

Kio Kio School Newsletter

Whakatangata "Playing the Game of Life"



3 March 2022



Tena koutou katoa – Greetings to you all

School Roll: 130 students

COVID UPDATE

At present we have 4 students who have tested positive for COVID and are isolating at home with their families. We are extremely lucky with the low numbers but are continuing at school with the health guidelines set by the Ministry of Health. Especially the mask wearing for years 4-8 students. It is important that you continue to monitor your child/ren for symptoms and get them tested if you need to. If your child is unwell, please keep them at home until they are better. Unfortunately, there are colds and allergies around at present, but we need parents to be vigilant and get in touch with us if you have any questions.

Please see a chart attached at the end of this newsletter regarding the new government isolation rules.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

At the latest Board meeting, there was an election of officers leading into the 2022 year. The only change is Karen Thompson taking over from Julian Usher as the Chairperson.

We have an election in September of this year and have a number of trustees finishing on the Board. If any parents are interested in becoming a BOT member, please contact our school to discuss this further.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES CASUAL VACANCY

At present, we have a vacancy to fill if anyone is interested. This role will finish prior to the September elections. If you may be interested, please contact me to discuss the role. The BOT is hoping to co-opt a parent onto the Board without having a bi-election.

JULIAN USHER - THANK YOU

Julian has been a Board member for approximately 9 years at Kio Kio School with the last 6 years as Chairperson. Although he is extremely busy as a director of VE Vets, he has generously given his time to our school. He is also the first person called when our school alarm is activated after hours!

I have really enjoyed the support Julian has given to me over my 4 ½ years as principal. His business acumen, pragmatism, and sense of humour has been well-received. Julian will continue in a board role until the election in September.

SCIENCE INITIATIVE AWARD

I would like to thank **Leslee and Peter Telfer** for their generosity in providing our students the opportunity to apply for the Science Initiative Award over the last 10 years (\$5000). The student/students who were selected were given \$500 for the year to undertake a particular project. For example: The Bug Hotel, riparian planting around waterways,

bee keeping, planting native trees, plants, grasses, growing native trees. This amazing opportunity has been a great addition to our Enviro-. School initiatives. Mr Telfer continues to support our school with the growing of plants and trees in our glass house and gardens.

EPWORTH SCHOOL CAMP

Last week Rimu & Totara classes attended Epworth Camp in Karapiro. They had an awesome time with lots of rich science learning at Yarndleys bush, Maungatautari scenic reserve, and then in the local stream using the science kit. They learnt how to measure pH, temperature, clarity and judge a stream's health. Thank you to Helen and Angela for their organisation and all parent helpers for their support in making this a fabulous learning experience for the students.



OFFICE ADMIN SUPPORT

We are on the lookout for someone with administration experience who could help support Rachel in the school office. If you are interested in more information about this position, please phone Kevin or Rachel 07 873 1816.

2022 STUDENT LEADERS

Last week we announced our Student Leaders for 2022. Congratulations to all of these students for taking on these important responsibilities around our school:

Kayla Tyler

Grayson Telfer

Cam Griffin

Eden Culpan

Caitlin Anselmi Campbell Thompson

Amokura Harmon

Councillors

Zhana Mitchell Karla Davey Ruby Ritch Sienna Roberts

Cooper Chatfield-Aymes

House Captains

Kakepuku -(Red House) Puketarata -(Green House) Maungatautari -(Yellow House) Pirongia (Blue House) -

<u>Librarians</u>

Kayla Tyler Zhana Mitchell Eden Culpan Dinuk Jayatilaka Jasmine Downs-Bryant

First Aiders

Ruby Ritch Joe McCash Amokura Harmon Banthita Hy Kennedy Cruickshank

<u>Mediators</u>

Grayson Telfer Roman Latu Ruby Ritch Kaden Taia Kennedy Cruickshank

Bus Monitors

Dinuk Jayatilaka Caitlin Anselmi Roman Latu Sienna Roberts

<u>Enviro Team</u>

Jasmine Downs-Bryant Sienna Roberts Grayson Telfer Amokura Harmon Eden Culpan Cooper Chatfield-Aymes Petra Lincoln Roman Latu Banthita Hy Karla Davey

Jasmine Downs-Bryant Zoe Lupton Caitlin Anselmi Sienna O'Reilly Petra Lincoln

Thomas Corley Zoe Lupton Sienna O'Reilly Phoenix Classen Kayla Tyler

Kault Street Sienna O'Reilly Cam Griffin

Phoenix Classen Petra Lincoln Joe McCash Campbell Thompson Zoe Lupton Zhana Mitchell

<u>E Team</u>

Echo Wheeler Raniera Wharepouri Alex Wilson

<u>Media Team</u>

Echo Wheeler Thomas Corley ` Alex Wilson

Power Crew

Kaden Taia Cooper Chatfield-Aymes Tavian Cherrington Campbell Thompson

SWIMMING SPORTS

Congratulations to the cup winners below at our annual swimming sports and to all students who participated at this event. This was held at the Otorohanga Pools for 8+ year old students. Thank you to Emma for organising this event and to staff and parents who assisted on the day. Yellow house was victorious on the day winning the house points competition.

Biggar Cup (Junior Girls) -

Amokura Harmon

van Grootel Trophy (Junior Boys) -Grayson Telfer



Kooyman Trophy (Senior Girls) -Ruby Ritch

Eaton Roberts Cup (Senior Boys) -Campbell Thompson

BUS BOOK REMINDER

Please ensure that Rachel in our school office is informed early if your child won't be on the school bus in the afternoon. You can do this by ringing (8731816) or emailing <u>admin@kiokio.school.nz</u>. If your child has regular days of the week each week that they will not be using the bus in the afternoons, please contact the office to update the bus book. This will save parents having to contact the school on these days.

PAYMENTS

Stationery and camp fees are now due for payment. Please Note: We do not have an effpos facility and although we accept cash, Direct Crediting through online banking is our preferred method.

Dinuk Jayatilaka Tavian Cherrington

Karla Davey Kennedy Cruickshank

Kault Street Raniera Wharepouri Cam Griffin SCHOOL BANKING & PHONE DETAILS Account number is: BNZ Otorohanga 02-0392-0021774-000 School Phone: (07) 873 1816 Text Messages/Absences: 027 3981725

WHAT'S COMING UP THIS TERM?

16 MarTriathlon20- 23 MarNikau Camp07 AprGRIP Leadership Day - (Postponed)

Ngā manaakitanga Kevin Jones - Principal and Staff

SUBWAY COLLECTION ROSTER

04 Mar BJ Mark 11 Mar Ange Richards 18 Mar Amanda Wright



Online Registrations are now OPEN!

Jump onto our Facebook group or email otojnrrugby@gmail.com for more details! Trainings will start mid March Season starts beginning of May, Term 2!

KIO KIO SCHOOL P.O.W.E.R VALUES



Thank you to Stacey-Lee Reynolds and Helen Twentyman for their work with our PB4L (Positive Behaviour 4 Learning) initiative. We now have some amazing Kio Kio Characters that we feel represent our school values.

COVID PROTOCOL REMINDERS

Visitors to School

- No non-essential visitors on site.
- All visitors, including parents and caregivers, if they do come onsite should wear face coverings when on school grounds. Please only come into school if it is necessary to do so. For example, parents dropping off new or younger students.
- Parents will need to scan the NZ COVID Tracer QR code posters attached to the gates at the bus shelter when entering the school grounds. If you do not have the app on your phone, you must register your name at the school office.
- Do not enter the school grounds from the gate in front of the office and beside our mailbox.
- All visitors must maintain a safe distance from other students and teachers whilst on the school grounds.

Face Masks

- Face coverings must be worn when indoors by students receiving education in Years 4 and above and any staff member working to provide, or support the provision of, that education.
- Face coverings are not required to be worn in schools by staff or students, for Years 1 3.
- A pragmatic approach will be used for any situation where there are a mixture of year levels where some students are not required to wear face coverings, and others are. For example, if students are predominantly Year 3 with some Year 4 students also, face coverings could be optional.
- A pragmatic approach will be used for any high needs students. We will have any discussions with families if required. **Please name your child's mask.**
- Public health advice is that an appropriate face covering will fit snugly and seal well around facial contours. This can include single use, disposable masks (medical masks) and reusable fabric masks with three layers.

School Transport

• For all students Year 4 upwards face coverings are mandatory on school transport.

Physical Distancing

 Beyond classroom groupings physical distancing of 1 metre when indoors should be observed wherever practicable. Large groups of students meeting indoors should be avoided including assemblies, prize giving and performances.

Indoor Environment - Hygiene Practices

- Classes will be well-ventilated to provide fresh air to minimize risk for our students and staff.
 We will also be receiving a CO₂ monitor in the coming weeks to further support our ventilation plan.
- Hand sanitisers and soap will be provided for students to wash their hands.

Outdoor Environment

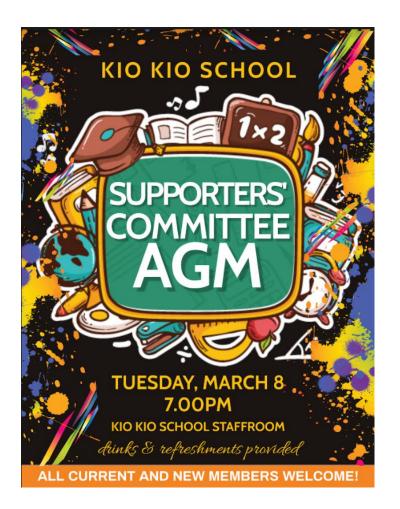
- Exercising and singing must be held outdoors.
- Physical education classes and break time activities can include access to sports equipment, but hygiene practices should be observed before and after playing with equipment. Students will be required to either wash their hands or use hand sanitiser before breaks and when returning to the classroom.



Need help with contactless deliveries - farm and/or household supplies?

0800 787 254







SETTING LIMITS PAU		COMPLIANCE AND BOUNDARIES DOING TOO MUCH QUALITY TIME
IDEAL FOR GROUPS INDIVIDUALS OR A BUNCH OF FRIIENDS	Via F: NEXT CHAI www.nextchapter E: brigid@nextchapt M: 02210 WINZ ASSISTANCE WH	PTER PARENTING parenting.co.nz erparenting.co.r 187214



