KAIHERE SCHOOL
Good People, Working Hard

Monday 9 November 2026

Dear Parents

Well done and a big thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of Saturday's night's dinner. Great food and lots of friendly fun and banter.

Around $11,500 was raised - an amazing effort from *The Kaihere Collective,* raising money for *Project Play* – an upgrade to the school's playground.

Athletics

The annual school athletics event is happening this Friday starting at 11am and finishing around 1pm. Hopefully, the weather will co-operate – if not, we will postpone until the following Friday. We would really appreciate any help from parents or secondary school students to help manage events. Please let us know if you are able to help – many thanks. The day will finish with the much anticipated parent vs kids relay.

New Teacher Appointment

The Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Luke Gibson to Kaihere School. Luke has lived in Kaihere for several years and has recently been teaching at Tatuanui School. In addition to teaching, Luke will be involved in promoting and organising PE, sporting and outdoor events for students. Mr Gibson starts in February next year.

Congratulations to students who won classroom awards at Friday's assembly: Noah, Frank, Max, Alby and Kai.



Strategic Planning 2027 - 2028

All schools are required to refresh their strategic plan for the next two years. After reviewing our current plan, the Board is suggesting the following framework for our plan going forward:

Goal 1: Strengthen learner outcomes in literacy and numeracy

- Increased achievement in writing and mathematics.
- Accelerated progress for learners requiring additional support.
- Consistent implementation of school-wide teaching approaches.

Goal 2: Support Student Wellbeing and Character Development

- Attendance remains at or above national expectations.
- Students report a strong sense of wellbeing and belonging.
- Increased student ownership of learning and participation in leadership opportunities.

Goal 3: Continue to develop Partnerships with Community

- Partnerships with families and wider community contribute to learning opportunities for students
- Students demonstrate growing knowledge of local history, culture and identity.
- School facilities and infrastructure support long-term sustainability.

Have your say:

Have we got the priorities right ? Have we missed anything important ? What opportunities or suggestions do you see for Kaihere School in the future ? We welcome your feedback. Either to Ngaire (principal@kaihere.school.nz) or Catherine Robinson (Presiding member) kaiherecath@kaihere.school.nz

Coming up

Fri 13 Nov	Athletics Sports 11 am start
Fri 29 Nov	Teacher only day.
Wed 16 Dec	Last day of term