

## Kia Manawanui

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Te Rā Waldorf School, Te Rāwhiti Kindergarten, Nursery and Playgroups

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Kia ora koutou, dear Parents, Whānau, and Friends,

On Monday our school classes travelled over to the Little Theatre in Lower Hutt to watch a performance by the Aotearoa Eurythmy ensemble, featuring our very own Elien Hoffmans. The performance included stories, poems and beautiful music. The Eurythmists in this ensemble are all accomplished performers who were able to take the children on a journey from serenely beautiful musical (tone) eurythmy to very funny storytelling, and all the registers in between.

The classes travelled by bus. This made the trip so much easier as we didn't need to ask whānau to help with transport. We are grateful to the Fundraising Group who financed the bus hire. The bulk of the funds that this group manages comes from the profits of our annual Harvest Fair, so we extend our "Thank you" to all of you who played your part in the annual fair during your time here. This year's Harvest Fair is approaching very fast, and we look forward to once again experiencing the willing and generous engagement by everyone in our community.

Ehara taku toa I te toa takitahi, engari he toa takatini.

Congratulations to our amazing Class 6 and 7 students who did exceptionally well at yesterday's inter-schools triathlon – see below.

Noho ora mai,

Andrea Sorger

Inter-Schools Triathlon

On Tuesday, most of Class 6 and 7 participated in the Interschool Triathlon event at Waikanae Park. This was a long cycle and run, followed by 7 lengths of the Waikanae Pool.

Our students were outstanding! From Class 6, Noah won the individual boys' race and Katie-Belle won the girls' individual. We also came first in the girls' team event (Grace, Hinemoana and Cassady), as well as taking first and second place in the mixed teams events.

Class 7 were equally strong, with Karsten finishing strongly to take second place in the boys' individual race. Their teams also had strong

performances.

The Te Ra students were very supportive of each other and remembered that participating well is just as important as where you finish.

A big thanks to Awatea, Jo, Ryan, Kaia and Miles for helping out on the day. These events give so much to our students and would not be possible without parents giving their time.

David Nicoll

#### **From The Office**

#### **Water Filters**

The school has responded to various parent requests for water filters several years ago by supplying drinking fountains outside class 2, class 4 and class 7.

Kapiti water is clean, but has both chlorine and fluoride added to it. The filters we have will remove the taste of chlorine which occasionally occurs, but nothing will remove the fluoride except reverse osmosis or evaporative systems. We suggest that if you do not wish your children to consume fluoride, you provide them with water bottles of fluoride free water.

## **Ministry of Education Travel Assistance**

If you live outside of the Kapiti area and don't have a public transport option to get to school, you may be eligible to receive a travel subsidy. Please contact the office if you would like an application form or to find out more detail.

## **Message From The Finance Team**

Thank you to those parents whom have contacted me regarding receiving receipts for their Contributions and Disbursements donations last year. All receipting for the financial year April 2017-March 2018 will take place in April this year, once the full financial year has come to a close.

## **Hot Lunches**

We are still looking for two-three more volunteers who can provide a couple of hours **regularly** on a Wednesday to help with School lunches. Please contact the office if you would like to join our fantastic hot lunch team!

#### **Movin' March**

March is the month to walk, cycle and scoot to school! This is a great opportunity to do your bit to reduce climate change and improve your family's fitness and resilience! See more information about it further on in this newsletter.

#### **Parking and Road Safety**

Council will be patrolling local school areas and issuing infringement tickets as required. Please read the information from KCDC later on in this newsletter.

#### **Winter Sports**

#### **Winter Hockey Registrations - Open**

If your child/ren are Class 3 or older and would like to play 6 aside hockey in a school team this winter (Terms 2 & 3), please complete a Registration Form (class teachers have them from next week) and return it to the school office asap. We will be entering teams into a Kapiti league, all games are held on the Astroturf field at Mazengarb Park in Paraparaumu.

Classes 3-5 will play Wednesdays after school between 4-6pm Classes 6-7 play on Tuesdays after school between 4-6pm.

Our school teams practice together on **Mondays** 3:30-4:30pm. Our first team training will be on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May, the season commences from that week.

Cost is \$60 per player, payable to the school. A \$10 discount is available for each additional registered player from the same family. We will also be asking for approx. \$20 extra per player towards the cost of turf hire for our practices. This cost will be confirmed once we know how many players are registering.

The focus of our school teams is to provide a positive environment for the children to have fun playing a mixed team sport with their friends. All parents will be given a copy of Positive Parents Guidelines and be required to comply with a Code of Conduct from Kapiti Hockey.

## **Hockey Volunteers Needed**

We already have some parents available to coach but we welcome any extras and will need help to manage and assist with our school teams. Please let Maxine know in the school office if you can help in any way.

Please Note...

NB. Kapiti Junior Hockey Club also has a number of teams that play

on Saturday mornings in the Wellington league. Details are on <a href="mailto:www.kapitihockey.org.nz">www.kapitihockey.org.nz</a> or email <a href="mailto:juniors@kapitihockey.org.nz">juniors@kapitihockey.org.nz</a>

#### **Netball Coaches / Helpers Needed**

A big thank you to Ryan McDonald who has offered to co-ordinate our school netball teams this year. Netball registration forms will be offered to the children very soon. If you can help in any way with school Netball this year please contact Ryan or the school office. Games are held at Te Atiawa Courts each Saturday morning for terms 2 and 3. We will send an email out soon with the registration information.

#### Movin' March

## Movin'March - Ready, Steady... Go!

Movin'March is ON! This month it's all about walking and wheeling....Whether it's



once a month or every day, your family is in for some fun AND awesome prizes! Read on:

**Make sure your children get their <u>WOW Passports</u>** stamped or marked and when their card is full they'll go in the draw to win one of six \$300 Avanti vouchers from On Yer Bike.

## Live too far away?

Don't forget using our <u>Park and Stride</u> (or Walking Pou) is a great way for younger ones to walk to school without the big distances and for older children to gain the satisfaction of getting there themselves or with their friends. Our school's Park and Stride spots are at **Matai Road and Leinster Avenue.** (Parents may either need to walk with children or check there is a safe route for older children walking alone or with friends.)

**Students** can also take part in our design a <u>Poster Competition</u> to reflect the benefits of walking and wheeling. The regional winners will receive a **Panasonic Tough Camera**!

Don't forget to **follow us on <u>Facebook</u>** share our <u>memes</u> and check out our parent <u>resources</u>.

Movin' March is organised by Greater Wellington Regional Council and our local council.

## Te Rā Toymakers

#### **Te Rā Toymakers:**

Can you help us please? (The Fair is now only 4 weeks away).

#### The workshop is open 7-9pm on Thursdays.

- \*If you can't make that time or prefer another please ring me to make an alternate arrangement.
- \*If you can work at home in your own time we have several projects and materials you could help with.
- \*Grandparents welcome to help too.
- \*Any wood turners out there?
- \* We are planning to open the workshop over two weekends
  - 10/11 March (this weekend)
  - 24/25 March

Please ring me you are able to come. Thank you. From Paul Denford

Ph 027 246 3065 or 04 589 1652

### Harvest Fair 2018 - 6 Weeks Away!

#### Lemons for the Lemonade Stall at the Fair 2018

Calling all lemons! Can anyone with lemons please, please donate some for the fair? This is for the lemonade stall for the school fair at Kindy. If you able to help with this or if anyone needs a deep freeze to store the juice until then please contact me.

Many thanks

Charlotte

#### **Raffle**

We are still trying to urgently source some new raffle prizes for the fair. We are hoping to get the tickets asap to allow everyone a have a longer to sell them. Do you know somebody who knows somebody? Please let Susan van de Vorstenbosch 021 0222 6026 know if you do.

## **Auction Table**

Thank you to those that have already said yes to giving a gift voucher or product towards our auction table. We'd love to make this table really hard to walk past. Do you make something or do you do something that could be added to this table. We are looking for things for everybody. Please contact Susan van de Vorstenbosch 021 0222 6026.

#### **The Craft Group Needs Your Help For The Fair**

Only a handful of crafting sessions left before this year's Harvest Fair and the craft table is currently looking quite empty! We would love for you to join us for some last-minute crafting to help us fill up the craft stall tables at the fair.

Come along and join us for tea or coffee and a nice crafting experience. Crafty experience not necessary!

Here's is an idea of what we will be working on, and when:

## Crafty Day's To The Fair: What and When

Friday 9 Needle felting - general Pipe cleaner people

In Craft Room, Knit, crochet and own

9-3 projects

**Friday 16** Felt ladies, stitching Knit, crochet and own

In Craft Room, projects

9-3

**Friday 23** Stitching, finishing Knit, crochet and own

In Craft Room, projects

9-3

**Saturday 24 March**In the Hall,
10-4

LITTLE PEOPLE S TABLE
Walnut babies, finger
puppets, shells, mice,
ribbon wands, felt bags,

and more...

Friday 6 April Finishing/pricing

In Craft Room

Also, don't forget you can pick up **craft packs in the office at any time**. These come with instructions and everything you need to do a bit of craft at home and drop it back before the fair. Please feel free to ask us for patterns or materials of other craft projects that interest you more!

For more info, please contact:

**Janine**: 021 0355 288 **Louise**: 027 7265 508

## **Important Message From Kapiti Coast District Council**

#### School Newsletter March 2018

## Kapiti Coast District Council parking around Schools

We are now five weeks another School year and keeping our children safe around schools and getting to and from school is everyone's priority and responsibility.

I have visited several schools and I am concerned about the poor parking practices displayed by some parents, grandparents and caregivers when dropping off and picking up their children and students for before and after school programmes.

The Bus stops, broken yellow lines, car parking spaces, painted on the road and the parking restriction signs, Kiss and Drop Zones are there to help keep our children safe at all times. It does not take much to create a potentially hazardous situation around schools that can endanger the safety of both our children, grandchildren and adults alike.

I am a warranted enforcement officer under the Land Transport Act 1998 and also the Local Government Act 1974 for the issuing of parking infringement notices in contravention of both national road rules and Kapiti Coast District Council bylaws. In addition other Council staff are also warranted and also the Police.

I have enclosed the "Parking Around Schools" flyer (Next Page) that shows the possible fines drivers will incur if they choose to disregard the road rules that are there for everyone's safety.

Simple things like ensuring all car passengers are dropped off at a legal parking space/area and they get out of the car and "Exit on the safe footpath side" away from the passing traffic.

Stopping at any time on broken yellow lines, across properties and business driveways even for seconds and dropping off children in the live traffic lanes are not safe practices. Remember you cannot park within 1 metre of a driveway entrance (this means the back end of your car not the wheels)

Parents who stop on the school patrolled or non-patrolled pedestrian crossings to allow their own children to walk to the crossing and to cross is not safe practice as your children are focused on you and not on any motor vehicles coming the other way or their surroundings.

Pulling into driveways close to the school entrances to drop off your kids

similarly creates an additional hazard especially when motor vehicles are reversing out of driveways. This is not safe even with modern cars and reversing camera's children still get run over. (See Safe Kids Aotearoa next page)

Any child or adult injured is one too many!

Bruce Johnston

Transport Safety Coordinator

Kapiti Coast District Council



When you park your car, make sure you're in a legal parking space and stick to the designated time limit, so everyone has a fair chance at getting a park. If you choose to stop or park illegally you are liable for the following fines: \$60 Stopped/parked on broken yellow lines ....... Stopped/parked on or within 6 metres of \$60 a pedestrian crossing..... \$40 Stopped/parked on the footpath..... Stopped/parked over or within 1 metre \$40 of a vehicle entrance ..... Parked within 500mm of a fire hydrant with \$40 no one in a car legally capable of moving it ..... Stopped or parked closer than 6 metres to a bus stop \$40 marked only by a sign or on a marked bus stop....... \$60 Double parked..... Any stopping or parking that is inconsiderate \$60 to other road users, inclusive of pedestrians... Stopped or parked in or within 6 metres \$60 of an intersection..... Parked on roadside grass area, shrubs or \$40 flower beds... 0800 486 486 kapiticoast.govt.nz

http://www.safekids.nz/About-Us/safekids-aotearoa

## **Community Notices and Advertising**

These notices do not reflect the opinions of the editors.

#### Walking School Bus

From the Esplanade to Poplar Avenue shops, continuing down Poplar to school/kindy for an 8:45ish arrival.

Please txt Larissa 027 587 4320 if you would like to join it!

#### **After-School Carer Wanted!**

A lovely, reliable person is wanted for afterschool care Monday and Wednesday from 2:30 - 6pm for 4 children. We live 10 mins from Te Ra, so the person will need their own car (will reimburse gas) or care at their own home. Happy to coordinate with other families. Please contact Rebecca 0221514198 / rkstrong@gmail.com

#### **SIBMAX Outdoor Construction**

For all your outdoor construction needs. Decking, fences, retaining Walls and more...

Call Max for you free quote today.

Ph 021 170 5242 or email sibmax.ltd@gmail.com

#### **Guinea Pigs**

2 cute young girl guinea pigs, free to a good home. Cage included. Txt Larissa 027 5874320.

## **Celebrate Neighbours Day 24-25 March**

Together we can build happier, stronger communities. Create a fun occasion with your neighbours...

Register by 16 March at <a href="www.kapiticoast.govt.nz/neighboursday">www.kapiticoast.govt.nz/neighboursday</a> and KCDC will help you out with ideas and a goodie pack.

## All Fired Up! Gearjammers Hot Rod and Muscle Club Car Show

At Kapiti School on March 18<sup>th</sup> from 10am. See hot rods, classic, custom and muscle cars. Lots of fun to be had, lots of stalls and a Fire Service display. Entry by koha.

Over 100 cars will cruise through Kapiti, leaving Southwards at Museum at 9:30am, via Manly St, Poplar Ave, past Raumati South Shops, Matai Road, Menin Rd, Hillcrest Rd..., then up to Kapiti School.

## **Pimp My Jacket Competition**

Get out the paintbrush, needle and cotton, found objects and Upcycle a Jacket. Cash prizes of \$500 min in each category.

For an entry form and more information email <a href="mailto:ruth@mix.org.nz">ruth@mix.org.nz</a> Facebook / MIX inc / Pimp My Jacket

#### **Waikanae Football Club**

Junior Registrations now open for 4-14 year olds

Registrations close 9 March 2018 at 5pm - registrations after that time cannot be guaranteed a place in teams - get in ASAP to avoid disappointment.

<u>waikanaefootball.com</u> or <u>facebook.com/waikanaeafc</u> for registration link email Fiona at <u>wfa.jnr@gmail.com</u> with any questions or problems with registering.

#### Seeking donations for ex Te Rā family after house fire.

Many of you will have heard about the catastrophic house fire in Paekakariki a few weeks back. It was the family home of a Te Rā family - with an older son who has finished his journey at Te Rā, and a three year old at home. Fortunately no-one was hurt in the fire, but the home and all their belongings were destroyed.

A Givealittle page has been set up by a neighbour of the family in Paekakariki - I'm sure the family would hugely appreciate any support that we can offer them as their Te Rā Whanau at this time. Please follow this link if you are able to make a contribution to their fund:

https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/paekakariki-house-fire

#### **Wellington Curtain Bank**

Wellington Curtain Bank are now open for the season, offering free lined curtains to low-income homes.

https://sustaintrust.org.nz/pages/free-curtains

## **Lindale Village Friday Night Market**

Don't miss out on the first Lindale Night Market. 5-9pm Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March. Bouncy castle, food trucks, fresh produce, hand-crafted goods and more!

## Raising Resilient Children Workshop Series

15<sup>th</sup> March, 12<sup>th</sup> April, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 7<sup>th</sup> June 2018. 9:30am-12:30pm Venue is in Johnsonville. Cost for the 4 workshops is \$200 + GST or \$50 per workshop.

#### **Course includes:**

- Understanding the parenting role when facing difficult behaviour
- Understanding the impact of doing nothing
- Practical and fun learning with tools to help you.

## **Wanted**

My family has been involved in settling several lovely Syrian families into Wellington over the past couple of years. We have been lucky enough to have them all (and some extras) become part of our family

and we still help out them out in settling more and more into life here as new Kiwis and assisting with challenges they face here. One of our families has recently been surprised to find out they are having a baby! They have two teenagers and a 10 year old already so are long past the baby phase. They live very modestly and have limited means so I would like to help source some bigger items for them. Does anyone have a decent cot or pushchair (that can accommodate a newborn) that they'd be willing to gift to this family? If you can help, please talk with Charlotte - Ph 021 987 925

## **Diary of Dates**

Sat and Sun 10/11 March Te Rā Workshop Open this weekend -

making items for fair

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> March Class 3 -6, Rippa Rugby fun sessions at

school with visitor Ryan from HKRFU.

Wed 14th & Thurs 15th March Class 7 Sailing

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March Weetbix Tryathlon – Class 6 Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March Ngahuru Festival - Paekakariki

Kindergarten Group

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March Community Working Bee - 2 Sessions

9:00am - 1:00pm, 12:00 - 4:00pm (Ground tidy, craft making and wood

toy-making for the fair)

Sat and Sun 24/25 March Te Rā Workshop Open- making items

for fair

Mon and Tues 26/27 March Class 6 Camp – To be confirmed

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March Wananga Hapori 7:00 – 8:30pm

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March Classes 3-7 into Wellington

NZ Symphony Orchestra Concert

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March Good Friday – No School or Kindy Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Easter Monday – No School or Kindy

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April Easter Tuesday - No School or Kindy

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April Ngahuru Festival – Raumati

Kindergarten Groups from 12 noon

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April Harvest Fair Set-up Day

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April Harvest Fair

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April Teacher Development Day – No School

or Kindergarten

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April Interschool Mountain Biking

-Classes 6 & 7 (PPD Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April)

## Waldorf Education on the Kapiti Coast

- How can we help young people develop a lifelong enthusiasm for learning and work?
- How can the way in which children are educated foster a healthy self-awareness? How can education help them understand the
- needs of peoples of all cultures and the needs of the environment?

All prospective school and kindergarten parents are also warmly invited to our

## Information Afternoon 2:30pm

Monday 30 April, 2018

# Information Evening 7:00pm

Tuesday 1 May, 2018

at Te Rā Waldorf School, 89 Poplar Ave, Raumati South There will be plenty of opportunity for questions. You can also contact the office for an information pack.

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