

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Welcome back to school for Term 2. We extend a warm welcome to our new children and their whānau. Term 2 is an awesome learning term for our students where we can continue to make great progress with their learning and consolidate Term 1's work.

Staff Changes for Term 2:

We welcome Mrs Sue Waitai and Ms Amanda Gardner to our Team 3 teaching staff for this term. Mrs Waitai will be teaching in Rm 19 and Whaea Amanda in Rm 26 to cover the days that Mrs Gibbons-Campbell and Miss Graveson step into the acting DP roles.



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Year 5 and 6 Expectations:

Our school wide focus on our "Top 5 Expectations" for behaviour continues in 2024. These expectations place an emphasis on our school values and what the expected behaviours would look like. We encourage you to talk to your child about the 'Top 5' so this can become a common language between school and home.

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Uniform:

With the colder weather settling in, students do need to come to school in a school jumper. If it is not raining at break times students will be outside and it can be chilly. Students need to be in the correct school uniform each day, including:

- Katikati Primary School shirt and jumper
- Dark navy or black pants/skirts/shorts with no decoration
- Shorts/skirts/leggings need to be an appropriate length
- House t-shirts on Fridays and Sports Days
- Year 6's Leavers Hoodies are able to be worn as part of their school uniform (they are due to arrive early in Term 2)

Taking pride in oneself and showing respect are part of our ERICA values and being proud to wear our school uniform is a way we show this.

Please ensure clothing is clearly named on the garment. If your child has lost an item, please check the school's Lost Property in the Rata Room - outside the library next to Room 14.

Cross Country:

Cross Country training starts this week, with all classes participating on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning for 20 minutes. We encourage all students to take part in these training sessions, whether it be running, jogging or walking. These training sessions build towards our school wide Cross Country which is taking place in Week 4. More information about this event will come out closer to the time, with date, time and volunteer help.

Treasuring Our Place:

After a very successful programme in 2023, we will continue to take part in the Treasuring Our Place Programme, run in consultation between the school and the Western Bay of Plenty Museum. This year we will be focusing on Healthy Forests and Animal and Plant Pests, using visits to our school gully and nursery to support our learning. Each class will participate in 6 in-class sessions and practical sessions in helping look after the gully and nursery. Detailed information for parents of the classes involved this term, will be sent out this week.

Team 3 Afternoon Rotation:

Over the next 2 terms, our students will be taking part in a Wider Curriculum Rotation on Thursday afternoons. On a 3 week rotation, each class will participate in a range of learning activities based around Music, Dance, Drama, Visual Art, Te Reo and Digital Technologies. We encourage all students to participate in these activities and enjoy learning across the different areas of the curriculum.

Term 2 Reports:

At the end of this term, all students will receive their formal report. This report will report on your child's reading, writing and maths and progress across the wider curriculum made so far this year. Please do not hesitate to email your child's teacher to make an appointment to catch up, to check in about your child's learning, progress made and any questions you may have.

Sanitary Products

The MOE and MOH have supplied our school with sanitary products/packs that are available for our girls to use. If your daughter needs support in asking for these packs, please contact her teacher or send a note into school. We have sanitary bins available in certain bathrooms across the school.

Dates to Remember:

- **Photolife:** Wednesday 8th May
- **Open Afternoon:** Wednesday 15th May from 2.00pm
- **Cross Country:** Thursday 23rd May (pp Friday 24th May)
- **Teacher Only Day:** Friday 31st May
- **King's Birthday:** Monday 3rd June
- **North Cluster Cross Country:** Tuesday 4th June (pp Thursday 6th June)
- **Fresh Moves:** Wednesday 5th June
- **WBOP Cross Country:** Tuesday 25th June (pp Thursday 27th June)
- **Matariki:** Friday 28th June
- **End of Term 2:** Friday 5th July

Communication:

Please read the school fortnightly newsletter carefully when it comes home for more information about all events that are happening across the school. The school's website <http://www.katikati.school.nz/> is also a good place to look for the school newsletters. You can also check out our facebook page at facebook.com/katikatiprimaryschool.

If you have any questions, queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher. Our Team Leader and DP can also be contacted if you have ongoing concerns.

Kind regards,
Team 3 Teachers