

e Kura o Wairau



### Te Rangimarie Marae

Our Kowhai Team had an amazing learning opportunity at Te Rangimarie Marae on Tuesday that provided them with an authentic experience, contributing to their inquiry learning this term (about being Kaitiaki of Cultures and the Environment). Ngā mihi nui to all whānau who supported us at the marae and a special thank you to a whānau who were incredibly generous, making the journey there and back from the marae more exciting and easier.

# Tangaroa Awards

Room 9 - Adonai, Ariana, Irihapeti, Ka'lei, Louie, Neha, Nevaeh & Kahurangi

Room 11 - Esaias, Sacred & Rushmin

Room 14 - Johnny-Mac, Milemoti, Te Riuu, Renezmay, Màkohakoha, Shaelah-Raen,

Manaia

## Tāne Mahuta Awards

Room 9 - Cayden, Esther, Jaelyn, Kehurangi, Liam, Lukas & Mia-Bella, Richie, Talafou & Vincent

Room 11 - Sophia, Te Rangimarie, Sokiata, Ceeziah & Aubrey

Room 14 - Waipuna

### Assembly Awards

Wairautanga Awards

Classroom - Charles R11, Renezmay R14, Kahurangi R9, Liam R9 & Nevaeh R6

Playground - Elijah R5, Te Waiohua R14,

Nevaeh R6, Naia R12 & Larz R5

Top Cat Class

Room 6 - mahi tika ana Lunch with Mrs Johnson

Esaias & Laicey R11

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## Maths Challenge Winners

Well done to Joshua R8, Sisa R8, Oriwia R6, Arabella R6, Koru R6 & Yovela R7



Pou Breanna - for teaching other teachers of Kahui Ako across the Manawatu about the Six Taniwha of Rangitane.

Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Bula Vinaka, Kia ora Whanau & Friends of Te Kura o Wairau

#### **Teacher Only Days - Term 4**

Structured Literacy Teacher Only Day on Tuesday 14th October - Week 2 of Term 4

Mathematics & Statistics Teacher Only Day on Friday 24th October - Week 3 of Term 4.

#### **Our Board of Trustees**

I would like to officially welcome our newly elected BoT at Te Kura o Wairau. Congratulations to Tise Fauolo, Dennis Argyle, Sarah Garcia, Daina Cherry, Julie Lawrence, and Amy Petre. Our new BoT were elected by our community. The first meeting they will officially come together for will be in Term 4.

#### Whole School Assembly

Last week Room 11 led our whole school assembly. They proudly sat on stage and on the chairs bravely speaking into the microphone when it was their turn. They sang a beautiful waiata that Whaea Eva said they all "fell in love with" called 'Guardians of Papatuānuku'. This waiata celebrated and highlighted the importance of Papatuānuku and why it is very important to look after her and be a kaitiaki of our taiao/environment. We got to celebrate lots and lots of rewards and acknowledgements of our students' mahi, and achievements.





#### ParentTeacher Interviews

Ngā mihi nui for attending your children's interviews and learning about their progress in their reading, writing and mathematics. We had 105 families come and celebrate their children's successes and add more value to their learning journey. I commend you all for this commitment to your children's learning. This really boosts confidence and unites us even more as a school whānau.

#### Daffodil Day

We arrived in various shades of yellow to acknowledge and support the cancer society for 'Daffodil Day'. Our kura raised \$129.35 which was sent through to the society on our behalf. Thank you everyone for this.

#### **Attendance Matters**

We will be celebrating term threes attendance early in term 4 where selected students will be invited to go on a day trip exploring the esplanade and playing in the surroundings. This is being supported by Sport Manawatu during Play week which runs from Monday 20th October-26th October.

# Koroneihana - Māori Queen 'Te Arikinui Ngā Wai Hono i te Po'

This month our country and many delegates from across the moana acknowledged our Māori King 'Tūheitia' who passed away a year ago, and also celebrated the first public address held at Tūrangawaewae Marae in Ngāruawāhia from our Māori Queen 'Te Arikinui Ngā Wai i te Pou'.



#### Te reo Māori Language Week

During this week we have been immersed in te reo Māori me ona tikanga as it is Te Wiki o te Reo Māori. The focus this year has been 'Ake Ake Ake - A Forever Language', marking the 50th anniversary of the first Māori Language Week. We held our flag raising ceremony on Monday morning to begin and acknowledge this week, and from here our kaiako and tamariki have been embracing, celebrating and learning more knowledge about te reo Māori me ona tikanga. It was lovely to see students leading during this ceremony using te reo Māori, and accompanying the waiata that we were singing.









Malachi

Solomon

Te Rangimarie

Te Riuu

#### Kahikatea Team

Our Kahikatea Team planned te reo Māori challenges and activities too while they were at camp. It was such a beautiful way to end our term 3 learning, encouraging all to speak and celebrate te reo Māori as one of our official languages that deepens the connection to our history and identity.

#### Kahikatea Year 5 & 6 Camp - Forest lakes

Over the past 3 days our Kahikatea senior students have been at Forest Lakes camp near Otaki. They have been horse riding, kayaking, abseiling, mud sliding,and eating and playing within the forest lakes property learning new skills, challenging themselves and creating stronger friendships with one another (look at Eljae and Lucas on the gladiator equipment below having a blast). We thought the weather was going to be terrible, and yes there was rain but it was still warm and all activities went ahead. Our tamariki even went swimming, totally enjoyed the mudslide and said it was hot when out on the horses. Everyone had lots of fun. I thank everyone who has contributed to this camp being as successful as it was and am very proud of this team of people who made it possible.





#### Mrs Day & Whaea Hope (Room 6)

It is Mrs Day's last day teaching in Room 6 because she is going on maternity leave. We wish Mrs Day all the best and can't wait to see her new son when he is born. Thank you Mrs Day for the mahi you have done this year and for caring about our students' learning and their lives. Whaea Hope will be taking over Room 6 in term 4. We welcome you back to our staff Whaea Hope as one of our team's teachers.

#### **Happy Holidays**

I hope everyone has a lovely holiday break. I certainly know my staff will after having a very busy term. Ngā mihi nui for all of your support. I hope you get to spend time with your whānau and friends over this time. Travel safe if you do leave home.

Nga mihi nui Teena Johnson Tumuaki/Principal











# Sports News

Touch & Softball/Tee ball notices have gone out. Please return them to school with appropriate fees as soon as possible.

Softball/Tee ball fees are \$10.00 - Touch is \$35.00

#### **Athletics Term 4**

All staff participated in the run, jump throw professional development that was delivered by Vanessa Hodge from NZ Athletics.

Great to see they all engaged and enthusiastic about teaching athletics in Term 4.







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# Te Kura o Wairau Board of Trustee Elections Declaration of Parent Representative Election Results

Parent Representatives

Fauolo, Tise Saliga

Cherry, Daina

Argyle, Dennis

Lawrence, Julie

Garcia, Sarah

Deridder, Brian

Votes

10

6

4 Tied

The final position was determined by lot, and the successful candidate was Sarah Garcia.

INVALID VOTES

I therefore declare the following duly elected: Tise Fauolo, Daina Cherry, Dennis Argyle, Julie Lawrence, Sarah Garcia.

Schooled Ltd Returning Officer

# Staff Election Results Declaration (no voting election required)

At the close of nominations, as there was only one valid nomination received, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

#### **Amy Petre**

Suzanne Irvine Returning Officer



### **Vomiting Bugs**

Please remember if your child is away from school due to vomiting, they should not return to school until 48 hours after vomiting has ceased.

#### **Dental Treatment**

The Mobile Dental Clinic is visiting our school at present. You can call them on 0274440085. Or you can contact the Dental Unit after hours at The Palms in Ferguson Street - Phone 3547737 or 0800 825583.

# School Uniform @ Academy Apparel

A reminder that Academy Apparel in Broadway Ave stock our school uniform, so if we don't have what you require in stock at school you have the option to purchase it there. You can also shop online through their website - & "Click & Collect". Our school community can also go to them for their Winz purchases.

#### LOST PROPERTY!

Please be sure to come and have a look through the lost property for any lost items on a regular basis. Items are displayed outside Room 4 at present.

### School Facebook page

Keep in touch with the Kowhai, Rata, and Kahikatea teams, on their facebook pages. Each team has their own page and regularly puts photos and exciting news of what is happening within their teams and around the school.

Search for them:

Te Kura o Wairau Kowhai Team,
Te Kura o Wairau Rata Team,
Te Kura o Wairau Kahikatea Team.

Download the
School App for upto-date notices,
and to let us know
if your child/ren
will be absent from
school.



PLEASE remember to ring us if your child is going to be away from school for ANY reason.

Contact us on 0800 45 44 44 or 3543274 or download the school app (from School Apps or scan the QR code below) and leave a message.

If you do not inform us when your child/children are away from school, they will be marked as TRUANT.

If you have a change of address or your phone number changes, PLEASE let the office know.



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