



“Raising the Bar”

Hello Tena koutou Talofa lava Fakaalofa atu Talofa ni
Malo e lelei Kia orana Ni sa bula vinaka Malo ni

Te Kura o Wairau

Te Kura o Wairau News

Te Kura o Wairau have been undertaking maths professional development for nearly two years now. Our teachers have been amazing at delivering this maths PD and our maths results are equally amazing because of it. Ka pai Kaiako and tamariki for all your hard work!
Our maths PD will continue next year again with the support of our talented DMIC mentors, Bronwyn Gibbs and Michele Thwaites.



Ruby Awards

Room 11 - Ruby, Malia, Nevaeh, Cayden, Eseta, Tupou, Karen, Mia-Bella, Justmin, Te Whata, Nemani, Kobie, Jithesh, Junior, Aprilla, Kinkayde, Osharnia, Casey, Peyton, Te Ahumairangi, Sapphire

Emerald Awards

Room 11 - Ruby, Malia, Tupou, Kerah, Nemani, Jithesh, Te Ahumairangi

Playground Awards

Aaliyah - Rm 2
Jah & Tasi - Rm 7
Penelope & Cyllus - Rm 9
Bailey - Rm 10
Karen, Lucy & Kaerihia - Rm 12
Aaliyah-Rose - Rm 14

URock Awards

Respect: Junior Rm 11 & Penelope Rm 9
On-to-it: Tre' Rm 10 & Michael Rm 12
Co-operation: Maihi Rm 8 & Sapphire Rm 11
Kindness: Ripeka Rm 9 & Jaimee Rm 10

Pasifika Pride Performance

Yesterday afternoon, a group of students from Pasifika Pride performed at the 'Aged Care Awards'. Our families have received community support throughout this challenging year, and we were blessed to be able to support the wider community in some way.

Fa'afetai Tele Lava Pasifika Pride. Mrs Johnson, Mrs Alefaio and Ms Etuale are very proud of you all! You were awesome, and it was such a beautiful way to end our day.



Star Staff Award

The Star Staff award has been presented to one of our lovely Trainee teachers, Rebecca, who has done an amazing job in Room 2.



Reports

Reports will be coming home on Thursday 3rd December. Accompanying these reports will be what class your child/ren will be in in 2021, and who their teacher will be. We will have a 'meet the 2021 teacher' afternoon on Monday the 7th December from 2pm-2.45pm so our children can meet their 2021 teacher before they go on holiday. This supports our children and teachers with this transition. All of our leaving Year 6's will have a swim in the pool at this time.

Kowhai's 'Whole School Assembly'

On Friday the 30th October our Kowhai Team led the most amazing assembly. I am so incredibly proud of all the students, staff and volunteers who helped make this all happen. Congratulations everyone. The parents, whanau and friends of the school loved watching the performances. There was a lot of videoing of the students and team when they were singing their waiata's, and showing us their poi and haka skills. Tino pai rawa.

Culture Block

On Thursdays from 11.30am-1pm all of our school is focusing on and learning more about Maori and Pasifika cultures. During this time both our Culture Groups 'Hau Pihī' and 'Pasifikia Pride' are practicing too. At the moment they are preparing for their up and coming Graduation Evenings. This is a very valuable time during our week that provides our students with a chance to develop their general knowledge, and learn and grow from understanding other cultures.

Te Akatea Maori Principals Conference

I will be away for 3 days next week attending the annual Te Akatea Maori Principals Conference held in Auckland this year. Moana Maniapoto is the conference MC. I will have an opportunity to visit Makaurau Marae Ihumātāo, and listen to a variety of speakers like Jacinda Ardern, Ngahiwi Tomoana, Warriar Researchers, Kia Aroha College Students, Pio Terei and Dr Maia Hetaraka.

Whole School Assembly

On Friday 20th November Kahikatea will lead our whole school assembly. We are looking forward to this. This will be the final whole school 'team performance' assembly this year.

Swimming Pool

Mr Telfer has prepared our pool so our students can access this now. The weather certainly has been fabulous for this.

Trainee Teachers

I would like to say congratulations to our 3 trainee teachers who all passed their final placement with us. We wish them all the best for their educational futures and thank them all for their contribution to our students learning, and to our school whanau as a whole. Thank you too to their wonderful associate teachers who coached and mentored them, supporting them to succeed.

Nga mihi nui
Teena Johnson
Tumuaki/Principal

Welcome

We would like to welcome Jahkaia, Semaiah and their families to the Te Kura o Wairau community.

School Photos

School photos were taken last week. You can still order online if you wish. Please do not bring any envelopes in to the office. Photos will be delivered before the end of the term.

Year 6 Graduation Dinner

Our Year 6 dinner is fast approaching (6 weeks to go). It is strictly for Year 6 students, selected helpers, and staff only.

Please note, this is a **formal occasion**. Students are expected to dress up, and a dress-code will be in place (e.g. dress pants, shirt & tie/ dress, pants suit). It is not a compulsory part of our curriculum. Nor is it a right. It is an extra, and an invitation is required. It is free to attendees. It is a celebration of our Year 6 students. We would want all of them to be a part of this special event. If there is an issue with the dress code, i.e. you are unable to dress your child formally, please see one of the Kahikatea teachers ASAP - but within the next 3 weeks, and we will see what we can do. We cannot help you if you leave it till the last minute!



The Just Brass group performed at the Salvation Army last week. The group were very excited to perform after such a long break. They had a great time and were amazing to watch and listen to.



School Cell phone

Unfortunately our school cellphone has gone missing. For now, if you need to report an absence please phone 0800 45 44 44, email us or download the School App, and report the absence that way.



Coming Events

2 nd Nov	Public Health Nurse visits @ 12pm
5 th Nov	Pasifika group performing
20 th Nov	Whole School Assembly
28 th Nov	Pasifika group performing
2 nd Dec	Board of Trustees Meeting @ 5.30pm in the staffroom - All welcome
3 rd Dec	Pasifika group performing
9 th Dec	Public Health Nurse visits @ 12pm

Sports News

Touch Rugby -

First week 'Players of the Day' for Under 8s were Ngataka and Peyton.

The Second week 'Player of the Day' were Samuel and James M. The Under 8's and Under 10's play at 4pm and 4.30pm every week.

The Under 12's play at 5pm & 5.30pm every week.

Please pay the \$25 for Touch at the office asap.

Thank you to all coaches and parents who help out with these teams

Flipperball -

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Congratulations to the following two students who won 'Player of the Day'...

Loueni Ma'asi - 21st October

Julian Arnold - 28th October

Well done Lou and Julian! Welcome to flipper ball!

Team Reminder: fees are due. Please pay ASAP or see Ms Etuale or Whaea Lisa to make arrangements.



Recently staff challenged pupils to a game of Netball. Lots of fun was had by all.



The Under 8 Touch team getting some tips from Coach Claire.



Rata has been investigating the lifecycle & parts of flowers and plants. They have several little veggie garden seedlings growing in their classrooms. Have you got your veggie plot ready for summer harvesting?

Pasifika Pride Upcoming Performances...

Talofa Ni! Manuia Te Vaiaho Gagana Tokelau. This term we have 2 more performances coming up.

Please pop the following 2 performances in your calendar.

Further notices will be out, closer to the time...

The second event is a performance at the Amanaki STEM Academy Awards in 4 weeks, of which a number of past students are members. It is on a Saturday afternoon.

The last event is our final performance for the year. It is our Pasifika Pride Concert and Year 6 Graduation. We hope to see all of our families at this performance and celebration.

Amanaki STEM Academy Awards

Saturday, 28th November

Crossroads Church 2pm

Pasifika Pride Graduation & Concert

Thursday, 3rd December

Te Kura O Wairau 6pm

Manuia te aho

Julie Etuale



Clothing Required

Do you have dressy (formal) kids clothes, you no longer need?

Would they fit a Kahikatea student?

Kahikatea are currently on the lookout for donations of formal-wear (pants, shirts, ties, suits, dresses, jumpsuits, pants-suits, dress shoes, etc.)

Any donations would be welcome and can be dropped off at our office.

BBT – Bring Brothers Together

The kaupapa is about men supporting men. Trying to break down the old 'she'll be right mate'. Really check on your mates, be there, listen and support.

That's what our BBT event is for – Bringing Brothers Together, using the vehicle of Rugby League.

There will be 16 teams.

FREE bouncy castle
FREE sausage sizzle
Health providers promoting services
Food trucks
Police and Fire

Event to be held at Bill Brown Park on
Saturday the 14th of November
From 9.30am – 4pm
Come down and join in.

Dental Treatment

The Mobile Dental clinic will be at our school later in the year.
You can still contact them if your child needs treatment on 0800 talk teeth - 027 6695117 .

School Facebook page

Have a look at our Kowhai, Rata and Kahikatea teams facebook pages. Each team has their own page and regularly puts photos and exciting news of what is happening in their teams and around the school. Search for them: Somerset Kowhai Team, Somerset Rata Team, Somerset Kahikatea Team.

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PLEASE remember to ring us if your child is going to be away from school for any reason.

Contact us on 3543274 or 0800 45 44 44 or download the school app (pictured below) and leave a message.

If you do not inform us when your child/children are away from school, they will be marked as TRUANT.

If you have a change of address or your phone number changes, please let the office know.



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OPENING 2ND NOVEMBER 2020
Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's - 2.00 pm until 4.00 pm

This is a safe and friendly space for whānau to come and get kai with NO criteria to meet and NO cost to access.

Please bring your own shopping bags and dress for the weather as you could be waiting in a cue.

If driving down, please park on the road and walk in.

"Take what you need for today and tomorrow and think of the next whānau waiting in the cue"

Lost Property

Please check the lost property boxes if you have lost anything. You can find lost property to the right of the entrance to the office (at the back of Room 3). Please make sure you name all your items of clothing.