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He iwi KŌTAHI tātou. Working together as one.

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Kia Ora whanau

Welcome to Term 3, I hope everyone enjoyed the term break!

The weather has certainly been very cold and wet of late, please make sure tamariki are coming to school dressed for the weather, if they have not been issued a school black jacket please send them to the office and they'll be issued one. There are a lot of bugs going around, if your child is sick, please keep them home.

Another great term ahead of us, jam packed with lots of learning and fun.

We have Harold & the Life Education truck coming in, each class has chosen their own topics to learn around resilience & caring. School production is later in the term, your tamariki have been working hard towards it so we hope to see you there!

Rangitaiki Soccer/ Hockey Day is coming up in August, followed by the EBOP Volleyball and Gutter board competitions held in September.

Our School Ag Day (Pets Day) is being held in the last week of school, forms will be sent home within the next few weeks for children who are wanting to participate & enter their pets.

I'd just like to say a huge thank you to all of our whanau who came along to support our tamariki and their class stalls for Matariki in term 2, and to those who gave of their time or donated towards the cause thank you all very much, we certainly have a wonderful school community!

The amounts raised per class range between \$700 – \$1300, an outstanding effort!
All funds raised will go towards the cost of class camps in Term 4.

KOTAHI VALUES

OUR KOTAHI VALUES FOCUS FOR THIS TERM IS "KO"

K = KIA MANA MOTUHAKE – BEING MOTIVATED ACHIEVERS

O = Owning our Learning and actions – Powerful Learners

KO TE MANU E KAI ANA TE MIRO NONA TE NGAHERE,

KO TE MANU E KAI ANA TE MATAURANGA NONA TE AO!

THE FOREST BELONGS TO THE BIRD THAT FEASTS
ON THE BERRIES,
THE WORLD BELONGS TO THE BIRD THAT FEASTS
ON KNOWLEDGE!

Reminder again regarding school uniform, Teal polo shirt and tidy black pants. School uniform tops are available in the office. They are \$15 each.

Also any plain black jersey now that we are into the cooler months.

Please ensure you like us on Facebook and sign up to the Skool Loop App to keep in touch with what is happening here at school. If you are not in your child's class "Messenger Group" please see their teacher and become part of the class chat as teachers are using this for reminders and as a way of contacting parents/caregivers. We do try and keep you informed on events taking place at school and the electronic way seems to be the best way to reach you all. If you do not use Facebook, Messenger or Skool Loop then please ensure you keep in touch with the school so we can get information to you on events concerning your child/ren.

Thanks,

Tania Raynes - Principal

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Upcoming Events/Activities

Aug 6 - 8th - Life Education

Aug 15th - Rangitaiki Soccer/Hockey Day

Aug 21st - Production Day

Aug 30 - 31st – AIMS Games

Sept 12th - EBOP Gutter board

Sept 17th - EBOP Volleyball

Sept 17th – AG Day/Pets Day

Sept 18th – Last day of Term

Sept 19th - Teacher Only Day

School Uniform:

Uniform tops can be purchased from the School Office for \$15.00 each (sizes 6-16).

Absentees:

If your child is absent please send a message via skool loop or phone or email the school to advise or text your child's teacher – remember to give a reason for an absence. Our absentee records go to the Ministry of Education now so we would rather put a genuine reason than an unknown absence.

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Please use student name and a description as a reference when depositing. eg: Jack – uniform.