



Kaitaia Primary School

Kia Ngāwari (Be Kind)

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 30 June 2026 Term 3 Week 2



Kia ora koutou!

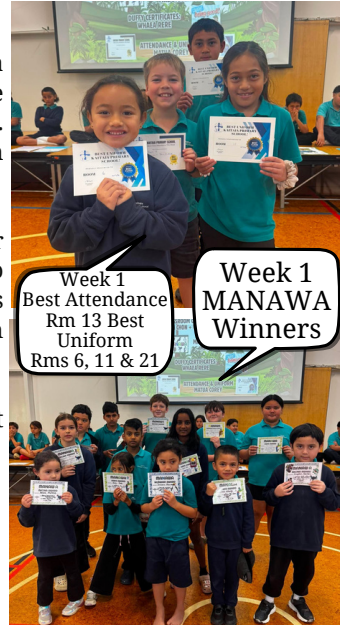
Welcome back to Term 3 at Kaitaia Primary School, everyone. And a special welcome to all our new students and whanau. Also, we welcome Mrs Kaye Healey, our new Teacher in our reception class, Room 3. Welcome to the team, Kaye! We hope you all enjoy your time here with us at KPS.

I've been visiting classes over the last two weeks, and it's great to see our tamariki and staff into their learning programmes straight away- no wasted time here, folks. We've already seen a number of our students make more than a year's progress in their reading or spelling levels. I'm sure this is a sign of more great things to come.

Once again, I look forward to catching up with everyone at different events throughout this term.

Nga mihi

Mr Morrissey (Mr M)
Principal



Reminders

- School Assemblies are held every Friday at 9.45am. Whānau are always welcome to attend these with us.
- Headlice/nits/kutus are making the rounds at school. Scabies also. These should be treated quickly to prevent them from spreading. Please check your child's hair and skin.
- Follow our school Facebook page to see notices, reminders, event results, and photos from around our school: www.facebook.com/kaitaiaprimary
- For those with a sore throat there are FREE Throat Swabs at Brown's Community Pharmacy for aged 3 to 35 years (with emphasis on children and adolescents aged 4 to 19 years)

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 19th August - KPS Cross Country

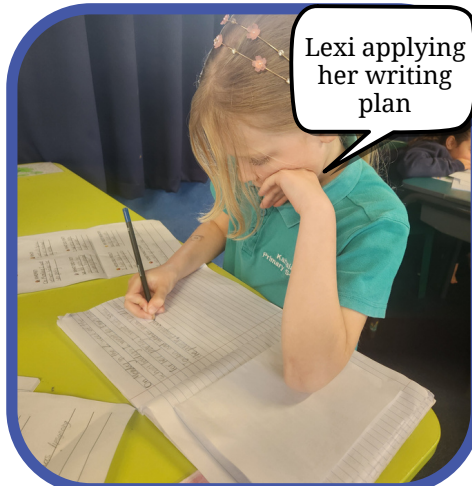
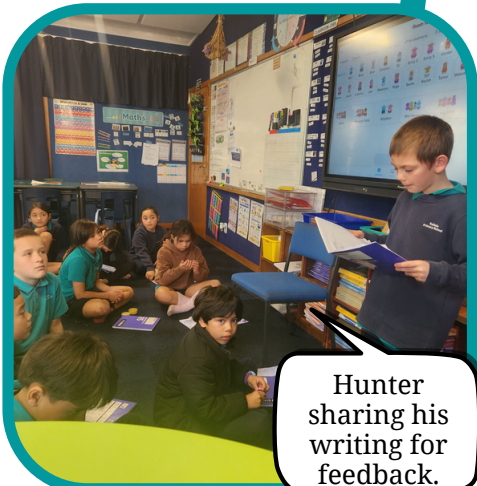
Friday 21st August - KPS Daffodil Day

Monday 24th August - KPS Teacher Only Day

Friday 11th Sept - KPS Whānau Day

Friday 25th September - Last Day Term 2

Spotted at School

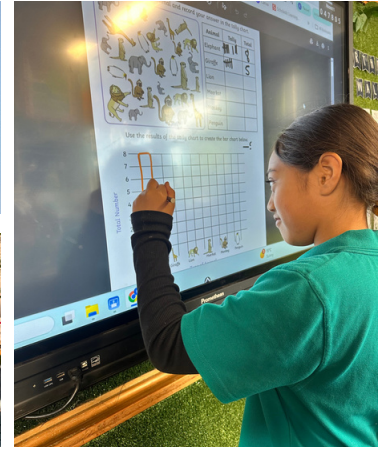


HIGHLIGHTS FROM...



Room 10

Welcome back to Term 3! Room 10 is diving into the fascinating world of interconnected ecosystems this term. Our learning kicked off with exploring the difference between biotic (living) and abiotic (non-living) factors, followed by an in-depth look into the different layers that make up various ecosystems. Through these activities, students have been identifying the living and non-living elements we interact with every single day.



Room 11

Room 11 has been busy developing our data skills. We began by using tally charts to organise and count given data before turning our results into bar graphs. Now, we are taking the next step by collecting our own data, asking questions, recording our findings, and creating our own bar graphs to display the results. Through this hands-on learning, students are building confidence in analysing data, comparing results, and explaining what their graphs tell them. It has been wonderful to see everyone so engaged and excited to become young mathematicians!



Room 12

The students in Room 12 are so excited to be back at school and got straight back into deep learning.

The Numeracy focus this term is Multiplication and Division, and our Inquiry focus is Northland's geography. We are also getting stuck into preparing our class garden.

So much fun learning going on!



Room 13

The term has started with a bang in Room 13! It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back, with students enjoying sharing their holiday stories through detailed recount writing, publishing their work on their devices, and adding colourful illustrations. We have also begun training for cross-country, focusing on pacing ourselves, controlling our breathing, and building our stamina. It has been fantastic to see everyone return refreshed, enthusiastic, and ready to get stuck into their learning and make the most of the term ahead.

Treating yourself and your whānau

How to apply scabies cream or lotion

- Treat everyone in the house at the same time before bed, even if not itchy.
- Apply permethrin cream or lotion over all your skin. If you can't get help applying cream to your back, talk to your healthcare provider about other treatment options.
- Use enough cream or lotion to cover skin fully. Ensure enough cream or lotion for everyone in the house, and for the repeat treatment in 7 days.
 - Each treatment for an adult-sized person needs one or two bottles if they are larger.
 - Children 5-12 years; half to one bottle.
 - Children 2-5 years; quarter of a bottle.
 - For a child under 2 years; less than a quarter of a bottle.

Before you go to bed - Day 1

- Apply cream or lotion all over your skin, avoiding your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Start with your face, scalp, ears and neck, then your chest, arms and legs, including armpits, belly button, feet, toes and toenails.
- Get help to cover hard-to-reach areas like your back.
- Wash your hands, apply cream or lotion to your genital skin and between the buttocks, wash your hands again and then reapply to hands, wrists, between your fingers and under nails. Reapply if hands washed overnight.
- Leave cream overnight for 8 to 12 hours.



The next day

- Wash cream off. Put on clean clothes not worn for 4 days.
- Treat clothing and household items used in the last 4 days.
- See overleaf - Treat household items to stop scabies coming back.



7 days later

- Repeat treatment exactly as Day 1 to kill newly hatched eggs and make sure scabies doesn't come back.
- Re-treat clothes and household items.



10 to 14 days later

- Check all household members for new itchy spots or rash.
- If new spots appear, seek advice from your healthcare provider.

Other information

If you are unable to apply cream or lotion as described, talk to your healthcare provider about other treatment like tablets. For more information, visit info.health.nz/scabies.

Treat household items and stop scabies coming back

Scabies mites and eggs can live off the body for several days. After each personal treatment, clean clothing, bedding and household items to stop scabies coming back.

Day 1:

Personal treatment for everyone at home. Apply cream or lotion to all your skin and leave overnight.

Follow your healthcare provider's instructions if you are taking tablets.

See overleaf – Treating yourself and your whānau.

The next day

After personal treatment, treat sheets, pillowcases, duvet covers, towels, facecloths, soft toys and clothing used in the last 4 days.

Choose one of the following methods to kill the mites and their eggs.



Hot wash cycle over 50°C for more than 10 minutes



Put dry items in the dryer on HOT for at least 10 minutes



Freeze for at least 5 hours (could be overnight)



Seal in a plastic bag for 4 days

days 2 to 5:

Clean carpets, soft furnishings and car seats (adult and child). Vacuum each day for 4 days.



Car seats



Give removable coverings a hot wash



Vacuum clean or wipe surfaces



Children's car seats can be sealed in a plastic bag for 4 days

DAYS 8 to 10:

After your second personal treatment on day 7, repeat the treatment of clothing and household items exactly as before.