NEWSLETTER NO. 17 - 27th October 2021

Nau mai haere mai, Greetings | Tena Koutou | Konnichiwa | Groete | Namaste | Talofa Lava | Malo e Lelei | Ni sa bula | Fakalofa lahi atu | Kia Orana | Asalam Alykum | Ni Hao | Welcome back to Term 4. It has been wonderful to have our students arrive back as fresh and keen learners

after their holiday break.

Lamb & Goat Judging 2021

We are very excited to have Avon, our fantastic ring judge for lambs and goats, joining us this **Friday 29th October at 10:00 am** (at school). Unfortunately, this event is limited to the parents and grandparents of students bringing a lamb or goat; but we look forward to celebrating with you all through ClassDojo and the next school newsletter.

There are 3 events for lambs / goats on the day: Leading; Calling and Following; Rearing, Care and Attention

If your child has a pet that cannot attend, they are able to create a pet profile to be judged. Create a presentation of photos and text. Have your child include all the involvement they have had with their pet. Profiles need to be completed by Thursday 4th November (ready for display at the Whakamārama Community Centre).



School Fundraiser

As an alternative fundraiser, we are going to hold a Christmas Hamper raffle (or two) and would appreciate donations of grocery items to help contribute towards this fundraiser. Please bring in a couple of non perishable items if you can, that will help make up an exciting Christmas hamper. If these could be brought in by Friday 5th November, that would be much appreciated. Please, no expired items. Thank you in advance for your support.



Student Craft Exhibits

Our theme this year is... Think Outside the Box. Our learners are currently preparing their exhibits for judging on Thursday 4th November. This is always a highlight of the year and we love seeing the creativity and artistic flair coming out in our students. Exhibits will be displayed in the Whakamārama Community Centre and will be open for viewing on Friday 5th November.

Carwash Fundraiser for Camp Raglan

Lots of fun was had at the car wash fundraiser that took place on Sunday 17th October. Parents and students that were involved in the day raised \$740 which will be tagged for Camp Raglan 2022. Go team!





Garden to Table with Room 1

Room 1 learners started their journey with Garden to Table on Wednesday 20th October. WOW! They were AMAZING! Keen, enthusiastic and ready to learn whether in the kitchen or the garden. So much mahi. So much effort. So much enthusiasm!







Removal of cut trees

Upcycling: A 'garden barrow'

Lettuce harvesting





Skilled knife cutting

Flatbread being prepared







Seaweed fertiliser being prepared

Rich soil being moved

Herb garden being tidied up

COVID-19: Applying the mandatory vaccination and testing requirements

The specific actions that our school board will need to take will depend on the final form of the Public Health Orders which put the Government's decisions to mandate vaccinations and testing into effect.

Shortly, the Public Health Orders will be made and published. When the Orders are published, we will provide you with further guidance.

It is a challenging time to be able to provide clear guidance without the Public Health Orders which will put the Government's decisions to mandate vaccinations and testing into effect.

Camp Whakamārama

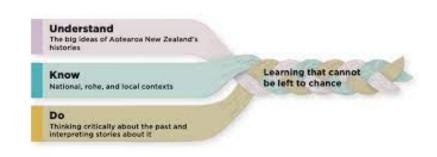
To support the planning of our 'school camp'; please return forms sent out last week ASAP.

Tuesday 30th October hosts off-site activities for our learners (all venues that our learners will be visiting are booked out solely for our school). On Wednesday 1st December we will undertake a rotation of STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) activities to fit in with our terms concept of innovation.

School Alert Level 2 procedures for the camp will be communicated closer to the event.

Professional Growth for Teaching Staff

From 2022, Aotearoa New Zealand's histories will start to be taught in schools and kura, with full implementation needing to be in place by 2025. There are three elements to the curriculum content: UNDERSTAND, KNOW, and DO. It is structured this way to help teachers design learning experiences that weave these elements together so that student learning is deep and meaningful.



On Tuesday 26th October our teaching team took part in a 1 hour webinar introducing Tikanga Māori me Ōna Hua (Māori customs, beliefs, and values systems). This professional learning development opportunity is in advance of the publication of the finalised curriculum document, date still not known.

Class & Individual Photos

Class and individual photos will be taken on **Thursday 25th November.** This year photographs will be available for you to view and order online with PhotoLife Studios. Your child should have brought home an online slip with their unique access key detailed on it at the end of Term 3. This access key will display all the photographs of your child / children. It is then an easy process for you to shop on-line and purchase the photographs you want.

If you placed your order within two weeks of receiving your access key you will receive free delivery for your photo orders. PhotoLife has agreed to despatch all the orders back to the school and your child will bring their photographs home. Any orders placed after this two-week period will be sent directly to your specified delivery address and will incur a \$6.00 Postage & Packing charge. You will see this message when you go online to view and order your photographs.

SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD

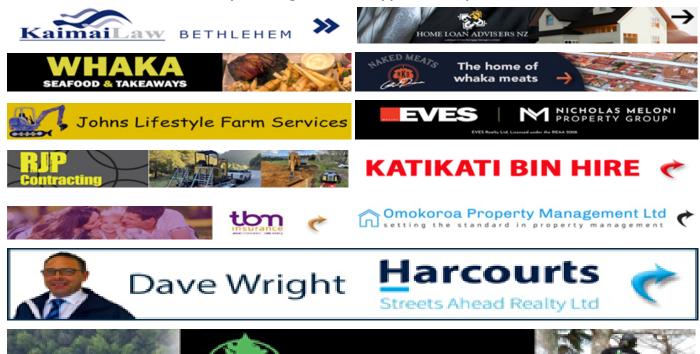
Please keep yourself up-to-date with the school newsboard that comes out fortnightly in the newsletter or the calendar on the homepage of the school website

AS WE WILL ALL BE AWARE, THE BELOW CALENDAR DATES WILL BE SUBJECT TO COVID ALERT LEVELS

Thursday 28th October	Technology Classes: Year 7 / 8 @ Katikati College
Friday 29th October	Lamb and Goat Judging
Wednesday 3rd November	Marimba Festival
Thursday 4th November	Technology Classes: Year 7 / 8 @ Katikati College
Friday 5th November	Viewing of student craft exhibits at the community hall
Monday 15th December	Hearing & Vision Testing
Tuesday 16th November	Music Festival
Thursday 25th November	Photolife School Photos
Tuesday 30th Nov / Wed 1st Dec	Camp Whakamārama P
Thursday 2nd December	Technology Classes: Year 7 / 8 @ Katikati College
Friday 10th December	School Prize Giving 6pm
Wednesday 15th December	Last Day of Term 4

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Omokoroa Community Tennis Club Junior Coaching

Term 4 2021: Oct 30, Nov 6, 13, 20, 27, Dec 4, 11, 18 Term 1 2022: Feb 12, 19, 26, Mar 5, 12, 19, 26, Apr 2

Age 5—7 9am—9:45am; Age 8—10 9:45am—10:45am; Age 10+ 10:45am—11:45am

Cost per term: Members \$21, non-members \$100

Sign up for coaching here:

https://clubspark.kiwi/OmokoroaCommunityTennisClub/coaching

Membership: Child (5-12) \$60 Junior (13-18) \$78

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FACE COVERINGS

As at 11.59pm, Friday 22 October it became a requirement for students aged 12 and over to wear a face covering on school transport (both Ministry and regional council-operated) unless they have an exemption.

All other children are encouraged to wear a face covering on school transport.

Face coverings are available at school for our learners and we are here to support the correct use.



In preparation for our end of year prizegiving, please can all cups be returned to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

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