

Te Kura o Hau Karetu

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Week 9, Term 3, 2025

Kia ora, Talofa Lava, Mālō e lelei, Kia orana, Namaste, Kumusta, Hello, Gidday,

Nau mai haere mai/welcome



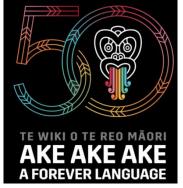
<u>School Production:</u> Of course, the talk around the school is all about our school production - Our School Production "He Ira Ātua, He Ira Tangata" It is being held performed on the following days:

- ☐ Wednesday 11th September dress rehearsal 10am
- ☐ Thursday 12th September 3.30-4.30
- ☐ Thursday 12th September 5.30-6.30 (children will be given pizza for dinner)

Tickets are on sale now. Limit of 4 tickets per family. Tickets are \$5 each and proceeds of the sale go towards costs for the Production and any profit will go towards our new netball courts. Purchase tickets from the office. While we have a limit of 4 tickets per family, ticket sales are slow – we will put your name on a waitlist for additional tickets. If there are plenty of tickets left by 9am this Thursday the 11th, we will offer them to you. So, everyone, please book now or you could miss out!

This Thursday, we have two performances, one at 3.30-4.30 and another at

5.30. We will look after the children during this time and give them pizza for dinner at 4.30-5pm. Parents, please come and pick up your child at 6.30pm after the school production performance. We will only allow children to leave with people who are on your "pick up" list. Thank you for your cooperation in this.



Te Wiki o te Reo Māori - Māori Language Week next week 15th September:

Our kura is excited about celebrating Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori – it's been 50 years since the development of Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, so a very special time. To celebrate, we will be holding the following throughout the week:

- •Colouring in competition winners announced at assembly
- Learning the longest word people to learn and do the song at assembly and Kapa Haka
- Singing on the quad Māori language moment weather permitting
- •Te Mataahae lead hui for the week
- •One off passionz club Wednesday middle block from 11.30am parents are invited to join us in the fun
- Wednesday pm sharing kapa haka performances and non-performance

<u>Bake Sale:</u> Next Wednesday 17th September, we are holding a bake sale to raise funds for our new netball court. Please bring baking and money! All items are \$1, \$2, and \$3. Thank you for your support.

<u>Disco:</u> Next Thursday 18th of September, there will be a K-Pop Demon Hunters disco from 2pm. It is free to enter, but costs \$5 for a goodies bag. A special sensory disco will be held for those who don't like too much noise at 12pm.

<u>Mahi around the school:</u> <u>Working Bee:</u> On Saturday 13th September 9am-12pm, we are holding a working bee at the school. We will be supported by some of the members of Arise Church (these are the wonderful people who make and serve cooked breakfasts to our tamariki each Wednesday). It would be

great if you were able to support us with this. There will be a BBQ for lunch. Please let Roseanne or Rachel at the office know if you're able to make it. Busy, busy, busy!

<u>A heads up:</u> In Week 1 of term 4, we will be holding a parent evening/hui to chat about our topic for the term which is Navigating the Journey. Within that unit of work will contain some Sexuality content. The meeting for parents will be held in the staffroom on **Wednesday 8th October at 5.30-6.30pm** for a chat and Q&A session with teachers. Feel free to drop in and have a discussion over a cuppa. Thank you.

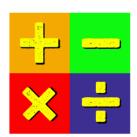
<u>Illness:</u> The latest is the dreaded **tummy bug**. It seems to be sweeping through the school. Please keep your children home for 48 hours after their last episode of vomiting as this ensures the bug is totally out of their system. Unfortunately, people could be carrying the bug before they even know they've got it, so the best way to not catch it is make sure hands are washed, hand sanitiser is used, and that children keep items out of their mouths and nose including fingers and pencils! We will always continue to wipe surfaces with disinfectant or antiseptic.

Also, we have **kutu/nits** back again. Please check your child's hair daily and treat the nits with nit shampoo and spray. Don't share brushes or combs at home. We have treatment here at school for free – just ask at the office. Also, you can have your doctor prescribe nit treatment and it shouldn't cost you anything.



<u>Kaupapa mō te wiki/Value of the week:</u> Our value this week is – Atawhai/Kindness – Being a fabulous audience. That means we support each other's performances, pakipaki/clap when appropriate, give everyone positive vibes!

<u>Father's Day Raffle</u> – Congratulations to Irou who received first prize in the Father's Day Raffle, and Bonnie who won second. Mīharo!



<u>Math – Basic Facts Fundraiser</u>: As we have carried out our basic facts-a-thon, we are now collecting all proceeds that are due by this Friday please. Well done to all of you who participated – we think everyone's basic facts have improved as a result of this event and we are really proud of the tamariki.

Board Elections: As of writing this newsletter, we haven't yet received the results for the elections, but we are due to hear very soon – in a couple of hours. We will advise you via Skool Loop of the results.

School pick-ups: Please help us keep pickup time calm and safe. We kindly ask parents to park in an appropriate place (e.g. not right outside the school gates so no one can get in or out), avoid stopping in no-parking zones and yellow lines, and be respectful to others while waiting. Ensuring everyone's cooperation at pickup helps us protect all our children from unnecessary risk, helps to keep the neighbours happy, and teachers stress free. Children should be wearing a safety belt and have their own car seat space. Thank you for your cooperation.



Heads up:

- <u>Volunteers:</u> We are always after volunteers to help out with Breakfast Club please. We have breakfast from 8-9am daily. If you are able to support us with the above, please contact Roseanne at the office. Thank you.
- Attendance & Illnesses: Our attendance is down to 85.5% we have a terrible tummy bug and coughs and colds going around the school. If your child isn't attending school, please tell us each day they are not in attendance and let us know why they are not attending school. The reason we ask this is for Health and Safety protocols. Ph 04 5269552, Text 0275269552 or through the Skool Loop App.
- <u>Change of clothes:</u> During these wet winter months, please make sure your child has a change of clothes in their bags, just in case they get wet while playing. Especially pants. Thank you.

Ngā mihi nui Karen Wellington, Tumuaki/Principal

Events Term T3, 2025

Week 9	School production – dress rehearsal performance Wednesday 10am.
8-12 Sept	Thursday 11 th Sept performances 3.30 & 5.30. We will feed children pizza between
'	performances. Pick up at 6.30pm.
Week 10	Bake Sale Wednesday 11am
15-19 Sept	Disco Thursday 2pm. Sensory Disco 12pm.
·	Last Day of term 19th September at 3pm
	Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori

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