Te Kura O Waima

Tena koutou nga matua nga whaea me nga whanau katoa,

Our sincere condolences go out to Whaea Jo on the unexpected passing of her mum. Whaea Jo will be out this week. Mrs C will be taking the junior class.

Thank you to Aunty Wye who has been coming in every week to take our students for Kapa Haka practise. As of last week Aunty Wye will come in every Tuesday and Thursday. Final practise before the performance will be on Thursday 26th, November. You are all welcome to come in and watch practise at any time.

Our Calendar for term 1 2020 is filling up very quickly. Throughout the year as part of our senior students Careers in Education programme, we will be inviting people from our community and wider community, in to speak to our students about their chosen career path and journey to date. Please phone our school office if you would like to come in and speak to our students about your career or if you know someone locally who may be willing to do so.

UP & COMING EVENTS					
Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th November	Tuia Matauranga Te Taitokerau Education Programme - Kaikohe				
Friday, 27th November	Cultural Festival (Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Hokianga)				
Wednesday, 2nd December	Prize giving				
Friday, 4th December	Term 4 ends				
Tuesday, 2nd February 2021	Term 1 begins - 2021				
Nights of 17th - 18th February 2021	School Camp - Coopers Beach 18th Feb - Surf School - teaching students to surf!!				
Tuesday 2nd March	Senior class to visit Waitangi Treaty Grounds (to compliment Treaty of Waitangi study)				
Tuesday 23rd March	All students to Opononi - Manea				
12th March 2021	Teacher only day. Staff to meet with TeArahura - Community of learning.				

Please keep the 17th and 18th February free for our Whanau School Camp at Coopers Beach. This is during Week 3 of Term 1 so it will creep up on us very quickly. We have lots of fun activities planned already!

I have just had confirmation from Far North Pools that they will be coming in mid January to repair the cracks in our pool. This is great news as it will allow time for Aunty Gale to treat the water and have it up and running for week 1 term 1.

The Government is currently introducing a free, healthy, daily school lunch in some schools for all students. We are really excited to let you know that our school will be joining the free lunch programme from Term 1 2021. The lunches will be available for all our students. Providing lunch to every child means we do not need to single-out those who need it more than others. However, lunches are not compulsory, and you can continue to provide your child's own lunch if you wish. Right now, we are working with the Ministry of Education on the best way to meet our school's needs. The programme will run until the end of 2021 and will be evaluated whilst it is running. This will include feedback from schools, students and suppliers about what the lunches are like, how they are delivered, and if they have an impact on students' learning and achievement. This information will help to decide whether to continue beyond 2021, and what an ongoing programme might look like.

Last week I sent out permission slips for our Whanau School Camp. We offer this camp to Whanau and students every second year. To date we have had very few permission slips returned. Although it may seem a long way off, it is really important that I get these permission slips back within the next week so that I can continue with the organisation and confirming our booking. This is a fun camp for our students and involves, surf school, kayaking, waterslide, confidence course, beach activities etc. I am sending this permission slip out again today. Please complete and return as soon as possible.

Kaikohe Bus company is currently enforcing conditions set by the Ministry of Education. For many years they have been providing a free service. The Ministry of Education has changed the rules regarding students travelling out of zone. The rules regarding students out of zone are as follows. The Ministry of Education will only provide transport assistance to your nearest school. If a student chooses to attend another school they must make their own way to that school or they may apply to the operator in writing to seek permission to travel. If approved then the bus operator must charge a fare. The fare will be \$3.00 per ride, per child or \$25.00 for a ten-trip ticket. A ten- trip ticket lasts 5 days. That is one ride Am and one ride Pm x 5 days = 10 trips. This new rule was enforced at Tautoro School at the beginning of Term 4 2020 and I have been informed by the Kaikohe bus company that this will take effect with surrounding schools Term 1 2021.

Please check your children for head lice. We have had a couple of cases over the past week. Should you require shampoo to treat head lice then please phone the office and we will send some home.

Thank you so much to Beaumyn, Sequoia and Kaylis, from TKKM o Kaikohe, for coming out to our Kura on Friday to teach our students the Waiata and Haka.



Tupu Teina:

Congratulations to Maria for getting all of her spelling words correct for two weeks in a row. Congratulations to Te Amorangi for getting all of last week's spelling words correct. We have been learning to use similes in our writing to build a picture in the reader's mind.

I am sadness. I am blue like the rain. I am freezing like ice. I am lonely and salty. I am sitting alone. I am sadness. By Te Amorangi I am happy. I am yellow like the sun. I am shiny like gold. I am smiley and jiggly. I am happy like my mum. By Tane

I am yellow like a star. As happy as a bird singing. Calm like a tree. Red like fire. By Halo

We have also been doing lots of shared reading and learning lots about different insects.

Bees

How are bees special? Bees have long hairs on their back legs which work like baskets. They put pollen from flowers into the baskets. Their legs look like yellow balloons.

By Maria

Flies

What do flies look like? Flies have six legs. They have no mouth or teeth. They eat through a long tube at the front of their head.

By Tapairu

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Stick Insect

A stick insect has six legs, an antennae and abdomen too. A stick insect lives in trees and on plants. In New Zealand there are many different types of stick insects.

Where do mosquitoes come from? They live all around the world. Where do mosquitoes die? They

By Cecelia

By Taylor

Beetles

Some beetles and other insects eat ants. Workers are always on the look out for enemies.

By Chaise

Tupu Tuakana:

Tupu Tuakana this week begin a teaching unit on how to write a recount with 'when, who, where, and why' accounted for in their recall of a past event. Well done to all the class who have crafted fantastic poems. Below is Tamati's shark poem.

Puawai:

Welcome to week 5, we are over halfway through the term. Please remind your child/ren that they still need to be using their manners throughout the day. Please find below a selection of poetic devices the students have created to assist in their understanding of writing for an audience.

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Mosquitoes

die in the trees.

Marama

Personification: Staple The staple was freestyling across the deck.

Hyperbole:

I'm so tired I could sleep for a whole year. I was laughing so hard that I almost died.

Hinerangi

Personification Lightning : Lightning danced across the sky.

Waiariki

Onomatopoeia The crazy lady said BOO!

Hyperbole I'm so hungry I could eat a block of papers.

Moana

The charger was doing a swimming motion into my phone.

Hyperbole I'm so hot I could swim in the Antarctic.

Samara

The car complained as the keys were roughly turned in it's ignition.

Onomatopoeia:

Personification

Personification

On my first morning on the farm, I was awoken suddenly by the cock-a-doodle-do of the resident rooster.

Tyler

Imagery

When you get there you hear a current and splashing, you dive in and feel the smooth current zooming around your body, Then you come up, you bring your hands up to your face with water in your hands, Then you suddenly make gaps in your fingers, water is so smooth as if it was sand falling through the gaps of your fingers.

Charlamaine

"Shhh" no talking in the library 🧧

Hyperbole: That was so "Hot" my ears were smoking

Mauri

Imagery

Onomatopoeia:

When I went to the hole, all I saw was pure deepness, The water was pure and fresh, blessed with transparency, to see how deep it will be, as you see it, you can already feel how cold it will be, but it doesn't matter how cold it will be. it will be nice anyway,

as you're going there you can hear the flow,

knowing it will be currenty.

Personification

The ancient "Totara Tree" frightened us by saying we could have a swim in its purifying swimming hole. It said "YOU MAY SWIM IN MY SWIMMING HOLE".

PB4L

The focus for this week is Avoiding Conflict

Skill/Rule

We show aroha when we treat others with respect and dignity.

Learning Focus

Our focus is to learn:

- 1. To use peaceful solutions to conflict
- 2. To speak respectfully to others
- 3. To identify characteristics of aggressive, passive, and assertive communication styles
- 4. Effective communication.

Teaching Examples/Expectations

When showing WAIMA we:

• We support and care for self, others, and the environment

*The	following items will be		NG/LUNCH		ers to be placed at the	e office	
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Jenny Colebrook Principal

