but the Term 3 holiday dates are 23rd September to 8th October.

#### Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa.

#### Maramataka

Maramataka is used to guide planting, harvesting of crops, fishing and hunting. It translates as 'moon rotating.' Hereturikōkā - (July - August): "The warmth of the fire can be seen on the knees of people." Hereturikōkā is a significant time for inanga (whitebait) as they migrate through fresh waterways, preparing for their adult lives. This is also when people catch inanga to eat.

#### **Mrs Lowther**

On Friday 4th August we farewelled Mrs Lowther as she went on leave. Mrs Lowther taught in Room 5, was the team leader for Kauri and supported all our sport. We wish her well on her leave and have Mrs Sonja Lamb joining us and teaching in Room 5. Mrs Jones will lead Team Kauri and we have the sports covered as well.

#### Whānau Interviews

Thank you for taking the time to attend an interview for your child/ren, I have received good feedback from some attendees. I extend to you all, please let us know if it did not work for you, or any concerns you have. My email is principal@kamoprimary.school.nz

Please note, if confidentiality is requested, it will be given. Feedback helps me to grow this school. We did the interviews over a few weeks as that was requested by parents/whānau in our survey last year. Many of you have made connections of gratitude for this and we thank you.

#### Sickness

Sickness is starting to come back into the school. It is not major and mainly viral. Thank you for supporting our call when we ask that your child be picked up. This way we hope to prevent it spreading further.

#### **Board of Trustees Meeting**

When we met on Tuesday, our Board reviewed some policies and discussed school life. When you elected our Board of Trustees you voted well, as the Board members you chose truly support and function well as governance.

#### **Our Definitions**

As you can appreciate, we have definitions in a school that we use so that we can guide our staff and students to provide the best understanding for everyone. We have the following three which we have mentioned before but I will share them again so that our new whānau can understand them as well. I need to express that the word 'bullying' needs to be unpacked when you hear it at home. Our definitions...

When someone does or says something that hurts you BUT they didn't mean to	that's an accident.
When someone does or says something that hurts you AND they meant to	that's being unkind.
When someone keeps on doing or saying things that hurt you ON PURPOSE, even when you have asked them to stop	that's bullying.

#### My reminder as always...

Please, if you need/want to see your child's teacher around learning, social skills, interests, changes in circumstances, etc, then please do. Do not wait for a special time. Act now.

Hei konā mai Sally Wilson - Principal

# **Preschoolers - Kamo Primary School**

If you would like your child to attend Kamo Primary School and you live in zone please contact the school to place your child on our pre-enrolment list. (18months prior to them turning 5). This enables us to maintain accurate records of our pre-enrolments and to plan for future classroom spacing and staffing.

If you live Out of Zone and would like to place your name on our Out of Zone list (Applications close 11th October 2023) please contact Denise Batten on <u>finance@kamoprimary.school.nz</u> or phone 4351482 to put their name on the list.

More information to follow shortly.

If you are unsure of where our zone is please contact the school (094351482) or visit our website: www.kamoprimary.school.nz

## **School Notices**

- Lunches online -Fridays.Westend Sushi bar is open again .
- Room 15 is collecting milk bottle lids.
- Newspaper wanted for our art room.
- Lost property is on display outside the school office.
- Does anyone have a spare chess set at home. Room 7 would love these.

## Library - Overdue Library Books

Please can you and your child have a look at home and return any books you find. If you know your child has lost a book please replace this book by buying another one. It doesn't need to be the same book.

If you are unsure of the books your child has out you can email Kimberley in the library at <u>library@kamoprimary.school.nz</u>

Thank you so much. We really need these books returned.



#### Friday 25th August is Daffodil day

Donations will be collected from your child's class on Friday morning. Please support this wonderful cause.

# Kamo Primary Home and School Association

Hi everyone,

Our new concrete pad is looking amazing, huge thanks to Fusion Civil (a KPS whanau) with getting our pad completed! This will be a great resource for everyone to enjoy.

We are wanting to put picnic tables on the concrete pad for tamariki to be able to have lunch and extend their learning from the classroom and we are asking if any businesses would like to be involved with donating a table (your business name would be engraved on a plaque and attached to the table).

If you'd like to know more information, please email: <u>homeandschool@kamoprimary.school.nz</u> and we'll be in touch!

Our next meeting is being held on Wednesday 30th August at 6.30pm - if you'd like to join! If you'd like to read a copy of our minutes these are available in the school office.



Mrs Keyte's weekend roster at the Whangarei Public Library. She would love to see our tamariki at the library. 16+17 Sep 28+29 Oct 9+10 Dec





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