

#### **Kio Kio School Newsletter**

## HE FLASH



16 February 2023

Whakatangata "Playing the Game of Life"





Tena koutou katoa Greetings to you all

School Roll: 141 students

The last few days have been devastating for families across the country communities presently unable to leave their area because of landslides and flooding thousands of families without power. Homes have been destroyed with many uninhabitable. Our thoughts go out to these families with the hope of a speedy return to normality for them.

Our district has been extremely lucky to escape with little damage, and our students able to come to school during this period.

Our students have settled into school really well and are beginning to learn about their class routines and expectations. We have a busy term, so please look out for class newsletters and check the school calendar for important dates.

If you need to meet with your child's teacher for any reasons, please communicate through email or Seesaw to arrange a time to suit.

#### **WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS FOR 2023**

Isobel Casey Stanley Brice Henry Featherstone Maci Edwards Olive Morrow Benjamin Lawrence Lincoln Pratt Remy Morrow Quade Street Liam Thorpe Harlan Edwards Connor Shaw Inuri Thisa Kuttige Sanu Thisa Kuttige

We hope you and your families, especially if you are new to our school, enjoy your time with us.

#### **STAFF 2023**

Principal: Kevin Jones

Teaching Staff:

Suze Case/Dianne Shariff Kowhai (NE) Puriri (Y1,2) Lily Johnstone

Pohutukawa (Y2,3) Kirsten Beck (Team Leader) Rimu (Y3,4) Larna Culpan

Totara (Y4,5)

Helen Twentyman/Shakira

Derbyshire Karen Coleman Kahikatea (Y6,7)

Kauri (Y7,8) Emma Telfer

Release Teachers: Dianne Shariff, Lucy Stewart Teacher Aides: Samantha Meagher, Summerfield, Kristy Stewart, Linda Blanchett

Librarian: Linda Blanchett

**Learning Support Coordinator**: Rosie Jones Office Manager: Shirley McKinley Office Administrator: Amanda Wright

Caretaker: Ken Morriss

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Presiding Member** Karen Thompson **Principal** Kevin Jones **Treasurer** Natalie McMullan Secretary Michelle Anselmi **Trustee** Charlie Telfer **Trustee** Paul Fleming Trustee / Property Wayne Lupton Staff Rep Helen Twentyman **Minute Secretary** Leanne Lawrence

#### **OUR POWER VALUES**

**Perseverance** 0 Ownership W Wonder E **Excellence** R Respect

#### PAID UNION MEETINGS (PUM) - 27th February

Our teachers will be attending this paid union meeting on the 27th February at 1.30 pm in Te

Our teachers love what they do, but not enough funding for schools means that they don't have the time they would like to support all kids to thrive.

We can fix this though. NZEI Te Riu Roa primary teacher and principal members are making the case to Government for the best investment in tamariki. Smaller class sizes, more time for individual students and more specialist learning support staffing would make a huge difference. Keeping and retaining teachers is top of mind right now, and this term, our teachers will also be meeting to consider a pay offer - and assessing if it's enough to make sure that teaching is valued

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

#### STUDENTS ENTERING AND LEAVING SCHOOL

and is an attractive profession.

Please make sure that your child/ren are dropped off and collected from the bus shelter each day. Please avoid using the front gate closest to the

office for safety reasons.

#### **STUDENT LEADERSHIP ROLES 2023**

Each year our senior students in years 7 and 8 are given various leadership roles such as school councillors, house leaders, first aid monitors, librarians, enviro team, bus monitors, etc...

Students are given the opportunity to apply for these roles, as they run for the whole year.

This year our staff have the difficult job of selecting 8 student councillors from a group of students who applied for this position. Fortunately, those students who miss out have the opportunity to take on other leadership roles within our school.

#### PERMISSION INFORMATION FORM

A Permission Information form has been sent home today. We ask that you check all details, make changes where necessary, answer the yes/no questions, sign and return to school as soon as possible so we can update student details.

#### **PEANUT ALLERGY**

We have a student in Totara class with a severe peanut allergy who cannot come in contact with **peanuts or products with peanuts in them.** We are asking parents do not send peanuts or any peanut related products to school, so that we can keep this student safe. Thank you for your understanding.

#### TREE CLIMBING

Our students are allowed to climb selected trees at school with permission from parents. This consent occurs when a child is enrolled. If you do not want your child to climb trees, please let your child's teacher know as soon as possible.

We have rules around climbing trees, especially around the height they can climb to and the size of the branches to walk on.

#### SCHOOL POOL

This is still available for families to use after school and on the weekends. The cost to purchase a key is \$75. See Shirley, our Office Manager, who will have some paperwork for you to fill out prior to purchasing a key.

REMINDER for families using the pool:

- Please leave the door unlocked for access to the toilets
- A first aid kit is available in the cupboard on the left hand side of the corridor
- Please ensure young children are wearing appropriate clothing to stop any toileting issues occurring in the pool
- Lock the gate if you are the last group leaving

#### **START OF THE SCHOOL DAY**

The official teaching day begins at 9.00 am and ends at 2.55 pm. Our bus students arrive at school

close to 8.30 am. We prefer that students are dropped off from 8.30 am onwards as staff are preparing for the day and may not be able to supervise students.

Under special circumstances we will accept students arriving at school earlier than this through consultation with your child's teacher.

#### **LOST PROPERTY**

Our lost property is beginning to build up already. Please ensure that your **child's name or initials** are placed on their clothes, hats and footwear, so we can return them straight away.

Any unclaimed items at the end of the term will be washed and donated to a local charity.

## FERN FUEL FOR SCHOOLS SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME

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 \$772.

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

S & V Hogg ABR Farms Ltd Just Jersey Ltd TJ & L Collingwood Ltd C & C Robertson

AA & MH Flay Partnership



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#### **BUS BOOK REMINDER**

Please ensure that the school office is informed early if your child won't be on the school bus in the afternoon. We also need to be contacted if your child/ren are getting off at another stop. You can do this by phoning the school office on 8731816 or emailing admin@kiokio.school.nz

#### **SCHOOL BUS**

Today, Constable Kathryn Payne met with our bus monitors and bus students to go over the rules for travelling on the bus each day. There are strict rules for keeping themselves and the bus driver safe when travelling to and from school.

For the students who have not already signed the 'Bus Transport Code of Conduct' agreement, these are home today. Would you please discuss this with your child/ren and both sign and return to the office as soon as possible.

#### **FIREWORKS GALA**

Friday 17th March - SAVE THIS DATE Please see notice on back page

#### **BREAKFAST CLUB**



Our breakfast club will run on Monday - Thursday each week beginning at 8.30am. All students are welcome to receive a bowl of milk and weetbix

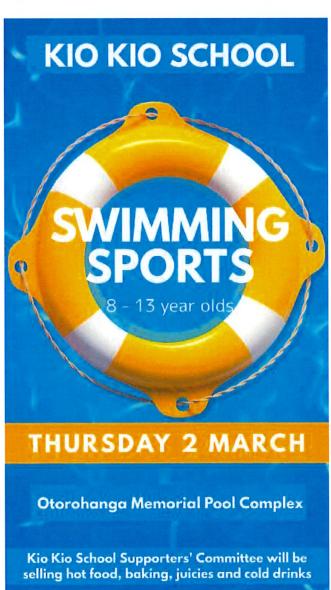
before settling in for the day's work. We are on the lookout for parent volunteers to run the Tuesday and Wednesday mornings for Term 1. If you can help please contact the school office.

#### **CLASS SWIMMING**

All classes are swimming daily as part of the physical education swimming programme. Students are required to bring togs & towels to school each day. If your child cannot swim for any particular reason, please send a note or message to your child's teacher.

#### **PARENT HELP LIST**

Could you please return this form which has been sent home today, back to school as soon as possible. This will help us with our school organisation in 2023.



#### **MAUNGA DAY**

Tuesday 7 March

KIO KIO SCHOOL MAUNGA DAY OUT Departure time on notice



#### **SCHOOL BANKING & PHONE DETAILS**

Account number is:

BNZ Otorohanga 02-0392-0021774-000

School Phone: (07) 873 1816

Text Messages/Absences: 027 3981725

### **SUBWAY COLLECTION ROSTER**

17 Feb BJ Mark

24 Feb Ange Richards

## BREAKFAST CLUB ROSTER

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Katie Krukerink

Thursday Natalie Southgate

#### WHAT'S COMING UP THIS TERM

27th Feb PUM- School to close AT 1PM 2nd Mar School Swimming Sports (8-13 Yrs)

3rd Mar Celebration Assembly

7th Mar Maunga Day 8th Mar COPS Swimming

10th Mar Junior Swimming display TBC

13-15th Mar Survivor Camp 16th Mar Science Roadshow 17th Mar Fireworks Gala

20-24th Mar Totara/Rimu Class Camp 28th Mar Cricket Festival Yr 5-8 29th Mar School Triathlon

3-5th Apr Book Week

6th Apr Celebration Assembly

6th Apr End of Term 1 24th Apr Start of Term 2

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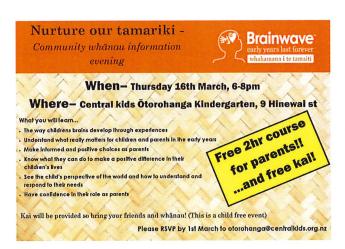
Kevin Jones - Principal

and Staff









#### KIO KIO SCHOOL POWER VALUES



# SUPPORTERS' COMMITTEE NEWS

Firstly I would like to thank the incredible ladies and gents who were involved in the Supporters' Committee in 2022. Your support and dedication towards making a difference in the lives of the children at Kio Kio School is paramount and we 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.

We are holding the **AGM on Tuesday 28 February 2023**. There are a number of members who are standing down from the committee, we invite any new people to attend our fabulous committee.

#### **Finances**

We were pleased to start the year with \$13,932.59 in our bank account. This is an outstanding amount considering we had to postpone our major fundraiser - the Fireworks Gala at the end of 2022.

As a committee we made several donations during 2022:

- Yearly donation to Kio Kio School for general teaching and learning \$10,000
- Donation towards camp/class trip costs across the school \$3,000
- Donation towards sports equipment for Winter Sports Football, Hockey and Netball \$1,000
- Donation towards The Arts School production \$1,000
- Donation towards the new Kio Kio School van \$5,000

#### **Fundraisers**

At our AGM and first meeting we will be discussing new fundraisers for the year. The below are our regular set fundraisers.

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Hot Cross Buns TBC Swimming Sports COPS Swimming Fireworks/Gala	Winter Sports Oxford Pies Mid Winter Party	Cross Country	Ag Day Triathlon Athletics

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 are also putting aside money each year to contribute to a larger fundraising project - to be discussed at our AGM.

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

Kind regards,

Emma Telfer - Current Chairperson

## Kio Kio School - Term 1, 2023

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
	30/1 Auckland Anniversary Day	31/1 KOD - NAktM Kaimahi Only Day	1/2	2/2	3/2	
1	6/2 Waitangi Day	7/2 Term 1 Starts	8/2	9/2	10/2	
2	13/2	14/2	15/2	Bus Monitors Training with Constable Kat	17/2	
3	20/2	21/2	22/2	23/2	24/2 Leadership Announcement	
4	27/2	28/2 GRIP (NAktM Student Leaders)	1/3	2/3 KK Swimming	3/3 Celebration Assembly	
5	6/3 NE Intake 2	7/3 Maunga Day Out	8/3 COPS Swimming	9/3	10/3 Junior Swimming Display <b>TBC</b>	
6	13/3 Yr 7/8 Survivor Camp	14/3 Yr 7/8 Survivor Camp	15/3 Yr 7/8 Survivor Camp	16/3 Science Road Show 2023	17/3 Fireworks Gala	
7 Sun 19/3 Totara/Rimu Camp	20/3 Totara/Rimu Camp	21/3 Totara/Rimu Camp	22/3 Totara/Rimu Camp	23/3 ASB St John in schools Totara/Rimu Camp	24/3 ASB St John in schools	
8	27/3	28/3 Super Smash Cricket Festival Otorohanga Yr 5-8 (4 teams)	29/3 KK Triathlon	30/3	31/3	
9 Book Week	3/4 Book Week Immunisations Year 7/8	4/4 Book Week	5/4 Book Week	6/4 Celebration Assembly Term 1 Ends	7/4 Good Friday	