



**Tena koutou katoa
Greetings to you all**

School Roll: 151 students

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I wish students, teachers and parents attending our camps this term, all the very best. Please stay safe and have an awesome experience. Please check your child's bag for school newsletters and notices from teachers leading up to these camps. Teachers are also providing information on Seesaw, so please respond to this if required.

NEW PRINCIPAL EMPLOYMENT PROCESS

The Kio Kio School Board of Trustees has engaged an education consultant to guide and assist them with employing a new principal for Term 3. The process will begin once the Board have met with the consultant to agree on set criteria and a time-line for advertising the position.

PAID UNION MEETING (PUM) - 22ND MARCH

Our teachers will be attending this paid union meeting on the **22nd March at 1.30PM in Te Awamutu.**

Our school will be closed for instruction from 1.00PM onwards. Parents will need to collect their children from school when the bell goes at 1.00PM.

WHANAU EVENING

Thank you to those parents who attended our whanau evening on Friday 16 February. The weather was fantastic, the pool warm and inviting, and the atmosphere relaxing. I hope you took the opportunity to check out your child's room, meet the teacher and other families. Please continue to use the class Seesaw for viewing notices and contacting the teacher when required.

LOCKDOWN PRACTICE

As part of our Health and Safety Procedures at Kio Kio School, we are required to practise fire, lockdown and earthquake drills.

We have already had a fire drill practice which went really well with all students and staff assembled on our top field and the roll taken within 7 minutes.

We will be holding a lockdown practice either tomorrow (Friday) or late next week. Staff have

been going over the procedures with their students in preparation for this drill.

If there is a threat to student and staff safety, Kio Kio School may follow procedures for a lockdown or shelter in place. This usually means we move everyone at the school indoors and we remain there until the "all clear" is given. Our actions may differ depending on the situation, or recommendations from authorities.

A lockdown or shelter in place may be signalled by the principal or their delegate, and authorities such as the New Zealand Police. We practise our lockdown and shelter in place procedures regularly with staff and students (as appropriate).

STRUCTURED LITERACY INFORMATION EVENING

Thank you parents for attending this evening on Tuesday night. It was an excellent presentation by Louise Payne from Learning Matters and Emma Telfer, our Lead Teacher in Structured Literacy. Structured Literacy instruction is an important component within our Literacy programme, so parents gaining an insight into how it works is really important.

Thanks staff, students, and former students for assisting Mrs Telfer with the set up.

SCHOOL DOCS - POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Our school policies and procedures are available for families to view online. Below is the website and username and password you can type in to access:

1. www.schooldocs.co.nz
2. Click **Search for your school** - Start typing the school's name and then select from the dropdown list.
3. Username:KioKio
Password: 3974

CLASS CAMPS

Our 4 senior classes will be attending camps this term:

Rimu	Te Kauri Lodge (near Kawhia)
Totara	
& Kahikatea	Waitawheta (near Waihi)
Kauri	Papamoa

Alot of time and organisation goes into preparing for these camps, so thank you teachers for your hard mahi. Thanks also to those parents who are transporting students and assisting at camp in some way. Thank you for being a parent to all students.

SUPPORTERS' COMMITTEE

Please check out the Supporters' Committee Newsletter attached to The Flash.

Money recently donated to our school is an amazing \$20000. This amount benefits all students. Thank you especially for the \$4000 going towards school camps. This ensures that camp costs are lowered for each attending student.

I can't thank you enough Supporters' Committee members for your time and energy to fundraise throughout the year. You are a brilliant bunch to work with!

Please parents, get in behind these members for future events.

THE SUPPORTERS COMMITTEE next big fundraiser!!



🎵 🎶 Step into the vibe of Coachella without leaving Ōtorohanga! 🎵 🎶

🎉 You're invited to our Coachella themed fundraiser event! 🎉

📅 Date: Saturday 6 April

🕒 Time: 7.00pm - 12.00am

📍 Location: Kio Kio Community Hall, Ellis Road

🎵 Live Music: You might remember the amazing band we had last year. Well they are back again... better than ever!

⊕ R18 event

🎫 Tickets:

Early bird sale - \$45 pp

After 23 March - \$50pp

(available from a SC member or the school office)

☀️ So grab your tickets now and join us for a night filled with live music, delicious food, auctions and vibrant energy, all in support of a great cause.

LINDA'S FAREWELL



LINDA Mrs B's poem by Emma Telfer.

*In Kio Kio School, where dreams take flight,
There's Mrs. B, our guiding light.
For twenty-three years, she's been our rock,
In every classroom, on every block.
As a teacher aide, she lent a hand,
Helping students learn and understand.
With patience and care, she showed the way,
Turning challenges into a bright, new day.
In the Library's haven, she truly shined,
With every book, a world she'd find.
But beyond the shelves, her heart did bloom,
Helping students chase away the gloom.
At staff functions, a secret kept,
Of Mrs B's skills, no one can forget.
A pool shark hidden, with cue in hand,
She'd sink the balls with a master's stand.
And on the greens, she's proudly stroll,
Whacking golf balls with a graceful roll.
In ten-pin bowling, she'd aim just right,
Nearly breaking pins with her powerful might.
But now the time has come to part,
Though it tugs the strings of every heart.
Mrs B, with heartfelt thanks, we say goodbye,
For guiding us where dreams soar high.
In every corner of this cherished place,
Her laughter echoes, leaving its trace.
Though she's leaving our beloved school,
Her legacy remains, an everlasting jewel.
So here's to Mrs B, our guiding star,
Whose kindness reached both near and far.
In Kio Kio's story, she'll forever be,
A symbol of love and possibility.*

2024 STUDENT LEADERS

Last week we announced our Student Leaders for 2024. Congratulations to all of these students for taking on these important responsibilities around our school:

COUNCILLORS

Olly McMullan

Alana Clark

Zoe King

Abby Lawry

Kayla Wilken

Hadia Ali

HOUSE CAPTAINS

Kakepuku

(Red House)

Puketarata

(Green House)

Maungatutari

(Yellow House)

Pirongia

(Blue House)

Xian Lumbo

Tyelar Davies

Ryan Mark

Brenna Hodges

Jakob Espiritu

Reid Mitchell

Kaylee Fraser

Lara Thompson

LIBRARIANS

Mason Woodward

Alana Clark

Kayla Wilken

Charlie McGillivray

Raven Wheeler

Olly McMullan

Willow Jacobs

Tyelar Davies

Joel Osterman

FIRST AIDERS

Brooklyn Moss

Wyatt Tyler

Brenna Hodges

Lara Thompson

Kaylee Fraser

Waimarie Wharepouru

Darcy Cherrington

Joel Osterman

Sean Corley

Keira Robertson

MEDIATORS

Reid Mitchell	Willow Jacobs
Zoe Tripp	Kate Manicad
Alyssa Manicad	Zoe King
Jakob Espiritu	Charlie McGillivray
Lockie Eti	Olly McMullan
Korowit Hy	Jayden Davey

BUS MONITORS

Jakob Espiritu	Mason Woodward
Zoe Tripp	Lara Thompson

E TEAM

Kate Manicad	Raven Wheeler
Ryan Mark	Tyelar Davies
Caitlin Gill	Brooklyn Moss

ENVIRO-TEAM

Joel Osterman	Abby Lawry
Jakob Espiritu	Zoe King
Wyatt Tyler	Alana Clark
Reid Mitchell	

BREAKFAST CLUB ROSTER

Monday	Katie Krukerink
Tuesday	Natalie Southgate
Wednesday	Greer Morrow
Thursday	Emma Anselmi

WHAT'S COMING UP THIS TERM

29th Feb	Junior School Swimming Displays
4-6 March	Rimu Class Camp - Te Kauri Lodge
7th March	Kio Kio Swimming Sports
13th March	COPS Swimming Sports
18-21 March	Kauri Class Camp - Papamoa
22 March	Paid Union Meeting 1.30pm
25-28 March	Kahikatea Class Camp - Waitawheta
29th - 2 April	Easter Break
5th April	Fred Amess Football Tournament
10th April	Kio Kio School Triathlon
13th April	End of Term 1
29th April	Start of Term 2

Ngā mihi

**Kevin Jones - Principal
and Staff**



NZ Country Schools are excited to be a part of the Fuel for Schools programme.

It's very simple. Fern customers can nominate a participating school to receive 50 cents for every 100L of bulk fuel they have delivered. Once a school reaches their \$1,000 target they can redeem free technology, sports & music packages or books. It's just that simple. The more people involved the sooner they will be rewarded!

Talk to our local Account Manager Kelly Brears for more information on the Fuel for Schools programme, fuel, tanks, health and safety or any of your bulk fuel requirements, she's happy to pop out and have a chat!



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FUELS FOR SCHOOLS

As a Fern fuel customer, you can nominate a participating school to receive 50 cents for every 100 litres of bulk fuel that you have purchased. We accrue these funds and when a participating school has reached \$1000 through the

programme they can choose to either redeem a technology, sports, literacy or music package.

Our total to date is \$325.18.

We would like to thank the members of the community who have contributed to this total.

SCHOOL BANKING & PHONE DETAILS

Account number
BNZ Otorohanga 02-0392-0021774-000
School Phone: (07) 873 1816
Text Messages/Absences: 027 3981725

The Kiwi Kids Club After School Care at the Anglican Church. Open hours 2.45pm to 5.45pm. We pick children up from their school when school finishes. Give them afternoon tea, play until the child is picked up. There is a Winz subsidy available for working or studying parents. To enrol your child for what days you need or for more information hourly costs as they can be different contact Wiggs 021491616.

Next BOT meeting

3rd April 2024 at 6.30PM

KIO KIO SCHOOL



8 - 13 year olds

THURSDAY 7 MARCH

Otorohanga Memorial Pool Complex

Kauri class will be selling hot food, baking, juices and cold drinks

**NORTH KING COUNTRY JUNIOR
FOOTBALL CLUB**

AGM

all contributing schools/clubs
must have a delegate in
attendance

**WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH
7.00pm**

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SCAN TO REGISTER NOW!

CATCH! STRIKE! THROW!

TOWN	LOCATION	DAY	AGE	START & END	TIME
Whangamata	Whangamata Area School	Wed	Year 1-4	14 Feb - 20 Mar	3.35pm
Waikō	Waikō College	Wed	Year 1-4	14 Feb - 20 Mar	4pm
Te Araroa	Te Araroa College	Thu	Year 1-4	15 Feb - 21 Mar	4.30pm
Thames	Rhodes Park	Fri	Year 1-4	16 Feb - 22 Mar	4pm
Ngatangiia	High Wayward Domain	Mon	Year 1-4	12 Feb - 19 Mar	4pm
Otaranga	Otaranga South School	Thu	Year 1-4	15 Feb - 21 Mar	3.30pm
Mortonsville	Mortonsville Rec Ground	Fri	Year 1-4	16 Feb - 22 Mar	4pm
Te Kaiti	Te Kaiti Domain	Tue	Year 1-4	13 Feb - 19 Mar	4.30pm
Te Awamutu	Albert Park	Fri	Year 1-4	16 Feb - 22 Mar	4.30pm
Takarua	David Faeta Park	Wed	Year 1-4	14 Feb - 20 Mar	4pm

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KIO KIO SCHOOL
SUPPORTERS' COMMITTEE PRESENTS
COACHELLA

SATURDAY 6 APRIL
7.00PM TIL 12.00AM
KIO KIO COMMUNITY HALL



18 PLUS EVENT

DINNER PROVIDED | BAR FACILITIES | LIVE MUSIC

SUPPORTERS' COMMITTEE NEWS

Firstly I would like to thank the incredible ladies and gents who are involved in the Supporters' Committee: *Aaron Thompson, Dany Neustroski, Kevin Jones, Jules Campbell, Erica Macdonald, Steph Hughes, Kristy Stewart, Amanda Fleming, Katie Krukerink, Andrew Payne, Dan Brice and Pila Rata*. Your support and dedication towards making a difference in the lives of the children at Kio Kio School is paramount and I thank you for this! Also, thank you to all those people who can't commit to being on the committee but who are always willing to lend a hand, do some baking or man the bbq when required. We appreciate the time that you all put in.

I would like to make special mention of *Natalie McMullan* who has resigned from the committee and previously resigned as our treasurer. Your knowledge and guidance around our fundraising finances was invaluable. I know that we are in good hands with Dany taking over the treasurer role, and I thank Dany for stepping into this position.

I am very mindful of the limitations around seeking sponsorship and running fundraisers. Even so, I am extremely humbled by the support of our families and community. The generosity that people display proves that Kio Kio School is a tremendous school for children to attend.

We held our AGM on 19 February 2024. Congratulations, the following people were elected into roles:

<i>Chairperson</i>	Emma Telfer
<i>Deputy Chairperson</i>	Amanda Fleming
<i>Treasurer</i>	Dany Neustroski
<i>Secretary</i>	Steph Hughes
<i>Committee Members</i>	Aaron Thompson, Erica Macdonald, Kristy Stewart, Katie Krukerink, Andrew Payne, Dan Brice, Danelle Tripp, Brooke Sanson, Pila Rata, Penny Needham

Finances

I am proud that as a committee we can provide the school with funds for a variety of purposes and serving the academic, arts and sports areas. Thus supporting all students at Kio Kio School.

In 2023 after all fundraising efforts we were pleased to raise a total of **\$29,447.00** profit. This is an outstanding result!

A summary of money donated in 2023:

Board of Trustees	\$7000.00
School Van	\$5000.00
Teaching Resources	\$1000.00
Taku Wairua, TV, iPads, Sports Camp	\$5000.00
Total	\$18,000.00

Already in 2024 we have been able to donate funds back to Kio Kio School. At our recent General Meeting held on 19 February these funds were donated:

A summary of money donated in February 2024:

Board of Trustees	\$13000.00
Production	\$2000.00
Art	\$1000.00
Senior Camps - Kauri, Kahikatea, Totara & Rimu	\$4000.00
Total	\$20,000.00

Fundraisers

The below are our regular set fundraisers for 2024.

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Hot Cross Buns Mid Winter Party (been brought forward) Triathlon	Winter Sports Oxford Pies	Cross Country BBQ Wine	Ag Day Athletics Fireworks/Gala Cookies Calves

This year our aim is to contribute more frequently (possibly in lesser amounts) to the teaching and learning of our tamariki at Kio Kio School. We want the children and their whānau to directly benefit from our fundraising efforts.

We always welcome new members to our committee and would love to see some new faces!

Kind regards,

Emma Telfer - Chairperson