

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa

Rāpare 12 Here-turi-kōkā ~Thursday 12th August 2021

This week we welcome Jessica and Hannah to our Manuka learning space. We wish you all the very best with your schooling at Ōhope Beach School.

DISCO:

Thank you all so much for your support of the Disco last week. Big thank you to the team who put it all together to ensure it was a successful evening for the children. Thank you to the staff for organising the music and for helping during the evening. The children really enjoy these events, and it was great to see them dressed up for the theme.

Leadership Development:

This week our “Pitopito Korero” presenters have been Agnes and Riley from Ngā Huiarau. The girls have been very keen and have introduced a new karakia to the school. It is great to hear the confidence in their speaking as the week progresses. The whakatauki which they have introduced this week is, “**He aroha whakatō, he aroha puta mai**” - If kindness is sown, then kindness you shall receive. We are very proud of the children for taking up this opportunity and for speaking with clarity and confidence.



Pride Time:

The children continue to model our PRIDE values at school and enjoy the opportunity to celebrate their achievements. This week the group were able to enjoy pikelets in the sunshine before the lunch break. Lots of smiles and chatter as they interacted together.



Te Tiwai – Learning Through Play:

This week Te Tiwai has started their learning through play format for term three. Following the professional development work, we have undertaken this year, we have created specific development focus areas which the children engage in. The children are in their house groups for these activities with staff members at each activity. The groups will rotate through a new space each week so that they have the opportunity to take part in a range of experiences.

- The Manuka Space: Extending Oral Language and building a solid foundation of Literacy and Numeracy
- Kowhai Space: Developing Creativity
- Shed/Music Room: Promoting Positive Interactions
- Outdoor Learning Space/Playground/Hall: Improving Physical Development





Art Experience:

Last Friday a group of children took part in an art extension workshop with artist Raewyn Harris.

The children worked through a design process first and then created their art pieces using sharpies and pastel blending. The completed works are on display in the office and add a splash of colour and creativity to the space. Thank you to Emma Gibson for organising this experience for the children and for sharing her mother with us.



Term Three Clubs:

This term the staff are offering a range of clubs and activities at morning tea and lunchtime for the children. These include: the library with senior student librarians, bikes, choir, kapa haka, science club, games and cards club, computer club, construction club, enviro group, learning through play group, music group, dance group, dynamos run games for the children and of course wheels Wednesday. It is so good to see a range of activities for the children to take part in.

EBOP 7's:

Today our children are taking part in the EBOP 7's which include netball, rugby and football (soccer). Thank you to the staff and parents who are coaching, supporting, and transporting the children today. This is an excellent opportunity for the children to model their Pride values and to participate with good sportsmanship.

Assembly:

Last week Te Tiwai - Kowhai hosted the assembly. The presenters spoke very clearly and with confidence which was great to see from our younger children. The young student who was responsible for the computer work also carried out this task efficiently. The children shared their painted rocks which featured flags from various countries who were competing at the Olympic games. This week Ngā Huiarau will host the assembly.

Covid-19:

With the current communications around the delta variant of Covid 19 we want to review our student's ability to connect to learning if we were to go into Lockdown 4 again. Last year we surveyed the school community about access to a device, we now want to update this information as we have many new students and families associated with the school. We will send a survey home, via email, which we would appreciate you completing. Please ensure you have the school app loaded on your phone and you have access to seesaw for your child's class. See the information within the newsletter about accessing the school app.

Ngā mihi

Cathryn Naera - Principal

Future Board Meetings:

TERM 3: 14th September

TERM 4: 2nd November & 30th November

Term Three Up Coming Events:

- Monday 30th August – Science Roadshow for Ngā Huiarau
- Tuesday 31st August – Class and Individual Photos
- Tuesday 14th August – BoT Meeting 5.30pm
- Wednesday 15th September – Winter Sports for Year 5 & 6
- Friday 17th September – Winter Sports for Year 3 & 4
- Sunday 26th September – Daylight Savings Starts
- Week of the 27th September – Production week
- Friday 1st October – Term three ends



School App – Please ensure you have the school App (see photo).

When we have emergency situations (e.g. the road closure after the accident on the hill) urgent information will be sent via this app to keep you informed as the situation changes. The school newsletter and sports notices also appear on this App

