



Newsletter - Thursday 3rd March 2022

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa

This week we have had a very busy time with different swimming sports events. We still have Kahikatea syndicate to go tomorrow. The weather wasn't the warmest this week but we made the best of the situation and had the chance for our students to compete and support the house competitions. The support the students are showing towards each other and the perseverance in the pool has really impressed me.

Covid:

A few days ago we had our first cases of covid from our school community. This is something that we have been almost holding our breath for and I want to thank you all for your continued support during this time. There will no doubt be other cases that come up as we continue through the term and we will continue to let you know if a case is connected to your child's class. This will be done via seesaw and/or email. There are times when emails from school addresses go to Spam folders so please check these from time to time if you feel like you are missing information.

If you have any concerns about covid, please do get in touch and we will do our best to support you. I know that the rate of change throughout this last month has meant constant changes to the way in which we consider contacts and close contacts and it has been challenging to keep up with what the current "rules" are.

Staff news:

We welcomed our new office administrator Melane Johnson this week. I'm sure you will join me in welcoming Melane (said Melanie) to our team. I also take this opportunity to thank Jeanette McMenamin for her hard work and energy in the office. She has been a wonderful support to both students and staff.

Learning Conferences:

Our learning conferences are coming up on Wednesday 16th March and Thursday 17th March. We will be finishing at 12:30 pm on both days.

We are opening the booking system up for the Learning conferences on Friday afternoon and the link is below. All of the conferences will be held via zoom rather than face to face. With the impact of Omicron starting to affect our school we believe that moving to the zoom platform will safeguard the event. It means if a teacher is isolating they can zoom from home and if a family is isolating they can still participate in the conferences.

The conferences are 15 minutes but we have built-in a 5-minute buffer between each conference to allow movement between sessions.

“DREAMS COME IN A SIZE TOO BIG, SO THAT YOU CAN GROW INTO THEM!”

If you have any problems making a booking, please contact the office and we can make the booking for you. A zoom link will be sent out to you by the teacher to the email address you use on the booking system. <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/dnszj>

Teacher Only Day:

The School will be closed on Friday 1st April for a Teacher's only day.



*Ngā Mihi Nui (warmest regards)
Mrs Paula Weston - Principal*



Rooms 15 and 16:

Last Monday our Rooms 15 and 16 students were able to move out of the hall and into their recently renovated classrooms. As you are all aware these have been a while coming and have been met by some fantastic feedback from the students.

Thank you to Pastor Harry for blessing these classes prior to the move.

Kawaka Swimming Sports:

On Tuesday the Kawaka Syndicate enjoyed a couple of hours of fun down at the Town pool for the swimming sports. Times were taken and points awarded to students' houses. It was great to see them out enjoying the weather and cheering on their house. Big thanks to our Sport House Captains who helped run the event.

Kauri will have their event on Thursday this week with Kahikatea on Friday.





No Uniform Day - Thursday 10th March

To help the year 8 students fundraise towards their end of year hoodies we are holding a no uniform day on Thursday 10th March.
Please bring along a gold coin donation.

Dates For Your Diary

March
10th
15th

No Uniform Day - gold coin donation (towards the leavers hoodies)
Year 7 Immunisations

16th/17th

1/2 day on both these days for Learning conferences with school finishing at 12.30pm

22nd
23rd

Rooms 6 & 7 EOTC - Mt Bruce
Room 8, 13 & 14 Year 4's EOTC - Mt Bruce

April
1st

Teacher Only Day

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Missing Scooter

Last weekend one of our students lost their scooter from school.
If anyone knows anything about it please contact the school.
It's gold and looks something like this.

