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# TERM 2 VALUE:

"Respect"

"Whakaute"

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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.

<u>End of Term:</u> Term two ends this Friday the 30th June. The new term starts on Monday the 17th July. We hope you find time to enjoy with your children over the holidays.

## <u>Matariki</u>

Children across the school have been taking part in a range of activities to celebrate Matariki, the Maori New Year. One of the favourite activities has been the creation of Matariki stars. Here are some of the creations from the Matakana Pod.



#### Kapa Haka Performance

One of the highlights to our Matariki celebrations at school will be a performance by our Kapa Haka. The children will be performing tomorrow, Thursday 29th June. We had initially planned to have the performance on Matakana deck, however due to the unpredictability of the weather, we have decided to move it into the hall instead. To accommodate the whole school, the group will perform twice. Whanau are welcome to join us at 10.30am in the hall. We look forward to seeing you then.

#### School Discos

Our school discos are always really popular with the children as well as being a great fundraiser for the school. POTS are organising discos for each year level in Week 3 of next term. Additional information will come out at the start of next term. <text>

# Bay Of Plenty Cross Country

Huge congratulations to Jade Rounds who has made it through to the Bay of Plenty Cross Country Championships. To take part in this competition Jade had to come within the top fifteen runners at the Western Bay Competition, Jade placed 9th. This is an amazing achievement, we are very proud of her.

# Mid Year Reports

Just a reminder that the children's reports are coming home this week. The reports will let you know your child's reading age and their curriculum level for Maths and Writing. When you look at these levels, please bear in mind that we are only halfway through the year and the children will continue to make progress throughout the next 6 months. If you have any concerns about your child's learning, remember we are always here to help. You are welcome to make an appointment with your child's teacher at any time during the year. Either email your child's teacher (addresses are available on our website) or contact the school office to make an appointment.

## MacMillan takes out the win for Term 2

Well done to our winning house for the term, MacMillan. The children in this house have been working consistently hard to earn house points and as a reward had a sausage and ice block last Friday to celebrate. Have a look at the picture to see how much they enjoyed their early lunch.



#### Ruben the Road Safety Bear

Early next term Ruben the Road Safety Bear, who is also known as Rūpene te Pea Haumaru Huarahi, will be visiting the children in Team 1. Ruben/ Rūpene is the Waikato Regional Council's road safety mascot who teaches children aged up to about 7 years old about road safety through fun interactive lessons and supporting resources. The children are looking forward to his visit.

# School Fence Update

The installers are making good progress with our school fence which should be finished before the beginning of next term. They are just finishing off the panels on the backfield and will be installing the gates. The fencing will make our school safer for the children, so we are looking forward to having it completed. Next term the school gates will be closed once the bell has gone to keep our youngest students, and some with additional needs, from leaving the grounds during the school day. This will make it even more important that children arrive at school on time each morning.

## Book Fair and Book Character Dress Up Day

Just to give you plenty of advanced warning that we will be holding a Scholastics Book Fair early next term. During the Book Fair on the 18th August we will be having a Character Dress Up Day. The children have loved dressing up as their favourite character when we have done this in the past. I wanted to give you plenty of warning in case the children wanted to make a hat or mask during the holidays to wear.

<u>Seasons for Growth Term 3</u>: Seasons for Growth will be starting in Term 3 for children from 7 years up. This programme aims to strengthen the social and emotional wellbeing of children who are dealing with significant life changes. Seasons for Growth is a program of 8 sessions which takes place at school.

SFG will commence in Week 2 of Term 3 Wednesday 26th July and will be facilitated by 2 trained companions from SEASONS Katikati branch. If you think your son or daughter would benefit from SFG we would encourage you to talk to them about this.

We are very fortunate that the coordinator for Seasons will be Diana Donker who works in our school. Diana has a wealth of experience supporting children who are going through changes in their lives. If you would like your child to be involved in the programme in Term 3 please contact Diana at katikati@seasons.org.nz or 0220434060.



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## WBOP CROSS COUNTRY

KKPS had a team of 4 children compete at the WBOP Cross Country on Tuesday 13th June. Special congratulations to Jade Rounds who placed 9th in the Year 4 Girls which puts her through to the BOP Cross Country. Well done also to our Year 6 boys Alex Hollows, Alex Scott and Monty Groenewald on an awesome effort with some very tough competition at this level.

## BOP CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to Jade Rounds who attended the BOP Cross Country on Tuesday 27th June at Woodlands School in Opotiki. She had a great race on this extremely muddy and hilly course and placed 20th in the Year 4 Girls. Well done Jade we are so proud of you!

#### HOCKEY Year 3 & 4

Tauranga HOCKEY is offering HOCKEY to all year 3 and 4 children again in Term 3. This is a 6 week programme run on Wednesday afternoons held at Omokoroa for only \$23 and starts the first week back! Please contact Keri Ann van Doorne to register 022 351 0502.

## **TERM 3 GYMNASTICS**

The Gymnastics Academy Term 3 at KKPS School Hall, Friday 21st July – 15th September – 3.15–4.15pm–\$125. Book online at www.thegymnasticacademy.com or Call Marie 021 170 5426

## Inter-schools Tumbling Championships 2023

The Peaks Sports Centre, Rototuna, Hamilton. Sunday 3rd September - Entry: \$55. Register: www.thegymnasticacademy.com/events/

## <u>Mini Golf Tauranga Whanau Golf Fun Day</u>

Date: Saturday 29th July Time: 10am to 11am Who: This is open to anyone, and teams can be made up of a mix of mum, dad, siblings, and/or grandparents (Maximum of five per team). Cost: \$20 per Whanau. Register: Please follow this link to register - https://forms.office.com/r/24SQFZKJTj

You are welcome to email a brief paragraph to sports@katikati.school.nz to let us know any great achievements by your children in sport to include in the newsletter.

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