

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 9th August 2022

Panui a te Tumuaki

Kia ora koutou,

We are already into Week 3 and this term is flying by so fast. We have already had our school powhiri, Mr Clive Hamill (Principal of Melville High School) visiting our Yr 8 students, Tu Pono kapa haka noho marae, Keeping Ourselves Safe programme and just this week we have had parent/teacher interviews.



Farewell of Jazz Williams

Our community was shocked to hear the news of our dear friend Jazz Williams (a past student of our kura) pass away suddenly on Sunday the 24th of July. Jazz attended Koromatua school from 2013-2020. He graduated as a Year 8 and went on to attend Melville High School. He was in Yr 10 this year. Jazz was a very popular classmate. His gentle ways and witty sense of humour drew many people to him, adults and children alike. He was an awesome chess player and loved to play video games. Despite Jazz's muscular disease it didn't stop him from trying new things. He especially loved attending camps at Ngaruawahia and Raglan. Jazz's older sister Lyric attended Koromatua, as well as Jazz's aunties and uncles. His younger sister Harmony attends our kura and is in Room 1 with Matua Freddy. Jazz's Yr 8 teacher was Matua Freddy.

On Thursday, Matua Tahi took his class and some of our kaiako to visit Jazz where he lay at his grandparents home. We sang, laughed and talked about our special memories of Jazz. It was lovely to spend time with Jazz's dad, his sisters, his grandparents and his aunties and uncles. I know that our tamariki and kaiako who attended will hold that memory in their hearts for a long time.

On Friday, Matua Freddy and his class attended Jazz's funeral service and it was wonderful to see so many of our past Koromatua students coming to pay their respects to their dear friend and peer. As Jazz was farewelled, one of our past students, Israel Smith (a Yr 12 leader at Fraser High School) led the haka 'Tika Tonu' with Jazz's friends following. It was an emotional moment and the sound of the haka could be heard within the distance.

We want to express our aroha to the Williams whanau at this time.

Moe mai, moe mai, moe ra ta tatou tama, mokopuna, tungane me hoa.

Arohanui

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend these past couple of days. We appreciate your efforts to korero with your child's kaiako about their report and the next steps for this term. If you weren't able to make it these past 2 days then please contact your child's kaiako and make another day/time. Matua Freddy and Whaea Tish are on sick leave so they will organise days/times to meet with their parents at a later date.

It is gearing up to be another exciting term of learning, connecting, playing, laughing and participating in different experiences. We hope you are able to join us in some of our events.

Noho ora mai,

KOROMATUA BOARD

KOROMATUA SCHOOL BOARD

At the close of nominations on Wed 3 August, as the number of valid nominations were equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, the following parents and staff are duly elected:

Cassidy, Stuart

Ardern, Nakita

Daniels, Keao

Walmsley, Michael

DeCaires, Kimo

Jensen, Fenella (Staff)

Congratulations to our board members. Special thanks to Kimo DeCaires who has just joined our board whanau. We appreciate your willingness to serve our community. To our members who have put their hands up again to serve, we thank you all very much. You have served our kura with aroha and manaakitanga. I am very excited and look forward to continuing to work with you.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Carl Armstrong who has done an excellent job of serving on our school board for the past 3 years. Carl and his wife Becky have lived in the Temple View community for over 6 years.

Carl has extensive experience as he has twice served previously on Boards of Trustees, both at primary schools. Carl served with our previous principal, Nigel Farthing and now myself. I especially appreciate the great knowledge and expertise Carl has in finance and property. Two areas that I have had to learn a great deal about. However Carl's support has been awesome! We will miss Carl on the board, but we wish him all the very best for his next endeavours.

Staff Appointments

JEWEL SPAIN

We are very pleased to announce the appointment of Jewel Spain to a full-time, permanent teaching position. Whaea Jewel will teach the Year 4&5 students in Room 12. She will take up her new position on Wednesday the 10th of August.

Whaea Jewel is currently teaching Yr 2 students in Room 7 which she has done since the beginning of the year. Whaea Jewel has done a fantastic job, especially as this is her first year of teaching.

We wish Whaea Jewel all the very best in her new position and look forward to her being part of our staff permanently.

Nga mihinui mo to mahi nui, me to mahi rawe!

KELLY BUTTERS

With Whaea Jewel's new appointment in Room 12 we have been successful in gaining Whaea Kelly Butters again to teach in Room 7. However Whaea Kelly will take up this fixed term position on Monday 22nd of August as she is currently teaching at another kura.

We look forward to Whaea Kelly joining our Koromatua whanau again.

Nau mai hoki mai ki to tatou kura e te kaiako miiharo!

WHAEA DESI

Whaea Desi will teach Room 7 from Wednesday 10th of August to Friday 19th of August.

Whaea Desi has been team teaching with Whaea Jewel this year as she has had Beginning Teacher release each week, so the tamariki are very familiar with Whaea Desi.

Thank you Whaea Desi for showing us aroha and manaakitanga as we needed you to teach our tamariki in this time frame.

Maururu koe to matou kaiako pai rawe!

Staff Farewells

these past 2 weeks. The tamariki absolutely love her and so do their parents. Thank you very much for your aroha and manaaki to our Rm 12 students. They have certainly benefitted from her expectations of them to do their very best and strive for excellence in their learning goals and to show our school values.

Whaea Belinda will teach in Rm 12 every Wednesday so Whaea Jewel can have release time as a beginning teacher. Whaea Belinda already has many days booked to relieve in classes, from tomorrow onwards. We are so grateful to still have her at our kura :)

He mihi nui ki a koe, mo to mahi nui me o tatou akonga me to whakapau kaha ki te whakaako ia raatou.

This Week's Schedule

Monday 8th - Friday 12th August

Tuesday 9th August

Technology Y7&8 at Peachgrove Intermediate

Parent-Teacher Interviews

3:30-8:00pm

Wednesday 10th August

Student Council 2:15pm

Keeping Ourselves Safe lessons delivered by Officer Tom Pearse.

Tu Pono -One day waananga

Thursday 11th August

New Entrant school visits

Melville Open Day for Yr 8 - 9:30am

Keeping Ourselves Safe lessons delivered by Officer Tom Pearse.

LW Cross Country Trials 1:35pm (7yrs and over)

Friday 12th August

School Assembly 2:15pm

Look What We're Up To! 🥳



Phoebe horse riding

Phoebe is having her turn on the horse.



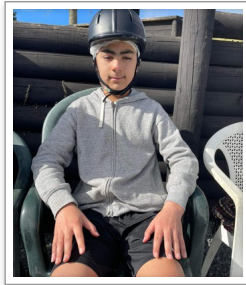
Phoebe Green

Phoebe is in deep thought as she waits for her horse ride.



Halo Tairua

Halo is happily waiting for her horse ride.



Chase Keung

Chase is waiting patiently for his turn.



Chase horse riding

Chase is having his turn on the horse.



Chase and Halo

Chase and Halo are both having their turns on the horses.

MY KINDO

EASIEST WAY TO PAY FOR ANYTHING AT SCHOOL

We are very excited to introduce our new ONLINE SCHOOL SHOP!! Going live Tuesday 9 August!!

We'll be open 24/7 so you can make payments on your personal accounts, pay for camp, sports and support fundraisers– all when it suits you!

New users can click on the link below to set up your family myKindo account.

<https://bit.ly/3tPgnUU>

Kapa haka fundraising

Pizza Friday

Friday 12 Aug



\$4 for a slice pizza, hot chips and a cup of cordial

\$2.50 extra slice of pizza

Flavours: Beef & Onion, Ham & cheese, Cheesy garlic

Bring your money to the hall before school
Monday 8/8 – Thursday 11/8 or pay directly into
38-9019-0427785-04 Koromatua kapa haka fundraising with your name, room and flavour

**Pick up Friday lunchtime 12/8
from the hall kitchen**

TE AROHA

Tainui Primary Schools Kapa Haka Regionals

This year is a momentous year for Koromatua School. We have introduced 4 bilingual classes and we have decided to enter the Tainui Primary Schools Kapa Haka Regionals competition in November. This is the first time that our kapa haka roopu are standing at a competition of this magnitude for the school and I am so proud. English medium schools typically do not enter these competitions lightly. In addition to this, we have our second kapa haka group preparing to perform at Te Mangakotukutuku Cultural Unity Festival which is happening at Melville High School on the last day of the term. Every student in the bilingual unit are performing in either of the two groups and all had the opportunity to audition for the competitive group.

Tu Pono Kapa Haka Noho Marae

Our Tu Pono Kapa haka roopu spent 2 days and a night at Te Papa o Rotu marae in Whatawhata practising their items for the upcoming Regionals Kapa Haka competition. It is a lot of hard work and the roopu are going hard. We would like to thank our kaiako for their hard mahi and our awesome parents who cooked kai and ran activities for the roopu while they stayed at the marae. I heard one of our tamariki say 'This was the best time ever!' That's music to my taringa :)

We have another 2 more noho marae planned for this term, which is the 23rd and 24th of August and the 13th and 14th of September.

Fundraising

Whaea Arlette Brown (Matua Tahī's wife) is leading some fundraising events to subsidise the cost of a T-shirt for Te Aroha kapa haka roopu and a Hoodie for Tuu Pono kapa haka roopu. The T-shirt and hoodie are taonga for the students, or a piece of memorabilia that will remind the students from both groups about this inaugural experience, and their hard work.

The fundraising events are as follows:

Pizza Day - Friday 12th August

Movie Night - Monday 22nd August

Disco - Friday 2nd September

Sausage Sizzle - Friday 16th September

Pie Day - Friday 23rd September

Details for each event will be confirmed.

Friday's pizza day is on the poster above. A very big mihi to those whanau who have supported this kaupapa already by ordering the kai.

TERM 3 CALENDAR EVENTS

Week 4

Tuesday 16th August

Yr 7&8 at Peachgrove for Technology

Thursday 18th August

New Entrant School Visits 9:00-10:30am

Week 5

Tuesday 23rd August

Yr 7&8 at Peachgrove for Technology

Tuesday 23rd - Wednesday 24th August

Tu Pono Kapa Haka noho at Te Papa o Rotu marae

Thursday 25th August

School Speech Finals

Friday 26th August

STAFF ONLY DAY - Students do not come to school

Week 6

Monday 29th August

Tu Pono and Te Aroha one day waananga

Tuesday 30th August

Yr 7&8 at Peachgrove for Technology

Thursday 1st September

Whole School FUN run

11:00-12:30pm

Friday 2nd September

Postponement day for the School FUN run.

School Assembly 2:15pm

Week 7

Monday 5th - Friday 9th September

Zespri AIMS Games 2022 in Tauranga

This is an international tournament for all Yr 7&8 students. We have one girls basketball team, one boys rugby 7's team and a golfer competing at the AIMS Games this year.

Tuesday 6th September

NO Technology at Peachgrove

Week 8 - Te Wiki o Te Reo Maaori

Monday 12th - Friday 16th September

Waikato Full Primary School Speech Semi-Finals 6:30pm (Venue to be confirmed).

Speech competition for our Yr 7&8 students who came 1st at our school speech finals.

Tuesday 13th September

Yr 7&8 at Peachgrove for Technology

Tuesday 13th - Wednesday 14th September

Tu Pono Kapa Haka noho at Te Papa o Rotu marae

Friday 16th September

School Assembly 2:15pm - a celebration of Te Wiki o Te Reo Maaori

Week 9

Tuesday 20th September

Yr 7&8 at Peachgrove for Technology

Wednesday 21st September

Waikato Full Primary School Speech Finals 6:30pm at Ohaupo School

Speech competition for Yr 7&8 students who have been successful at the WFPS Speech Semi-Finals.

Week 10

Monday 26th September

Guest speaker talking to Tuakana and Teina syndicates about the Olympics.

Letter Hapa speech competition 2023 at Oranga School

This event is for the Yr 5-8 students who came 1st in their year group at the school speech finals.

Thursday 29th September

Staff/Parents vs Student Council in netball

School Assembly 2:15pm - Final one for Term 3

Friday 30th September

Mangakootukutuku Cultural Unity Festival

Melville High School 9:00-2:00pm

Our very own Te Aroha kapa haka roopu are performing at this event. How exciting for our tamariki to perform and be part of the very first cultural festival that our community of schools have ever had. We are looking forward to celebrating our cultures, our tamariki and our community.

We are taking our whole school to this community event. More details will come later, but please mark this date on your calendars whaanau. There will be kai stalls from the Hamilton Night Markets, Radio Tainui, Fun activities for the tamariki, cultural performances and. an opportunity to be together.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Kia ora e te whanau,

This year is our school production and usually it is held in Term 3. However this school event will now be in **Term 4 Week 1**.

Dates for the performances will be:

Wednesday 19th October - Matinee show 11:00am

Thursday 20th October - Evening show 6:30pm

Friday 21st October - Evening Show 6:30pm

All performances will be in our school hall. There will be ticket sales. However more details will come.



Ko wai maatou? Who are we?

Facebook

We are a full primary school from Years 1 - 8 with 6 mainstream (Auraki) classes and 4 Bilingual (Reorua) classes. There are currently 220 students on our school roll.

We have a team of 6 Kaimahi or Teacher Aides, a Learning Support Coordinator and a SENCO/ORS leader. We have 11 teaching staff, 1 caretaker, 1 Administration officer and 1 Finance officer.

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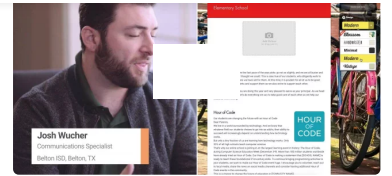
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