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# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

# Te Karere a te Kura Tuatahi

Newsletter 2

28 February 2024

## TERM 1 VALUES:

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*Tena koutou, Guten tag, Goedendag, Namaste, Sat-sri-akal, Bula, Konnichi-wa, Talofa, Malo e lelei, Mabuhay, An nyoung, Greetings to all whanau.*

## House T shirts



Thank you to Classic Builders who sponsor a house T-shirt for every child who enrolls at our school. The t-shirts help us with the promotion of our school values of Excellence, Respect, Integrity, Citizenship and Attitude. The houses at Katikati school are Gledstones, Mulgan, Macmillan, and Stewart, with each logo on the t-shirt having a background story linked to some of the early settlers in Katikati. The children are encouraged to wear their t-shirt with pride each Friday and to the range of special house events which are organised **throughout the year. If your child is new to our school and doesn't have their shirt yet it will hopefully be coming soon.** For existing children at the school, if they have outgrown their t-shirt or need a new one for any reason, they will be able to purchase one later in the term.

## Cycling to School

It is great to see how many students we have coming to school on their bikes or scooters rather than in the car. Just a few quick reminders if your child is using their bike:

- Children should be wearing a helmet
- Children under 10 should be accompanied
- Children should not be cycling on the footpath
- Children need to push their bikes through the school and when using the pedestrian crossing

For further tips and information go to: <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/cycling-to-school-safety-mps.pdf>

## Sun Strike on Beach Road

Please be aware that the sunstrike is very bad between 8.15am-8.45am on at the pedestrian crossing area on Beach Road. We aim to keep our children safe crossing the road.

## Getting Involved

Welcome to all the new families who have enrolled this term, we are really pleased to have you join our school. For any parents who would like to become actively involved in the school and have the time to do so, how about joining our Parents of the School group? POTs is a group of parents who raise money for the school and help us out at events. As well as committee members, POTs are always **looking for people who can lend a helping hand at events even if they can't go** along to the monthly meetings. This is a great way to meet other parents and to become involved in the life of the school. If you would like to join the group or can offer help at one or two events through the year please email [potskps@katikati.school.nz](mailto:potskps@katikati.school.nz).

## Sun Safety

Please remember that it is compulsory for your child to wear a sun hat when they are outside this term. This includes break times and sporting events. The children are going to miss out on a **range of learning and fun activities if they don't** have their hat. Any wide brimmed hat is acceptable. Hats can also be purchased from the school office. Please help us to keep your child safe in the sun by sending them to school with their hat.



## Attendance Certificates

**Regular attendance is one of the major factors for children's success at school.** We were delighted with the increase in the number of children who were here every day in Term 4. Each term we present certificates to those children who have 100% attendance, we are hoping to see even more children make it onto the list for this term. Here are our 100% attenders for Term 4 2023, well done to: **Room 3** Aadav; Daniel; Gwyneth **Room 4** Layla; Grace **Room 9** Bethany **Room 10** Mackenzie; Evie; Tyler **Room 11** Addy; Samar **Room 12** Jyan; Onyx **Room 18** Ada; Divraj **Room 21** Ava; Mason **Room 22** Logan **Room 25** Oliver; Priya; Hunter **Room 26** Hazel **Room 27** Willow **Leavers** Shylo; Natalia; J.R.; Jamie; Devesh; Gab; Poppy; Emily



## Catching the Bus

Just a reminder, if your child catches the bus to go home but there is a change of plans and you come in to pick them up, please let the office know. For Health and Safety reasons we need to know who is on the bus each day in case of breaks down or emergencies.

## School Discos



Next week our fabulous Parents of the School group (POTS) are running school discos. Team 1 children have their disco on Tuesday, Team 2 on Wednesday and Team 3 on Thursday. The discos are held straight after school. POTS will be sending home information about the event.

## Mufti Day

**Don't forget that tomorrow 29<sup>th</sup> February**, is Mufti Day. Children can leave their uniforms at home. The money made will go towards the prizes and wrist bands for our Community Card winners.

## Names on School Uniform

Just a reminder to put names on uniforms, including shoes, swimming togs, towels, lunchboxes, drink bottles, hats etc. It will make it easy to find homes for lost property.

## Competitive Senior Swimming Sports

Our Competitive Senior Swimming Sports are to be held on March 12th at 9.00am, with Thursday 14th March being our new postponement date. The Senior Swimming Sports are competitive timed races, as we use these results to select students to represent our school at the North Cluster Swim Sports Competition later on in Term 1. Children who would like to take part in the event have let their teachers know and teachers have talked to any students they think should have a go. Any child who can confidently swim a length using correct technique is encouraged to participate. If your child hasn't put themselves forward, it's not too late. Please make contact with your child's teacher.

We would love parents to come along and cheer on their children and if possible help with time keeping. The competition will be held at the Dave Hume Swimming Pool on Carisbrooke Street. If you are able to help with time keeping, please contact our Sports Co-Ordinator, Christine at [sports@katikati.school.nz](mailto:sports@katikati.school.nz). We look forward to a fun and exciting day, celebrating our swimmers' success.

### Reporting an absence.



- Text: 021 041 5234
- Email: [absence@katikati.school.nz](mailto:absence@katikati.school.nz)
- Phone: from 8am on (07) 549 0105
- or pop into the office

## MUFTI DAY THURSDAY 29TH FEBRUARY



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# Sports Corner

## DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

Cricket Supersmash Hub—Tuesdays 3.30pm Starts 13 February. Years 1-4 \$30.  
[www.ndcricket.co.nz](http://www.ndcricket.co.nz) to register

Senior Swimming Sports—Senior Tuesday 12 March (ppThurs 14 Mar)

Northern Cluster—Dave Hume Pool Tues 26 Mar (pp Thurs 28 Mar)

WBOP Swimming Sports—Greerton Aquatic Centre Wed 10 April

Please pop these dates in your diary. We will be asking for parental help.

Squash—Free - For primary school age kids. Every Thursday 3.30pm-4.30pm

Katikati Squash Club—6 Whakawhara Road. Rackets etc provided, just need  
Non marking soled shoes.

Football Fun Day—Girls only—Free event—Sat 2nd March—Moore Park, Katikati

10.00-11.30am for ages 5-15 years. Registrations essential.

Text or phone with name and age to 027 406 1216 by 29th Feb.

Gymnastics Academy—Air Track Tumble Class—Term 1 at KKPS School Hall—

Friday 9 Feb –12 Apr 3.15pm-4.15pm \$125

Book online at [www.thegymnasticacademy.com](http://www.thegymnasticacademy.com) or Call Marie 021 170 5426

Argos Gymnastics Competitions 2024—Held at Argos Gymnastics Club, Judea

Year 3/4 Friday 12 April Year 5/6—Friday 5 April

Email [sports@katikati.school.nz](mailto:sports@katikati.school.nz) by 13 March if interested. Parental Supervision compulsory

Pahoia School Try-Athlon—Saturday 23 March at Omokoroa Domain.

Register [www.pahoia.school.nz/tryathlon](http://www.pahoia.school.nz/tryathlon)

WBOP Schools Surf Comp 2024—Thursday 14 March (Swell Permitting) Waihi Bch Surf Club. This is  
for competent surfers and parental supervision is compulsory.

Email [sports@katikati.school.nz](mailto:sports@katikati.school.nz) by Friday 1 March if interested.

Christine Townsend, Sports Co-ordinator, Email: [sports@katikati.school.nz](mailto:sports@katikati.school.nz)



**SPACES STILL AVAILABLE!!** lessons commence Week 3 of Term 1. Collect forms from office.

Each instrument/group is \$206 per student. Forms available from the school office.

**Enquiries contact Jojette Drost - MEP Co-ordinator M: 027 246 6303**

**Email: [rsheerin.jdrost@kinect.co.nz](mailto:rsheerin.jdrost@kinect.co.nz)**

- **RHYTHM AND PERCUSSION (RAP):** For children aged 5-7 years. A fun program, designed for beginner students in music, to expand the childrens' natural rhythm and listening skills by using and exploring a wide variety of untuned and tuned percussion instruments, and movement to music.

- **UKULELE:** For children aged 6 years + Students must have a ukulele at home plus a clearfile to [bring to school each lesson day](#). (School provides ukuleles during lessons)

- **RECORDER:** For children aged 6 years + Students must have their own recorder and clearfile to bring to school each lesson day.

- **GUITAR:** For children aged 8 years + Students must have their own guitar at home plus a clearfile to bring to school each lesson day (School provides guitars during lessons)

- **KEYBOARD:** For children aged 7 years + Students must have their own keyboard at home and a clearfile to bring to school each lesson day. (School provides keyboards during lessons)

- **DRUMS:** For children aged 8 years + No drum kit required but drumsticks needed.

- **MARIMBA:** For children aged 8 years +. A clearfile is required to bring to school each lesson day. Practice at home could be done on a keyboard or glockenspiel.

- **CHOIR:** For all ages - A clearfile is required to bring to school each lesson day.





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## TERM CALENDAR.

*THIS CALENDAR DOES CHANGE AND OUR ADVICE IS TO CHECK FOR CHANGES*

- 28 February—BOT Meeting
- 5 March—Team 1 Disco
- 5 March— Team 2 Swimming (p/p 7 March)
- 6 March—Team 2 Disco
- 7 March—Team 3 Disco
- 12 March—Senior Competitive Swimming Sports (p/p 14 March)
- 15 March—New Entrant Opening Morning
- 19 March—Team 1 Swimming Sports afternoon (p/p 20 March)
- 21 March—WBEET Aspiring Future Leaders
- 26 March —North Cluster Swim Sports
- 27 March—BOT Meeting
- 28 March—MUFTI DAY
- 29 March—Good Friday
- 1&2 April—School closed for Easter

CHAIRPERSON:

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Fundraising for our school



'Katikati Primary School POTS Group' - Fundraising & Events 'POTS Peeps' - Helpers page. Check us out today!

Seasons for Growth Childrens Programs will be running at school again this year.



### What is the Seasons for Growth Program?

Seasons for Growth is for children (6-12yrs) experiencing change and loss through family separation; loss, death, imprisonment, or illness of someone they care about; relocation and immigration; living away in out-of-home care; or natural disasters. Seasons for Growth is based on the belief that change and loss are part of life, and grief is a normal response to these losses. This 8-week program supports children to develop the skills and attitudes to understand and respond well to experiences of change and loss. The program offers children a safe place to come together in small groups and share their experiences. Participants learn that they are not alone in their experience of change and loss and learn skills that help them adapt. Many children enjoy the program so much, they want to do it again!

Level1: 6-8 years – Katikati Primary School – Fridays – 1:40PM

Level2: 9-10 years – Katikati Primary School – Fridays – 1:40PM

Level3: 1-12 years – Katikati Primary School – Mondays – 3PM

Enroll online at [www.seasonsforgrowth.weebly.com](http://www.seasonsforgrowth.weebly.com) or ask the office for an enrolment form.

For more information call/text the coordinator on 022 0434060 or email [katikati@seasons.org.nz](mailto:katikati@seasons.org.nz)