

KAIKOHE WEST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 09/01

Wednesday 4th February 2009

Tena koutou e te iwi

Greetings to you all



A very special welcome to all our new families. We have enrolled 30 children this week,

Welcome to, Chayse Tukaki, Swayze Tukaki, Amy Ngapeka, Ruby Hampson, Paninga Tupou, Ruka Harry, Keyah Tana, Lily Maxted, Edward Cassidy, Chezarn Taylor, , Shayarna Kingi, Teremoana Brown, Jasmine Brown, Rangirua Tomai, J.J. Tomai, Tania-Rose Tomai, Zane Hepi, Cassidy Wihongi, Charlie Wilson, Ngahere Kaka, Rania Kaka, He Mahana Kaka, Tamati Matekahi, Denziel Cochrane-Yorke, Tokowha Johnson-Tohu, Lazareth Hillman, Mihaia Hillman, Te Ararua, Hillman, Tremayne Anderson, Dayton Potae-Anderson.

Please feel free to visit the school at all times as we have an Open Door Policy and encourage parental involvement in the classroom - please check into the office upon arrival.

Road Crossing

After lots of discussion with the Far North District Council we now have an improved road crossing at our front gate allowing our Road Patrollers improved vision and safety. Parents please observe **the yellow no parking areas** and the bus bay must be cleared of cars by 3.15pm for the buses, it is purely a drop off and pick up area, so thank you for your co-operation.

Reminder

Please send a note or ring the office on 4011713 if your child/ren are to go home a different way, especially bus children.

Junior children will always wait in their classrooms for someone to collect them for safety reasons.

2009 STAFFING

We welcome Angela Wihongi as a Beginning Teacher in Room 6 a Year 4 and 5 class.

Last week staff attended three Teacher Only Days, on Wednesday we met with Dr Alison Davies re: "Linking Writing and Reading" which was most inspirational, on Thursday we met to discuss the New Curriculum and the school Vision and on Friday we had a school based Teacher Only Day preparing for 2009.

Principal

Barbara Wards

Associate Principal

Carol Smith

Associate Principal

Tracey Simeon

R1 Linda Wihongi

Y1 & Y2

R4 Jill Stirling

Y5 & Y6

R5 Linda Radich

Y4 & Y5

R6 Angela Wihongi

Y4 & Y5

R7 Mary Wihongi-TeWhata

Y4 & Y5 L2 Te Reo

R8 Waiora Wihongi-Court

Y2 & Y3 L3 Te Reo

R9 Sharyn Yakas

Y4 & Y5 L4 Te Reo

R10 Terry Robson

Y3

R11 Rosina Goodwin

Y3

R12 Sabrina Tana

Y1 & Y2

R13 Te Ahua Park

Y1 & Y2

R14 Nickola Cross

Y0 & Y1

R15 Naomi Morgan-French

Y0 & Y1

R16 Mei Reti

Y1 & Y2 L4 Te Reo

R17 Tracey Simeon

Y5 & Y6 L3 Te Reo

R18 Chrissy Smith

Y5 & Y6 L4 Te Reo

Teacher, ICT – Andrew Chambers

Classroom Release Teachers – Brendan Johnson, Viv Woods Judy Orsborn and Barbara O'Connor.

2008 BELL TIMES

School Starts 8.55am **Interval** 11.00 – 11.30am

Lunch 1.00 -2.00pm **School Finishes** 3.00pm

NEW CLASSROOM

Following our welcome back assembly on Monday our Kaiarahi Reo, Matua Ropata blessed our new classroom Room 18. The children and Miss Chrissy Smith, their teacher are thrilled with this beautifully acoustically designed room with wonderful new ergonomic furniture.

MEET THE TEACHER

To ensure we develop great parent/school partnership to ensure optimum learning for your child we have planned to trial an informal Meet the Teacher's get together to be held in your child's classroom on the 19th February, followed by refreshments. During this time your child's teacher will discuss with your self and other parents the routines and programme expectations. Later on, March 10th we will have our three way Child, Parent, Teacher Interviews as normal.

SWIMMING

Now our pool is filled all children will be involved in swimming lessons as this is a most important component of our Physical Education programme.

All children are expected to participate in swimming UNLESS THEY BRING A NOTE FROM HOME EXCUSING THEM DUE TO A HEALTH REASON.

Senior pupils are encouraged to wear bathing caps which are available from the school office at \$3.00 each.

Children must have named togs and towels in plastic bags or a swimming bag also available from school at \$3.00 each.

Please make sure your child is wearing proper togs because cotton t-shirts and shorts create lint that block the filter system.

Swimming Programme

Junior classes (Rooms 1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16) swim

Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Senior classes (Rooms 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 17, 18) swim

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

To ensure that our swimming pool filter works properly it is important that your child wears appropriate swimming gear. NO cotton or boxers!

LUNCHES LUNCHES LUNCHES

We order lunches from Trumps" on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and all orders are taken before school in the Library We have attempted to ensure healthy options.

Sandwiches

(Lettuce/Cheese, Marmite/Cheese, Nutella) \$1.30

Filled Rolls - (ham, lettuce, carrot, mayo) \$2.50

Spaghetti and Cheese Bun \$2.30

Pizza Slice \$2.60

Pump Water \$2.00

School sells flavoured milk \$1.00

SUBWAY ORDERS ON WEDNESDAYS AS USUAL

KAIKOHE JUNIOR ATHLETICS

Starts

Monday 9th February

5pm

Northland College

For more information

Contact

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KAIKOHE KOHANGA REO

has vacancies for children

aged

6 mths - 3 yrs

Contact

Trish Lemon

4052170 8-3pm

Childcare subsidy and free

ECE available.

CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

Friday 13th

Red Heart Day focusing on keeping healthy.

Wednesday 18th

Board of Trustees Meeting – 5pm.

Thursday 19th

Informal Get Together "Meet the Teacher" afternoon.

Saturday 28th

Far North Mayoral Challenge

MARCH

Tuesday 10th

Meet the Teacher Interviews.

