

Kāitaia Primary School

Kia Ngawari (Be Kind)

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 4th September 2025 Term 3 Week 8





Kia ora koutou!

What a busy few weeks we have had here at Kaitaia Primary School. Whānau Day last Tuesday was awesome! It was great to see our tamariki learning side by side with their whānau, all having fun. A huge thank you to our kaiako and kaimahi for all the extra work they did to make the day a success. Our staff have put some fantastic presentations from Whānau Day on our school facebook page.

Our staff shared a day of learning last Friday on the new Mathematics curriculum. It was a very worthwhile day and outlined the priorities for learning our government has in this subject area. We have another Teacher Only Day for Mathematics coming up in Term 4 on Friday 17th October. Our school will be closed for instruction on that day so please keep your tamariki at home.

Finally, thanks to all our whānau who joined us on the sidelines this year for our winter sports. Your support was always positive and meant a lot to the players and coaching staff.

Nga mihi Mr Morrissey (Mr M) Principal



Reminders

- Please check we have your up-to-date contact details at the office, along with emergency contact/s, as we have had a few incidents with no way of contacting home.
- If your child's end of day transport routine is going to change, please let the OFFICE STAFF know before 2pm. Email: kaitaiaps@xtra.co.nz Office Phone: 09 408-0228, Office cell phone: 02108422405
- Children being picked up early also need to be signed out through the office please.
- There are plenty of bugs going around at the moment! If your children are sick/unwell, please keep them home from school.

Upcoming Events

- Friday 19th September Last day of Term 3
- Monday 6th October First day of Term 4
- Friday 17th October Teacher Only Day;
 School Closed for Students

<u>Daffodil Day Fundraiser</u>

Our dress in yellow day raised \$183.70 which we have donated to the Cancer Society of Northland. Thank you to everyone for your donations and such a fun day!

Spotted at School







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HIGHLIGHTS FROM...











Room 8

Room 8 has been exploring gymnastics. We've had so much fun with our weekly obstacle courses, practicing balance, rotation and safe landings. Each week everyone is getting so much more confident and comfortable trying new things.

We've been doing lots of work on our simple machine topic, exploring how ramps, pulleys, and levers are used in our everyday lives. We're also creating 3D art work to help us learn our addresses and stay safe.

Room 11

Room 11 has been busy getting our garden ready for a fresh new look. We've been hard at work pulling out all the old plants and weeds to prepare the space for an exciting new rock garden. It was a real team effort, and we couldn't have done it without the help of our awesome whanau. During Whanau Day, we had a blast painting rocks together with our families.

Each rock is unique and special, just like our tamariki. We can't wait to see how our garden will transform with all these beautiful additions!













Room 12

Mauri ora koutou,

Room 12 has had a busy and rewarding term! Our focus has been on *Environmental Sustainability*, and the tamariki have been finding fun and creative ways to recycle, re-use, and repurpose everyday items.

Together, we have built a classroom garden using old pallets and tyres, giving them a colourful new life with a splash of paint. Each student has also designed their own minigreenhouse from recycled water bottles. Once the seedlings are big and strong, we'll transplant them into our garden beds to continue growing.

Our project is guided by our class catchphrase: **"Seed to Feed"**— a reminder of the journey from planting to harvesting, and the importance of caring for our environment along the way.

Room 22

Ruma 22 has been very busy this term! We have completed our Technology unit, where the children designed and created their own board games. The Year 3 students focused on games around Aotearoa, while our Year 4 students, Ilaitia and Manaaki, created games based on places around the world.

Our class also had great success in the school cross country:
6-year-olds: Tumai came 1st and Maori came 3rd.
7-year-olds: Hemi came 1st, Tumai 2nd, and Ilaitia 3rd.
8-year-olds: Ataahua came 1st, Angel 2nd, and Dallas & Lilly 3rd.
Ka rawe, tamariki mā – what an awesome effort!

We are all looking forward to starting gymnastics this week, which will give us another chance to be active and develop new skills. We are also very lucky to have **Matua Hami** as our kaiāwhina, supporting us in our classroom. His help is greatly appreciated.