

TE KURA TUATAHI O PAPAIOEA

CENTRAL NORMAL SCHOOL

Wahanga 4 Wiki 8

Wahaia Kia Tutuki ~ Strive to your Potential

9 December 2021

Tēnā Koutou katoa, Malo e lelei, Talofa Lava, Namaste

Whānau, we are nearly at the end of the term and nearly at the end of 2021 - another year dominated and impacted by the COVID pandemic. From talking with many of you, the break can't come soon enough as many people are experiencing fatigue and awaiting a much needed rest. Let's hope our summer is filled with fine, sunny days and we can relax, get outside or head to the beach.

At our Board meeting on Monday night, the Board looked over the end of year achievement data of our tamariki. Our data has shown that our tamariki have made great progress in Reading/Pānui, Writing/Tuhituhi and Mathematics/Pāngarau, across both Kura Auraki and Te Arawaru, when compared to last year. Tumeke!!

We are incredibly proud of our tamariki with the progress and achievement they have shown this year. They have all worked exceptionally hard throughout the year despite all the disruption - tumeke tamariki mā! Also, ngā mihi to all our kaiako, for the great learning and teaching programmes that they have provided our children.

Graduation/Puawaitanga

On Tuesday evening, we hosted separate Graduation/Puawaitanga ceremonies, to recognise and celebrate our fantastic Year 6 tamariki who will be leaving our kura next week. Despite the COVID restrictions, the ceremonies were a wonderful tribute to our tamariki and allowed them to hear the fitting citations that had been written for them by their teacher. The highlight of the evening is always the smiles on the children's faces as they have their moment on stage, proudly receiving and listening to their citation. Each year, Te Mahuri, a very special trophy, is awarded to a tamaiti in Te Arawaru who demonstrates outstanding leadership and commitment to their learning. Congratulations to Isaiah (Akomanga 16) who received this trophy.



School finishes Wednesday 15 December 12.30pm

Stationery

Like we did this year, your child's stationery will be purchased by our school and delivered to our school - you don't need to do anything! Thanks to the Government Donation Scheme, we are offsetting the cost of stationery for our whānau, where you will **only** need to pay **\$10** for your child's stationery! The cost of your child's stationery will be invoiced in Term 1.

Highlights

It's always great at this time of the year to reflect and look back at some of the great things that happened during the year. Some highlights include:

Ski Trip: Akomanga 7 trip to Mount Ruapehu and Whakapapa ski slope. This was the first time many of our tamariki had been to the snow. Such was the success of this trip, we are thinking of planning another ski trip for next year for Māharahara!

Wearable Arts: The wearable arts parade was a fantastic celebration of the amazing creativity and skill of our tamariki.

Napier Trip: Māharahara had a fantastic day out in Napier, visiting and Faraday Centre and the Aquarium.

Battle Bots: Mātanginui created their own Battle Bots, which provided a rich and engaging learning experience.

Te Arawaru: Adaptability with wā karakia, to ensure this could continue within COVID restrictions.

Our tamariki: We are incredibly proud of all our tamariki!



Congratulations to Isaiah for receiving Te Mahuri.

Class Placement

Today, your child will bring home an envelope with their 2022 Class Placement. Class Placement has been a **HUGE, term long** process, where many factors are taken into consideration. Please note, we will not be moving children from their class placement, as even one slight change, can have a massive impact.

Dates

Thursday 9 December: 2022 Class Placement letters go home

Friday 10 December: Class Transition. Children will spend some time in their 2022 class. Our new teachers will also be with us.

Monday 13 December: Class Transition #2. As our Team transition was cancelled, we are hosting a second class transition. Again, our new teachers will join us.

Wednesday 15 December: School finishes for the year - 12.30pm

Start of the Year

School starts back for our tamariki on **Wednesday 2 February, 9.00am**. The school office will be open from Monday 31 January for any enquiries and/or enrolments.

Meri Kirihimete

Whānau mā - we have greatly appreciated your amazing support, understanding and kindness during the year. We have greatly valued your understanding of our health and safety measures, as we navigated through the impacts of COVID. Because of this, we have genuinely missed having you on site and engaging with you. We look forward to 2022 and a year where we can properly (and hopefully) be a Kura Whānau,

On behalf of the kaiako, tamariki and Board -Meri Kirihimete!

Ngā Manaakitanga - Matua Regan.

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