



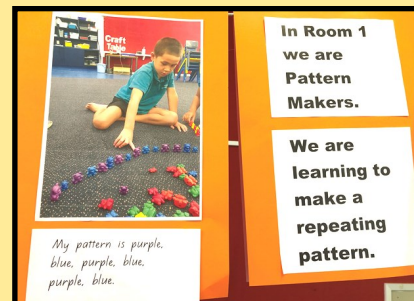
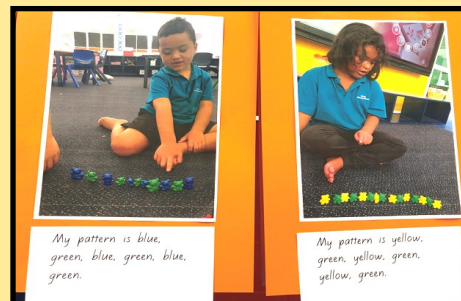
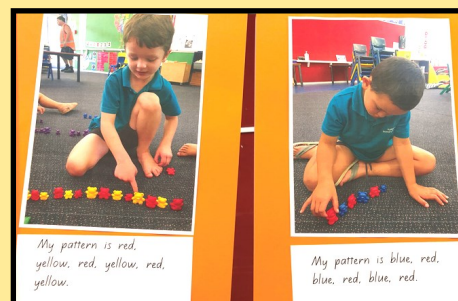
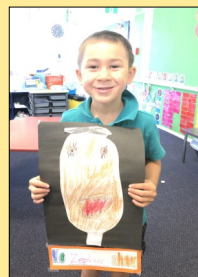
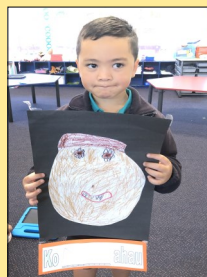
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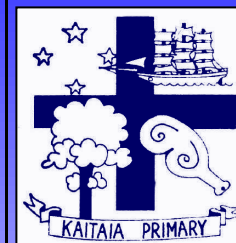
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JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS FROM ROOM 1:

We have had a wonderful start to the year reconnecting with old friends and making lots of new ones. Swimming has been a highlight each day and our skills are improving along the way. We have enjoyed creating self portraits, making patterns and learning about myth and legends.



In Room 1 we are Pattern Makers.
We are learning to make a repeating pattern.



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OUR VISION

"Inspired and resourceful learners for life."
"Kia whakaara kia manawanui mo tona ao"

Thursday 24th February, 2022 (Term 1, Week 4)

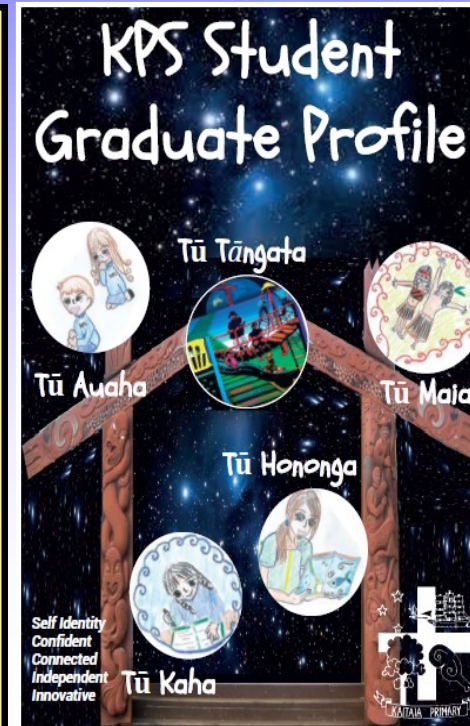
Kia ora koutou!

We are now well into our first term of learning at school for this year. It's been great to see almost everyone arrive back to school in the first few weeks. Our swimming lessons are in full-flight at the moment too.

Study Centre for Y3-6 students starts next week on Monday 28th February and will be open every Monday, Tuesday and Friday. Study Centre will be based in Room 10 for 2022. Teachers in charge of Study Centre are Mr M, Mrs T (R9) and Matua Corey. Please see the office staff if you would like to enrol your child at Study Centre this year.

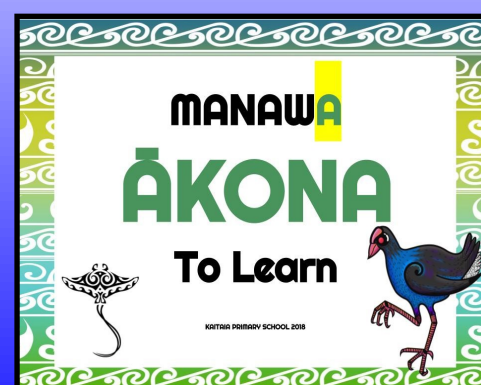
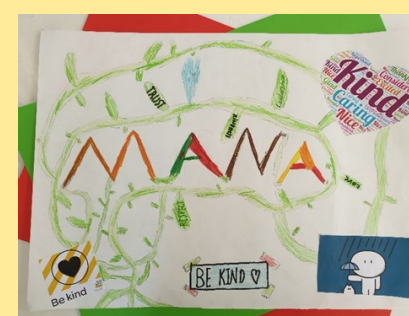
Community Survey 2022—this is attached to the newsletter today. Please take time to complete it and send it back into the school office with your child. The survey provides our Board of Trustees and Staff with the latest perspectives our whanau have of our school. It gives whanau an opportunity to highlight strengths and weaknesses of our school and to provide feedback about what could make things even better. You can complete your survey anonymously if you like or put your child's/children's name/s on it and they will go into the draw for a prize from me. Thank you for your support with this important task.

Nga mihi
Mr M



SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS FROM ROOM 9:

As part of our inquiry and focus with Whakawhanaungatanga room 9 have been sharing our passions and ambitions as well as developing an awareness of how different relationships in our lives are vital and so important to us. In groups we looked at what Mana meant and decided what attributes people with Mana had. This was one of our review activities which was linked to the Mana Potential Programme.





Community Notices

Year 4-6 students wearing masks at school in 2022

Kia ora whanau,

It's been a great first few weeks back at school, wonderful to see smiling faces and tamariki keen to catch up with their friends and to get back into their learning. There are a few changes in schools all across our country this year with one of the biggest being that our students from Y4 and up need to wear a face mask on the school bus and when they are in class. Having a school with 5 composite Y3/4 classrooms, you can understand that this change was going to be difficult to explain to our kids. It's hard for many of them to understand why half the class has to wear a mask and half doesn't. They're all together each day after all.

To help our Y4 tamariki get used to the new mask wearing rule, I thought it would help if the Y3 students in their classroom did so too. I knew this decision was not going to suit everyone's point of view, so I was also willing to be flexible and listen to parent requests when they came in. Of course, I know that our Y3 tamariki don't have to wear the masks at school, it was always about showing awhi (support) to their Y4 classmates.

In our school values "MANAWA" the "N" stands for Ngawari (Kindness and Understanding). The initial decision I made was based around that school value. I guess whanau, this is me asking for a bit of Ngawari for the first decision I made about wearing masks at school. In return, I need to show everyone else Ngawari too so I submit the following:

If your child is in Y3 and you would prefer they don't wear a mask in class, please just let your child's teacher know that this is the case. No mask-wearing exemption is required. Your Y3 child is already exempt from the rule. If however, you are okay for your child to continue to show Ngawari and Awhi (support) for their Y4 classmates, then that can also continue to happen.

If your child is in Y4, Y5 or Y6 and you don't want them to wear a mask in class, then you need to apply for a mask exemption through the Ministry of Health and provide the school with an exemption certificate. We are happy to accept those because they are issued if a child's health would be endangered by wearing a face mask over long periods of time. We will keep a register of who has mask-exemption at our school.

Quite a lot of info there whanau. I hope it makes sense to you. As you can imagine, it has been a bit confusing at times trying to get all these new rules sorted and manageable on a day to day basis covering all the different learning settings and situations we have at school. Please be patient as we try to do the best for your tamariki.

As always whanau, we absolutely value your support. It really does mean a lot to us at Kaitaia Primary School.

Nga mihi
Mr M

Mana Whenua

Effective teachers connect to and value the place where we live.

Mana Tāngata

Effective teachers value every child's whakapapa and their aspirations.

Mana Ūkaipō

Effective teachers connect to, and value the people of our community.

School Notice



Bus Reminders

Parents must write a note or let the office know before 2 pm if there is a change to the normal routine for their child/ children if they travel on the bus. Each child is marked off on a roll in the Junior School and in the Senior school each afternoon so it is important that we know if they are being picked up or are going home another way.

Bus Bay

Our school bus bay needs to be kept clear for our buses between 8.15 and 9am and from 2.30 - 3.15pm. We have over 250 children getting on and off buses during these times. It is crucial that our bus drivers vision is not blocked by other cars. Please help with this issue parents before we have a terrible accident!

Mr M

Absenteeism

Our KPS school website has a online forms tab to report absences and a update contact details tab. Alternatively parents can txt absences to the office mobile 02108422405. Parents can also still call the school phone number and leave a absentee message. Parents please update your contact details if details have changed.

Many Thanks
Office Staff

Calendar of Upcoming Events

WHEN	WHAT
Every Friday 9.00am—10.30am	We will have mini Assemblies for Junior, Middle and Senior School every Friday between 9 am and 10.30am. Unfortunately, these assemblies are closed to the wider public.
Banking 8.30a.m.	Every Friday – ASB only. Please contact the school office if your child would like to start school banking. It is a great way to teach them to save.
25 February	Junior/Middle/Senior assemblies from 9am—10.30am
28 Feb, 1 March and 3 March	Y5/6 swimming @ the town pools from 12.50pm—2.20pm
4 March	Junior/Middle/Senior assemblies from 9am—10.30am
7 and 8 March	Y5/6 swimming @ the town pools from 12.50pm—2.20pm
10 March	Newsletter due home today
11 March	Junior/Middle/Senior assemblies from 9-10.30am
11 March	Y3-6 Swimming Sports @ Town Pools

Have a safe and happy holiday break everybody!
From the children, staff and BOT of Kaitaia Primary School.

Mana Whānau

Effective teachers make children's knowledge and experiences integral to their teaching decisions.

Mana Tū

Effective teachers are confident resilient role models and self motivated learners.

