

# KIA MANAWANUI

Te Rāwhiti & Te Rā Pānui - 26 October 2021

## REMINDERS:

**Friday: early finish 12.30pm \*\*\* Saturday: Open Day 10-2pm**

**Sunsmart clothing for the children in Term 4 - sunhats please**



## CO-PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE

**Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou e te whānau whānui,  
dear parents, families, and friends.**

With the mix of sun and rain the spring weather is having a bit of fun with us all! It's wonderful to see children of all ages enjoying the warmer temperatures as we all eagerly anticipate the promise of the relaxing days of summer.

Have you noticed the rainbow of javelins in the photo? Last Friday afternoon Class 5 "athletes" returned from their Greek Olympics camp at El Rancho - tired but extremely pleased with themselves! Check out the snapshots in this newsletter - clear evidence that the months of practice really paid off!



There's more going on in all corners of Te Rāwhiti and Te Rā. In the kindergarten I observed a handful of children busy tracking slaters and ants, carefully creating small 'landscapes' for the little critters. At school, rehearsals for class plays are in full swing for Classes 2 and 7, and Class 3 is just beginning with drama practices. Busy times for busy children and their teachers!

### Open Day

This coming Saturday, we look forward to welcoming you to our Open Day. Kindergarten and school finishes early on Friday to allow teachers to set up the rooms. Our senior orchestra will perform outdoors at 11.30. Students who play in the orchestra need to be at school by 11am.

### A precious reminder ...

Many of you will remember kōkā Rose Pere, who visited our community some years back. Rongo shared with us his memory of kōkā Rose's guidance about protecting ourselves and our communities from the energy of division, which she called the Tiraumoko.



In times like these, she would remind us of our common humanity and divine nature. **He whānau kotahi tātou** (we are one family). **He rangatira tāua te tangata ki te nuku o te whenua, ki te nuku o te ao** (we are esteemed beings, the living breath of the Central Sun, the Divine Spark, from this land and indeed the whole world).

Arohanui nā

*Kerstin & David*

## From all of us: thank you for your support!

The Te Rā School team, together with our office, would like to thank our community for their help with us managing compliance with the Alert Level 2 requirements.



We know that many of our school parents miss the opportunity to informally touch base with teachers before or after school - sometimes it's nice to just say Hi. Right now, we are getting used to a bit less contact, and for most of us this works okay. But when it is important for you to "have a quick word", please contact teachers via email or phone, and make a time to catch up out of school hours. Also, class whānau hui will be scheduled this term, so check the Diary of Dates below, or check with your child's class teacher.

Keeping the "foot traffic" out of the office completely is rarely possible, but even reducing the numbers of people coming through has helped. We do not enforce wearing of face masks for members of the public (unless this becomes mandatory) but we do encourage this when you are entering buildings or rooms when a lot of people are present that are not members of your usual circle of family and friends, for example at our Open Day.

**\*\*\* Class 5 Olympics \*\*\***





For four days, our Te Rā Class 5 together with their peers from Raphael House transformed into citizens of Athens, Crete, Argos, Corinth and Thebes. This competition in the ancient disciplines is one of the highlights of the world history curriculum in Class 5. This year, Zeus himself (aka Dan McClellan) called the athletes to speak their oath.

**Disciplines:**

**discus, javelin, wrestling, style running, long jump and marathon.**



**Above: Zeus' welcome --- Below: Te Rā's Opening Performance**





**Javelin**



**Javelin**



**Long Jump**

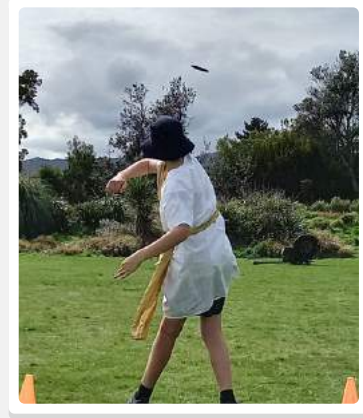




**Wrestling**



**Discus**



**Discus**

## Reminders

### Absences

Absentees can be notified to the office via School Apps or by leaving a message on the school absentee line. You can also text absences to the school cellphone (021) 295 8618. We ask that absences are notified before 9.00 am every morning.

The Ministry of Education requires us to code absences, so when you are advising that your child is absent, we ask that you provide us with the reason for the absence.

### Dates

Remember to check the diary of dates at the bottom of this newsletter.

## Class 7 Camp Fundraising Events

**Bake Sale - Friday, October 29th** (this Friday) at 12.30pm \$1/\$2/\$3 options plus gluten free

**Hot Lunch - Wednesday, November 3rd** (single option of Soup and Buns) \$3.50/\$4.50 with gluten free bread

*(Pre-book on Kindo by Tuesday, November 2nd) - this option will be loaded to Kindo tomorrow.*

**Yoga Class with Bonnie - Sunday, November 21st time TBC** (beginner and Ashtanga classes with Bliss Balls and Chai tea post practice; Location: Te Ra School Hall)

## ----- COMMUNITY NOTICES & ADVERTISING -----

These notices may not reflect the opinions of kindergarten & school

### For Sale

**Campervan** (Toyota Hiace), 1997, Diesel, 289,000 km, roof rack with awning, tow bar, current WOF, self-contained certificate good till 2024, very tidy with kitchenette, very comfortable memory foam mattress (double), well loved but we are up-sizing! Home on wheels! NOW REDUCED TO \$14,000.

**Thule Toddler's bike seat** (attached to handlebar) almost new. \$170

If interested contact Jutta and Mark at 02040912063 or 04 299 1136

### **Hoop Club Kapiti – Junior Basketball Coaching Programme – Term 4 2021**

Sunday 31 October to Sunday 12 December 2021

Paraparaumu College Community Sportshall, Mazengarb Road, Paraparaumu

9.30 to 10.30am 5 to 7 year olds

10.30 to 11.30am 8 to 10 year olds

11.30 to 12.30pm 11 to 17 year olds

ALL NEW PLAYERS MOST WELCOME

Contact – Angelo Robinson 04 9040142 or [contact@hoopclubkapiti.nz](mailto:contact@hoopclubkapiti.nz)

### **Safe Cycling**

Kia ora Te Ra Community,

I am very involved with the petition "Protecting Tamariki on Poplar Avenue: Cars Stand Back!" and wanted to see if you could help by adding your name.

Our goal is to reach 1000 signatures to finally effect change (and for me, this is about advocating for cycling more broadly). You can read more and sign the petition here:

<https://chng.it/C4XSCrt>

For this important cause I even agreed to extreme measures:

<https://www.stuff.co.nz/environment/climate-news/126581956/kpiti-midwife-who-cycles-to-births-aims-to-deliver-on-cycling-campaign-for-safer-street-crossing>

I will present the petition to Kapiti Council alongside Paul Callister and the Kapiti Cycling Network in November. We are working on a wider strategic plan for cycling, including lobbying for more safe crossings (including a much needed pedestrian crossing for Te Ra students to the car park!).



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**PAEKAKARIKI**  
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SURF LIFEGUARDS

**NIPPER OPEN DAY**  
**SUNDAY 31 OCTOBER 1.45PM**

Come along and take part in a fun nippers session at Paekakariki beach to kick off the junior surf season. 7 - 13 years old all welcome. For more info contact [psnippers@gmail.com](mailto:psnippers@gmail.com)

# TERM DATES 2022

## Term 1 2022

Wed 2 Feb - First Day Term 1 School

Thurs 3 Feb - First Day Term 1 Kindergartens

Mon 7 Feb - Waitangi Day

7 & 8 March - School Teacher PLD days (school closed for students)

Sat 2 April - Harvest Fair Setup Day

Sunday 3 April - Harvest Fair

Thurs 14 April - Last Day Term 1

## Term 2 2022

Mon 2 May - First Day Term 2

Mon 6 June - Queens BD

Tues 7 June - School Teacher PLD day (school closed for students)

Frid 8 July - Last Day Term 2

## Term 3 2022

Mon 25 July - First Day Term 3

Mon 29 Aug - School Teacher PLD day (school closed for students)

Sat 17 Sept - Open Day

Fri 30 Sept - Last Day Term 3

## Term 4 2022

Mon 17 Oct - First Day Term 4

Mon 24 Oct - Labour Day

Tues 13 Dec - Last Day Term 4 Kindergartens

Wed 14 Dec - Last Day Term 4 School

# DIARY OF DATES 2021

## **Friday 29-Oct**

School and Kindergartens **Early Finish 12:30pm** (for teachers to prepare for Open Day)

**Class 7 Fundraiser Bake Sale - Friday** at 12.30pm \$1/\$2/\$3 options plus gluten free

## **Saturday 30-Oct**

**\*\*\*Open Day\*\*\* Bring Your Whānau!!! 10am - 2pm**

## **Tuesday 2-Nov**

Information Session For New Whānau 2:30pm

Class 7 Parent Evening 7pm

## **Wednesday 3-Nov**

Class 7 Fundraiser Hot Lunch

(single option of Soup and Buns) \$3.50/\$4.50 with gluten free bread

*(Pre-book on Kindo by Tuesday, November 2nd)*

## **Friday 12-Nov**

Kapa Haka Fundraising Evening. Now at Te Rā School

**Wednesday 17-Nov**

Class 7 Play for School 10:00am

Class 7 Play for Community, 6:00pm in School Hall

**Thursday 18-Nov**

Class 5 and hockey Photo 2pm

Class 7 Play for School 10:00am

Class 7 Play for Community, 6:00pm in School Hall

**Friday 19-Nov**

Class 7 Play for Community, 6:00pm in School Hall

**Sunday, 21-Nov TimeTBC**

Class 7 Fundraiser - Yoga Class with Bonnie in the School Hall

(beginner and Ashtanga classes with Bliss Balls and Chai tea post practice; Location: Te Ra School Hall)

**Monday 22-Nov & Tuesday 23-Nov (2 days)**

**School Teacher Development Days\* No School Classes**

**Monday 22-Nov (only 1 day)**

**Kindergarten Teacher Development Day\* No Kindergarten Classes**

**Saturday 27-Nov**

Advent Wreath-Making Time TBC

**Monday 29-Nov**

Raumati Kindergarten Groups Advent Festival

**Tuesday 7-Dec**

Information Session for new whānau 2:30pm

**Wednesday 8-Dec - Mon 13-Dec**

Class 7 Camp to Raukawa YMCA

**Friday 10-Dec**

Christmas Market (TBC)

**Wednesday 15-Dec**

Class 7 Farewell

**Wednesday 15-Dec**

**Last Day for Kindergartens**

**Thursday 16-Dec**

**Last Day for School 1:00pm finish**

**Te Rā Waldorf School - School App**


Available on:






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