



Kuratau School

Kimihia Te Matauranga Kia U Ki Te Pono
Through Seeking Knowledge Comes Truth

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

2 nd & 3 rd March	Marae Visit - Pukawa
8 th March	Bikes in School - Juniors
17 th March	Triathlon
24 th March	Bikes in School - Seniors
13 TH April	END OF TERM 1

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Wheels WEDNESDAYS – your child can bring their scooter or skateboard to school.

Please bring a large drink bottle to school, its getting hot!

Heat ups on THURSDAYS.

LOST PROPERTY – Bin is outside Room 4.

PUKAWA MARAE VISIT Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd March

PRINCIPALS CORNER Kia Ora to all parents and school whanau. As we are sorting out some water problems at school, please supply your child with a water bottle. Thank you. Our Marae visit is coming up, hope you can join us at sometime on the Thursday or Friday at Pukawa.

BIKE DAY 2017

Bike day 2017 is coming up on the 25th and 26th June. This one fundraising event enables us to provide quality education for our students. In 2016 it funded new computers throughout the school, the painting and refurbishing of the school pool and upgrade work in the hall. Your help is required on the day to make it work! We must recognise the trust blocks that support this ride by supplying the land which riders tear up and the farm staff who mark and prepare for this event. So a big thanks to Te Apata Station, Moerangi, Waitahi Kuratau and Rangiatia. The hall committee will be organising the Bike Ride this year.

IN CLASS RECYCLING PROGRAMME We have begun a new recycling programme. All classes now have 1 paper/cardboard bin and 1 rubbish bin for other items. Every day the environmental team from Room 1 empty the recycling and points are given for consistency. This week: 1st Room 1, 2nd Room 4, 3rd = Rooms 2 & 3.

WETLANDS TRAPPING PROGRAMME - Each week the Environmental Team from Room 1 has been clearing and laying bait in our Wetlands traps so that our native birds eggs and animals can survive. This week they captured 3x hedgehogs, 1x rat and 1x mouse. Great work team, keep up the good work.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS We would like to extend a very warm Kuratau welcome to our two new students this week. Brother and sister - Blade and Aurora Barnett. Blade has joined Room 4 whilst Aurora has joined Room 2. We hope you enjoy your time at Kuratau School.

SUNSMART MESSAGE The sun is now intense and hot. Please ensure your child has sunblock on in the morning before coming to school. The children are encouraged to use our school sunblock. Please bring a large drink bottle each day.

MARAE VISIT INFORMATION On Tuesday Marae notices went home. Permission slips must be returned no later than Tuesday 28th February. **ALL** children from Room 4 must have an adult or caregiver accompany them overnight. We welcome parents, caregivers, whanau, grandparents and siblings to join us on the Marae. We encourage all children to come to school as normal and arrive at the Marae with their class to gain the full experience. Parents are welcome to join us at anytime. **Buses** will run as normal both Thursday & Friday morning and afternoon for those children unable to stay. They will be taken to the marae. **BBQ tea** – Thursday night. Come join us. Adults please bring BBQ meat or salad to share. Children are **NOT** allowed to bring stereos, cellphones or lollies to the Marae. Please name all your child's clothing & items.

PUKAWA MARAE VISIT TIMETABLE

Thursday 2 nd Feb	Friday 3 rd Feb
9.30am – Depart School	7.00am – Early Swim
10.00am – Powhiri/Morning Tea	8.30am - Breakfast
10.30am – Set up Sleeping Orientation	9.00-10.00am - Activities
12.00noon - Lunch	10.00am - Morning Tea
1.00pm - Activities	Clean up and Pack up
4.00pm – Afternoon Tea	11.30am – Poroporoaki
5.30pm – Tabloids	12.00pm – Beach Swim
6.30pm – Dinner & Writing Session	12.45pm – Lunch
Dark – Story time, Bed	2.30pm – Depart for home

SWIMMING POOL



Our pool is looking awesome and has now been painted. We are just waiting on the paint to cure before filling the pool. We plan to begin SwimWell lessons on Monday 6th March. Please ensure your child has their togs & a towel at school every day from that date.

ELYSE FUNDRAISING

A huge thank you to all those families who have contributed to selling the tickets for the Johnson family so far. Any money we raised will go to helping the family.

I do still have some tickets that have been returned to me to sell. If you would like more tickets please contact Belinda bridgeb@kuratau.school.nz and I will give them to your child.

Check out our Facebook page and Website ☺

A NOTE FROM THE DENTAL TEAM

Overall the childrens teeth have been good with less cavities and cleaner teeth. Some children need to allow more time to brush properly both morning and night. Dental Health Lessons will be provided to each class. Keep an eye out for the tooth fairy advert that maybe coming to your TV screens soon. Key messages are baby teeth are important and necessary for healthy permanent teeth, brush twice daily using fluoride toothpaste and adults to brush preschoolers teeth. Any queries during the year, please contact Tongariro School Dental Clinic, 386 8690.

COMMUNITY NEWS ITEMS

SOCCER TRAINING – Turangi Soccer Club has started trainings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Tongariro School Field. Anyone interested in playing are welcome to come along. Bring shoes and a drink bottle.

LAKE TAUPO CHARITABLE TRUST - If you are Ngāti Tūwharetoa descent, aged 7 to 12 years old and are interested in attending a one-week holiday programme in April at Mindlab, Gisborne – please go to www.lftf.co.nz/lctc to read about the Forest Management Programme where this opportunity is linked to. This will direct you to the Education section where you will be able to click onto the centre that is hosting this programme along with the interest register form to complete and return. Nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa.

Attached notices from REAP and Music in the Reserve.

Check out some of the mahi our classes have been doing – You rock Kuratau Kids ☺

Room 1



Room 2



Room 3



Room 4



LOOK AT OUR AWESOME BUDDY READING – Great work Kuratau kids.



Some kids have arrived with Nits this week – please be vigilant and check your child – then treat every 7 days. Thanks ☺

