

TE KOPURU SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 15th October 2019

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Whakatauki:

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Ko tenei panui tuatahi a wahanga hou

No reira, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa

Greetings to all parents and caregivers. This is the first newsletter of the term.

Nga mihi maha ki nga whanau hou koutou ko Kaede-Jane Grimes, Clifton Pene, Summer Alizaay-Gray, Maddox Mikaere ki te kura o Te Kopuru. We welcome Kaede, Clifton, Summer, Maddox and their families to Te Kopuru School.

Welcome back to Term 4. We began our first day with a powhiri to welcome our new students and their families into our school.

Our annual Te Kopuru School Pet and Project Day will be held on Wednesday 30th October. Classes are buzzing with excitement as children create their exhibits. We have classes learning how to make bread, sowing seeds, and designing a host of other creations. This is always a time of creativity, collaboration and sharing. This year we will have no calves presented due to the Mycoplasma bovis. Let's hope that the lambs and goats are cooperative on the day! We are also encouraging students to bring their pets from home. An invitation is extended to parents and the community to attend this special day where children showcase their talents. Dads—remember to practise your baking skills and enter the Fathers Cake Auction!



I remind parents of our TEACHER ONLY DAY on Friday 25 October. The school will be officially closed on that day for staff professional development.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kindest regards

**Lee Anderson
PRINCIPAL**

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- At the last meeting the Board approved a **TEACHER ONLY DAY** on Friday 25 October
- Next Board Meeting: Monday 4th November 7pm
- Te Kopuru school is open for enrolments all year round we welcome all new students in the Kaipara area to visit our school.

AN INVITATION TO PARENT AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS:

Dr Melinda Webber, from the University of Auckland, has been invited by the Te Kopuru School Board of Trustees, to speak on her national research study about how students, particularly Maori, learn, succeed and thrive at school. Her study investigates student attitudes, engagement and aspirations toward their learning and school; and also teacher, whanau and community factors that positively impact students' learning and success at school.

After this presentation, the Board will make the decision as to whether, we as a school community, take part in this research. As a result of taking part, the Board would receive reports on what is currently working and what we might need to further improve.

The Board would appreciate your attendance and feedback. So please mark this date on your calendar:-

Thursday 31 October, 3pm, at School

TE KOPURU SCHOOL CALENDAR

Thursday 17th October- Shakeout Earthquake drill

Wednesday 23rd October- PTA meeting 3pm

Friday 25th October- HYUW\Yf`C b`m`8 Um`

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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS:

Security cameras are permanently operational in the school grounds at all times.

- **Hats** are now compulsory for term 4. Students must wear a hat at break times.
- **Teacher only day Friday 25th October**
- **Homework Centre** - This is for Dargaville Town students only this week. Reminder every Friday is also for Dargaville Town students only. Te Kopuru Village students are expected to go straight home after school.
- **PTA Meeting at school** Wednesday 23rd October at 3pm all welcome to attend.
- **Year 7&8 Camp** at Campbell Park Christian Camp, Mangawahi- \$50.00 deposit required please pay by internet banking using your child's name as a reference or into the school office. Thank you.
- **Lettuce, beetroot and bean seedlings** are for sale at the school \$2.00 per punnet limited supply first in first served.
- **The Dental truck** is at School starting Tuesday 29th October any queries phone 021 5460
- **Empire Lunch orders available every Friday** starting again this Friday 18th October - Place your order first thing in the morning at the office.

BASIC FACTS / TIMES TABLES!!

ONLINE SAFETY FOR PARENTS

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/online-safety-for-parents/>

TEACH THEM THE BASICS

Once your knowledge is up to scratch, teach them the basics of online safety - here's four ideas of what to start with.

Strong passwords - a strong password helps protect the information in your online profiles or accounts.

Information to protect online - Login details and passwords, Bank account details, Home address, Phone numbers, Birthdate, Personal information that could be used to guess security questions for online accounts.

You should also talk about personal details they could share online, such as where they are and the school they attend.

Not everything is as it seems - It can seem like common knowledge to adults, but sometimes kids don't understand that people are not always who they say they are online. Talk to them about friending or communicating with people they don't know offline.

Digital footprint - Teach your child that they need to think about what they post online, and that what they post online leaves a "digital footprint" about them. Find out more about digital footprints.

The Hub Trip- Dargaville Museum

Over fifty excited children, with teachers and parent helpers, boarded the bus at 9.00 on Wednesday 18th September for their trip to the Museum to culminate their studies of the Past and Present. At the destination, the children were welcomed in the Lighthouse, before being split into two groups. One group was taken into the museum to view and learn about the early settlers of the district while the other stayed in the Lighthouse. This group were told a story about the local mountains of Maungaraho, Tokatoka and Tutumoe. They and the adults then drew pictures about this story. After morning tea the groups swapped over, before gathering back outside the Lighthouse for lunch. As the weather was warm and sunny, the children entertained themselves running up and down the hill, climbing on the Rainbow Warrior mast and looking at the landscape. The last part of the day was spent looking at and going into the gumdigger houses and rolling down the hill.

Our grateful thanks go to all the parents who shared this day with us and looked after a group. We are very appreciative of your support. Thanks also to the very helpful people at the museum for their enthusiasm and sharing of their knowledge with our tamariki.

Some thoughts from the children

“The gum was round and shiny. Some had insects and beetles trapped inside.”

“The gum washing machine was noisy.”

“I found the train amazing. I wish I was in that mini world.”

“I liked all the gumdigger houses. I lay on a bed and it was warm.”

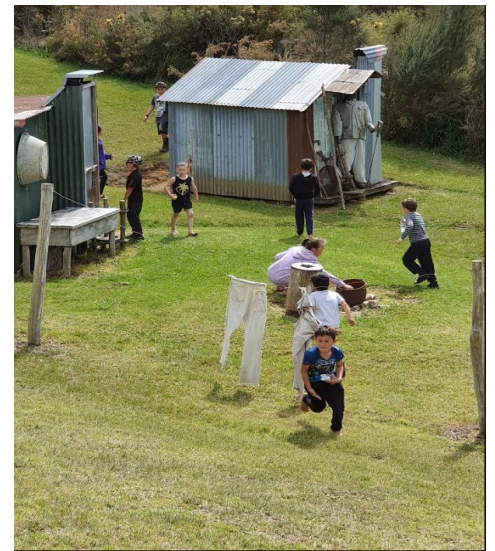
“The gumdigger beds were comfortable.”

“I lay on the bed. It felt hot. It was made of sacks.”

“I was fascinated by the gum polisher. I couldn't stop looking.”

“I wouldn't like to live in the gumdigger houses because they were too dirty.”

“I liked the shells. They were pretty and some were big.”





Te Kopuru School

Pet and Project Day

Wednesday 30th October 2019

Rationale: Pet and Project Day provides the opportunity for children to care for an animal and to present exhibits for competition.

Goals: To help children care for an animal and develop a good relationship with a pet. To encourage children to participate as good competitors. To provide a selection of activities to develop creativity and Individuality.

General: Pet and Project Day provides an excellent opportunity for the Te Kopuru School community to participate in an enjoyable school day with the children. Please support your child by supporting their efforts and encouraging participation. The staff of Te Kopuru School actively encourages student effort and it would be appreciated if the exhibits were completed solely by the child. The day comprises of 3 sections:

Animals

(Animals shall be born between 1 July and 15 September - Lambs & Goats)

The animals are judged in terms of Leading, Rearing and Calling. The Rules of the events generally follow the Northern Wairoa Boys and Girls Agricultural Club Rules. Please remember that no entire male animal is allowed. We need to know if your child is taking their animal to Central Day as they need to be registered.

Indoor Exhibits

These exhibits fall into technology categories – Craft-ICT, Art, Floral, and Food. Students are expected to present 8 exhibits. Most exhibits will be completed at school as part of our technology curriculum. These exhibits will be assessed by teachers as per criteria. Some exhibits will be completed at home. Please refer to your child’s class list. All exhibits will be displayed in the Hall. They will be judged and points awarded accordingly.

Pet Section

We are inviting children to bring their much loved pet to school. These pets could be goldfish, guinea pigs, cats, mice, birds..... ***Please NO DOGS!***

These pets need to be caged, with adequate WATER AND FOOD FOR THE DAY. Children need to write a brief pet description for the judge's.

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Father’s Cake Auction

This is of historic significance that this fun event takes place on Pet and Project Day. All Dads are encouraged to bake a cake for auction.

Organisation for the Day:

All indoor exhibits (that have been completed at home) are to be at school by 9am Wednesday 30th October so that they can be judged. All exhibits will be displayed in the hall.

Timetable:

8.45am: Children to classes to prepare final activities.

10.00am: All animals need to be at school.

10.30am: Judging of Indoor Exhibits.

12.00pm: Lunch - Hall open for viewing (When judging completed)

12.30pm: Cake Auction and Prize giving in the School Hall.

Note: Please leave all exhibits on display until after Prize giving.

