

**KAPAKAPANUI SCHOOL**  
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Kia ora parents, children and whānau,

### **Alert Level 2**

Like me I'm sure you all breathed a big sigh of relief on Friday as PM Jacinda Adern read out the details that 'we' would be staying in alert Level 2 for now. The staff sweepstake was split and of course there were rumours circulating all over from 'people in the know' about what was going to happen-most of it didn't of course!

Hats off to everyone in Auckland who are in Alert Level 3 and unable to exercise the same freedoms as us in the rest of the country. There was nice energy around the Kapiti Coast on the weekend and this prevailed at school this week. We are all appreciative of the fact that we can pretty much get on with things for the time being.

It is pleasing to see how New Zealanders are responding to this latest outbreak by getting tested if unwell and staying home.

While most of us are familiar with requirements at Alert Level 2, we will continue to emphasise the importance of:

- Good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette
- Staying away if sick
- Keeping the appropriate physical distance from others
- Cleaning and disinfecting our high touch surfaces daily
- Using the Covid app or signing the contract tracking books at our gate as well as using hand sanitiser.

We know all these things will help to keep our community as safe as possible. Because of these measures being in place, your child does not need to wear a face covering while at school.

Thank you for your continued support for all we are doing to keep our community safe.

### **School Bands-Pop up Concert**

Our bands performed yesterday at lunchtime and rocked away in the sunshine pumping out some classic songs from legendary bands-Pink Floyd, Muse, Joan Jett, Green Day and Fleetwood Mac. We're crossing fingers that the 'battle of the bands' events will be on next term.

**Tuesday afternoon Futsal** has been cancelled while we are in Level 2. This will be reviewed when we return to Level 1.

**Kapakapanui School Bookweek 2020** is happening next week. This is when we celebrate all things to do with books and reading with an 'Underwater' theme in the library. There will be competitions, authors visiting and a "dress up as your favourite book character" day. This will be held on Tuesday 25th August and children are encouraged to make/create their costumes without a whole lot of expense



### Ellie Chew-BMX Champ

We were thrilled to host former Kapakapanui student and champion BMX Freestyle champion **Ellie Chew** last week at school and Waikanae Park. Ellie demonstrated her amazing skills including backflips and other gnarly tricks, as well as answering questions from our kids and coming back to school to sign autographs, mix and mingle. It was an awesome visit from an inspiring, well grounded, open and approachable professional athlete. Ellie has followed her passion of riding bikes and put many hours in practising and crafting her skills. Thanks Ellie for coming and thanks Miss Reeves Smith for arranging the visit!



### Kapakapanui v Waikanae Annual Football Clash

This exciting event is on tomorrow at school. Kick off for the Year 5 & 6 match is at 10:00 and 11:15 for Years 7 & 8. Good luck teams-kia kaha Kapakapanui!!!!

### Policy Reviews

Our latest policy to be reviewed is 'Learning Support'. [Log onto Schooldocs](#) search for Kapakapanui School and use **kapanui** as the username and password. You can provide feedback by clicking on the red icon at the top right of the page.

**Whakatauki/Proverb**-the perfect whakatauki for the current circumstances. Let's all do the right thing, work together and we'll get through Covid19 and back to normal ASAP.

« ma whero, ma pango ka oti te mahi. »

with your share and my share the work will be done.

## **Ukulele Lunchtime**

Ukulele tuition will be available every Thursday lunchtime for year 3 up. **Wendy Pearson** will take the children for 30 minutes on a Thursday after lunch eating at 1pm. There are ukuleles for borrowing which will have a \$30 bond if your child needs a ukulele. At this stage there will just be the one group so that means some children will already know some chords and will help others as we learn. Practice will be required to make sure we keep moving forward about 5-10 minutes per day would be great. This is a fun half hour a week and we try to keep it within the children's ability.

## **Last thoughts....**

- Go the Pulse-the big final is on Sunday!!!!
- Is spring joining us early this year or is it just a trick?

## **Coming up this term**

- Book Week 24<sup>th</sup> August
- Book Character Dress Up Day 25 August
- Regional Cross Country 8<sup>th</sup> September
- Wig Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September (money raised will go to the Child Cancer Foundation)
- School Photos 9<sup>th</sup> and 10 September
- Senior Winter Tournament Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September pp 18<sup>th</sup> September.

## **Parking**

Please obey the road rules when parking around the school. There are a number of car registrations recorded as continually parking on yellow lines etc. A Council Traffic Warden will be outside school mornings and afternoons and will be issuing tickets.

## **PMP**

Now that the hall is available our very popular Perceptual Motor Programme has started up at school again. So far we have been running floor sessions to teach the children the skills they will need for the equipment sessions which will start on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September. PMP is a vital part of our children's learning, helping them with body awareness, balance, hand/eye co-ordination, fitness, fine motor skills, rhythm and language concepts in a fun and active way. The more adult help we can get with the programme the more the children will get out of it. If you, or someone you know, can spare a couple of hours per week please consider helping at the equipment sessions. We are seeking help at PMP on Tuesdays from 9 – 11am. Please contact **Carol McCaffrey** (teacher aide) via the office or your child's class teacher. As a helper you too will have fun and find it an interesting insight into a child's life at school. There will be an information/training session on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August at 9am in the staff room. The first equipment session requiring parent help will be on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September.

## **KINDO**

A reminder that school lunches are available to order before 9am Monday and Friday. Can you please check your KINDO balances to ensure school payments are up to date? Any queries see the office staff.

## **Community News**

### **Raising Achievement - Free Parent Webinar**

Monday 24 August at 7.30pm. The webinar will cover:

- Understanding your child as a learner
- Understanding learning difficulties
- Specialist referrals
- Supporting at risk learners
- Literacy and supporting children with home learning
  - Tutor reading, basic spelling activities
- Next steps for those who want more.

You can register by emailing [admin@raisingachievement.co.nz](mailto:admin@raisingachievement.co.nz)

### **Father's Day Pop-in portrait**

\$50 a pop and your photo is included. Held at Emma Monaghan Photography's studio in Waikanae on 5 September 10am-1pm. Add ons are available. For more info & to book go to <https://popinphotos.com/book/fathers-day/waikanae>

### **Elections 2020 Public Meetings Otaki Electorate**

Wednesday 26 August Ocean Road Community Centre, Paraparaumu

Tuesday 1 September Baptist Church Hall, Te Moana Road, Waikanae

Thursday 3 September Rotary Hall, 25 Aotaki Street, Otaki

All meetings will run from 10.00am to 12.00 noon.

### **ON SITE Before & After School Care @ Kapakapanui School – Fun Zone Enrolments are now open for 2020!**

In the School Hall and open till 7pm! Our fun, safe and friendly 'on-site' After School Care Programme has casual and permanent spots available for Kapakapanui School students for 2020! Now even easier to enrol and book ONLINE! Check us out online [www.funzone.co.nz/after-school-care](http://www.funzone.co.nz/after-school-care) or contact our friendly Fun Zone Enrolment Team. Alternatively pop into the School Hall from 3pm for an enrolment form. \*OSCAR Approved – Childcare Subsidies apply\*

### **YOGA Waikanae**

7:30pm Mondays and Wednesdays. Beginner and Intermediate. Relieve Tension: Improve Muscle Tone: Relaxation Phone/Text: 021 641 123 for more information.