

## Kia Ora Koutou Katoa

Welcome back for term four, I hope you all had a good break with your children. The staff are all back and ready for this last term of 2020. This week we have welcomed 13 new children to the school, some starting school for the first time while others have transferred to Ōhope Beach. We welcome you all to the school and look forward to working with you and your children.

### **New Staff:**

We have two new support staff members with us this term. Tui Hanlen and Lisa Bearsley will be with us for the remainder of the year working in classes with staff and students. Jude Marsh will be on leave for most of this term for health reasons.

### **Future Pupils:**

This term we are planning and preparing for 2021. For this planning we really appreciate knowing who will be starting school throughout the year. If you have a pre-schooler at home, please come in and pick up an enrolment form. If you have neighbours with pre-schoolers, please encourage them to call in to see us.

### **Teacher Development Day:**

We have a Teacher Development Day planned for next Friday. School will be closed for the children on Friday 23rd October.

### **Assembly:**

This term we are returning to having our whole school assembly each Friday, in the hall, from 8.40am. A class will host assembly each week. This week Awatea will be hosting the assembly and we look forward to getting back into this weekly routine.

### **Calendar Fundraiser:**

The fundraising group have again organised student calendars which will be for sale this term. The children have all completed a piece of art which will be the feature of their calendar. The children will bring home an order form today which can be returned to their class teacher. Orders close on Friday 30th October.

### **Touch:**

Good luck to all the children who are taking part in the touch competition this term. Games got underway this week and I am sure the children will enjoy the competition. Thank you to the parents who are coaching and managing the teams. All the best for the season.

### **Important Dates:**

23 Oct – Teacher Only Day – No School  
26 Oct – Labour Day – No school  
4 Nov - Nga Peka Athletics  
12 & 13 Nov - Year 2 & 3 EOTC  
17 Nov – Interschool Athletics  
18 & 19 & 20 Nov - Year 4 camp  
18 Dec – Last day of school

### **Mural:**

Thank you to Whaea Becs and the students who have completed the mural that is now on display on the outside wall of the hall. Children from all classes worked on this project last term, and we are really pleased with the final display. Big thanks to Becs Lange for her expertise and passion when working with the children.



### **School Camps:**

This term we have two school camps planned. The Year 4 children will be attending camp at Ohiwa from Wednesday 18th to Friday 20th November. The Year 5 & 6 children will be attending camp at Totara Springs in Matamata from Wednesday 25th to Friday 27th November. Information for both camps has been sent home and we welcome payment at the office or via online banking.

The school bank account details are:

ASB 12 -3253 -0057930 - 00.

Please reference with your child's name and CAMP.

Ngā mihi

Cathryn Naera – Principal

### School Activities:

This term we have a range of morning tea and lunch time activities for the children to choose from. Our student dynamos are facilitating activities, each morning tea, for children to participate in. There are also lunchtime activities to choose from, these are: Performing Arts, Choir, Construction Club, Wheels Wednesday, Kapahaka, Online supervised activities, Bikes & Garden Club. A big thank you to the school parent support group who raised the funds for our construction club. We have a range of resources for the children which include Lego, Klikko and Mechano. The children made the most of these resources for the first time yesterday. Thank you so much for the work you put into raising the funds for these resources, for the children.



### Butterfly Show:

On Tuesday the children were treated to a well presented "Butterfly Show". The show involved two actors presenting information to the children related to the importance of butterflies and the role they play. The show was informative, humorous and engaging. The children were such a good audience and were thoroughly engaged in the performance.



**PRIDE –Respect.** This week we have been focusing on giving compliments - kind words with our school mates

## Term Dates 2021

Term 1	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> February – Auckland Anniversary Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> February – Waitangi Day Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April – Good Friday Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> April – Easter Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> April – Easter
Term 2	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May to Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June – Teacher Development Day Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June – Queen's Birthday
Term 3	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> July to Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	
Term 4	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October To Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> October – Labour Day

**Two Teacher Development Days are still to be confirmed**

## Port Ōhope Playcentre Mini Photoshoot Fundraiser



\$50

15 minute minishoot, 3 images supplied  
Port Ohope Playcentre 340 Harbour Rd  
9-3pm, Sunday 18 Oct or 1 Nov

To book: email [portohope@playcentre.org.nz](mailto:portohope@playcentre.org.nz)



**PHONE IN PUPIL ABSENCES** - If for some reason your children are going to be absent from school, please telephone the school BEFORE 9.30am. Please contact the office even if you have informed the teacher. As the school phone is busy during that first hour, we have a system in place where you can leave a message and details of the absence without having to talk to Jenny. • Dial 312 4617 – When it answers with a prerecorded message, dial 1 to be put straight through to the answer phone. • Leave the details of the absence (Child's name, room name & reason for absence i.e. sickness, bereavement etc.). Alternatively, txt to 027 750 3515.

**HATS AND SUNSCREEN** - Reminder about school hats and that Term 4 is one of our two compulsory hat wearing terms. All children must wear a hat when outside. The hat can be any colour bucket style hat (without a string) No Caps.

### WHAKATANE INTERMEDIATE DATES:

Next term the year six students will begin their transition process to enrol at Whakatane Intermediate. The Intermediate have sent us the following timeline:

Week 1 Friday 16th October Prospectus' delivered to contributing schools.

Week 2 Contributing schools to hand our Prospectus & Open evening notice to Year 6 students.

Week 3 Tuesday 27th October – Open evening beginning at 6.30pm for all schools

Wednesday 28th October – Open day for Year 6's from Ōhope Beach and Allendale Schools

Week 3 – 5 Enrolment interviews begin

Week 5 2021 Class Allocation begins