



Kaitaia Primary School

Kia Ngawari (Be Kind)

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 5th March 2026 Term 1 Week 6



Kia ora koutou!

Wow! We are already past the halfway mark in this term. Swimming lessons are going well. Our initial assessments are all done and classroom programmes are pretty much up to full speed.

We've also been going pretty well with our school attendance percentages. So far this term we have had 4 days where we have had 90% or more of our students present at school. This is a great start to the year! Keep it up whānau!

We've got a lot going on at school and it is very exciting. The Life Education Trust Truck is here for a few weeks and our tamariki are learning about a wide range of health related topics. The mobile dental unit is still here at our school taking care of our tamariki's dental needs too. We have Matua Hone (from Te Rarawa) here supporting classes at swimming every Tuesday. He will also be part of our Whānau Day coming up later this term.

Nga mihi
Mr Morrissey (Mr M)
Principal

Wk 5 BONUS
MANAWA Winners -
Amazing
presentation at
Assembly by
Manaaki and Hemi.



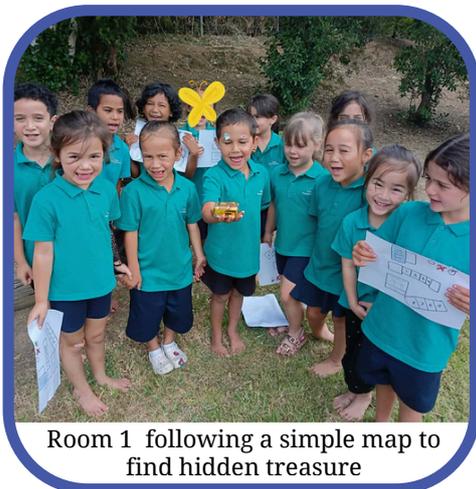
Reminders

- School Assemblies are held every Friday at 9.45am. Whanau are always welcome to attend these with us.
- Follow our school Facebook page to see notices, reminders, event results, and photos from around our school: www.facebook.com/kaitaiaprimary
- 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 is sick, or their end of day transport routine is going to change, please let the OFFICE STAFF know before 2pm. Children being picked up early also need to be signed out through the office please.

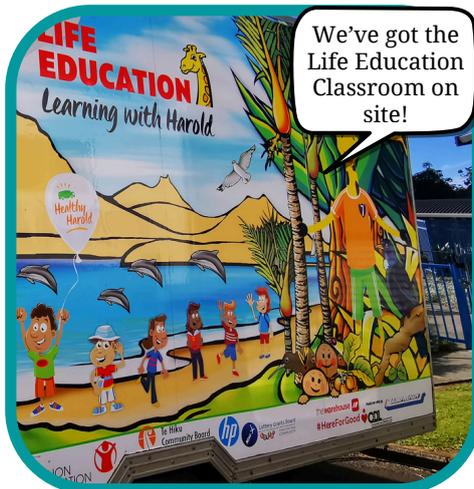
Upcoming Events

- 2nd -12th March - Life Education mobile Classroom onsite with Harold
- Friday 13th March - KPS Year 5 & 6 Swimming Sports 9:30-12:30
- Friday 20th March - Whānau Day
- Friday 20th March - Junior School Whānau Waka Challenge
- Friday 27th March - Junior School Easter Raffle Drawn
- Thursday 2nd April - End of Term 1!
(Easter is in the school holidays)

Spotted at School



Room 1 following a simple map to find hidden treasure

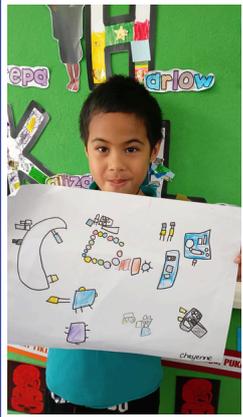


We've got the Life Education Classroom on site!



Room 2 having fun visits in the Library

HIGHLIGHTS FROM...



Cheyenne's class map | Ikera finger knitting | Legacy's name story

Room 1

Room 1 has had a fantastic start to the year, getting to know one another and settling into our classroom routines. We are learning about local myths and legends and the stories behind our names. Our names are unique and all have special meanings behind them. We learnt about 'old games' and were taught how to make elastics by finger knitting and how to play Tic Tac Toe. Last week we began learning about maps and how they are used. We created maps of our classrooms and used a map to find hidden treasure in the Junior School.



Room 8

We have had a busy and positive start to the school year, with a strong focus on whakawhanaungatanga - building relationships and getting to know one another. Celebrating who we are as individuals has inspired us to create some impressive sketch portraits and pepeha art.

Other highlights this term have included continuing to build our swimming skills and enjoying time spent learning and connecting with our tuakana class.



Room 22

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou, Rūma Rua Tekau Mā Rua has been very busy this term. Our kaupapa has been **Whakawhanaungatanga** and **Te Tiriti o Waitangi**. The children have completed "All About Me" worksheets, made name tags, and learned about Aotearoa before Te Tiriti (Pre-European life). Our big idea has been that Māori lived in Aotearoa with strong systems and ways of life before Europeans arrived.

Swimming in our school pool has been a highlight this term, and the children have really enjoyed their time in the water.

Our whakataukī for the term is:

He oranga ngākau, he pikinga waiora

Positive feelings in your heart will raise your sense of well-being.



Room 23

Tēnā koutou katoa, Room 23 would like to welcome Matua Mahanga Tere and Miss Love into our classroom as our new kaiawhina/T.A. Nau mai haere mai korua and in addition our new student Alaya. Room 23 has been very busy so far this term we completed 'Te Kawa me Tukunga Iho o Akomanga 23' (Room 23 Protocols & Consequences) which involved all students and adults in Room 23 input and signature. Parents are able to see students mahi if you have got devices and the students can do this mahi at home if they wish. This mahi includes Math, Writing, Reading and Te Reo Māori. In addition to this students are learning to swim and some softball skills.