

Kaye's Korero

Kia ora whanau

Welcome back to term two—we trust you enjoyed the time over the break to get out in the lovely weather with your children and explore the great community we have here in Porirua.

Typically this term can be a bit wet, so can we ask that you pop extra socks and pants into your child's bag. They might even like to have a pair of slippers at school that they can pop on when they come inside; it helps keep our carpet areas cleaner.

Bullying-Free Week is 14–18 May and we plan to celebrate this as a continuation of our term one focus on living our values of aroha and kotahitanga.

Hope to catch as many of you as possible over the week

Nga mihi nui *Kaye*



Ako

Administration block

As you will have noticed, we still have a long way to go on the refurbished administration block. The weather, and opening up the building and finding the rot to be more extensive in some places than thought, have contributed to the slowing down. We are a little inconvenienced at the moment but we are sure it will be worth it in the long run—looking to be the end of this term now for completion.



Hākinakina

Powhiri for new whanau

We invite all our new whanau to our powhiri on Wednesday 16 May at 10:00am. Meet in the staffroom.



Iti kahurangi

Kai and Korero Whanau Dinner

Wednesday 30 May, 6:30pm

Venue to be announced.

The Kai and Korero is a sharing occasion where you tell us things and we tell you things that we think are important for our learners and school community. We have been working on our Ngāti Toa School Curriculum and have the underlying principles established. We want to know more from you about what our children should and need to be learning about. Please circle the date for a lovely dinner and opportunity to get to know other parents and whanau.



Kotahitanga

New entrants

Please let us know of your five year olds due to start school this year, or any others you know of! Thanks very much—it helps with our planning.

Ukelele lessons

Ukelele lessons will continue this term. The cost is \$35:00 for the term at school with qualified music tutor, Mark Madle.

See slip attached if you are interested, and return for term two.



Aroha



Crossing the road

Can parents please reinforce children using the patrolled crossing before and after school. It gives a conflicting message when children are being encouraged to cross the road away from the crossing when we have told them they must use the patrolled area.



Winter sport coming up

Netball: Netball starts this Saturday 5 May at Ngāti Toa Domain. We will put the game time up on Facebook, so come and support the team if you are out and about. They play behind the Mana New World. Players—please send the \$30 fee as soon as possible. Thanks to Hannah Orzecki and Tainui Parata and Ash Chadwick for offering to manage the team. This will be invaluable support. Whaea Kiri and Mrs Brunton will coach the team.

Uihoc: There will be a Year 1 and 2 team starting their games next Tuesday 8 May at Te Rauparaha. Melanie Searancke is getting the team underway and will need support from other parents to attend each week and ensure our team are ready to play. Melanie will be in touch with those who showed interest via Facebook. We will look into a Year 3 and 4 team.



Remember that parents, caregivers, teachers, and guardians are the chief resources in language development. Children learn much from each other, but adults are the main conversationalists, questioners, listeners, responders, and sustainers of language development and growth in the child-care centre or classroom.

<http://www.readingrockets.org/article/young-childrens-oral-language-development>

Cycle track

If you are interested in making this a happening thing at our school, please come and see Kaye or email at principal@ngatitoa.school.nz

There is a move across the country to make cycles and learning to cycle equitable and accessible for all children. *Bikes in Schools* is working with local organisations and councils to make it possible for schools to get cycle tracks, bikes and helmets in their schools for as many children as possible. To gauge interest for our school would you please complete the quick anonymous survey at the end of the newsletter and return it to school.

New bank account number

Please note the school's new bank account number. It is:

ASB Ngāti Toa School Board of Trustees
12-3254-0191023-00

Please use this account number for any transactions from now on

PAKŪSAVE receipts

Please continue to send your receipts along to the office. The proceeds go into our "Education Outside the Classroom" (EOTC) fund.

Canteen – Fridays

Iceblocks (70c) and popcorn (50c) available.

School Hoodies for sale!

Adults.....\$60.00

Kids.....\$50.00

Black beanies ...\$15 (school crest only)

These have our school crest on the front and values across the back.

These are not the same as the year 6 hoodies which are subsidised through fundraising. A full range of sizes is available.

Adults range from Small to 3XL

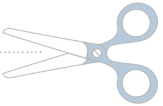
Kids range from size 4 to 16

Names can be printed on the back BUT this does cost extra.

Please see Whaea Kiri in the office to place orders. You are welcome to pay off BUT need to pay in full before you receive your item.

What's coming up

- **Monday 30 April**, 8:55am: Beginning of term two
- **Thursday 10 May**, 7:00pm: Te Whanau Ngatahi meeting
- **Wednesday 16 May**, 10:00am: Powhiri for new whanau
- **Thursday 17 May**, 5:45pm: Board of Trustees meeting
- **Friday 18 May**: Pink Shirt Day (wear pink everything!)
- **Wednesday 30 May**, 6:30pm: Kai and Korero Whanau Dinner
- **Tuesday 5 June**: School photos
- **3-5 July**: Reporting student progress to whanau



UPDATED CONTACT DETAILS



Name of child/children:

Caregiver/s:

Address:

Phone contacts:

Email:

Emergency contact name:

Emergency contact phone:

Any other information we should know: (e.g. custody arrangements, copies of reports to go elsewhere etc)

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UKELELE LESSONS

I would like my child to receive ukelele lessons in Term 2 (\$35.00 for the term)

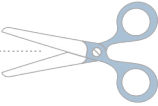
Name of child/children:

Class:

Caregiver/s:

Phone No:

Payment included Paid by internet banking
12-3254-0191023-00 (**Code:** Ukelele, **Reference:** Child's name)



Cycle Track Survey

Can your child/children ride a bicycle?

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Does your child (do your children) have their own bicycle/s?

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Would you want your children to learn to ride a bike safely on the road? Yes No

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Should the school have a cycle track, bicycles and helmets available to children to use at school? Yes No

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Do you have expertise or ability to put in a cycle track? Yes No

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If so, what expertise or ability? Can we contact you to discuss? Name/contact details if you are able to help.

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