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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Te Karere a te Kura Tuatahi

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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.

Celebrating our Cultural Diversity

Malo e lelei/Tena koutou

We have two very special weeks coming up. Next week our students will be celebrating Tongan Language Week. This is a time we celebrate **our school's diversity by recognising the language spoken by a large** number of our Katikati community. Children may learn Tongan songs, numbers, greetings, a Tongan legend or be involved in some art projects that reflect the Tongan culture.

Te wiki o te reo Māori takes place the following week between the 12th and 16th September. Kia Kaha te reo Māori is the theme for this year's Māori Language Week. 'Kia Kaha' means 'be strong'.

To assist us in making the Māori language strong we will use this week to check in with our Maori pronunciation and to learn some new phrases. There may be legends, art, skills and sports that our children will be enjoying as well.

We have plenty of experts to draw on in our classrooms, so be sure to ask your child what they have been doing in regard to either of these important national events.

School Photographs—Wednesday 14th September

Class and individual photos will be taken on Wednesday 14th September. If you wish to have your children photographed together, a sibling form can be collected from the office at the end of this week. These are to be handed in, on or before Tuesday 13th September. At a later date, QR codes will be sent home to enable you to view and purchase the photo's online.

Visiting Author: We are very excited to have local author Nicole Miller coming to read to children in our middle school. Last year Nicole released her debut book, Celia Seagull and the Plastic Sea, which teaches children about the issues with pollution in our environment. Nicole will read her book to the children before giving them an opportunity to ask questions about writing and publishing a book. It's great to have a Katikati local inspiring our children.

Thank You: The Acorn Foundation enables people from the Western Bay to support their local community on an on-going basis. People make a donation in their will and because the Foundation invests the money, the gifts made are paid out year after year. We are extremely grateful to Mr. Alan Goodyear who nominated our school to benefit from his son's fund. This year donations from this fund have paid for: House of Science boxes; a Maths Whizz subscription; the creation of a new spelling programme for the school; additional Teacher Aide time and for our new Kapa Haka tutor. This support is extremely generous and has enabled us to provide experiences and learning opportunities for the children which we would otherwise not be able to pay for. We are very grateful to the Goodyear family for their sponsorship. To check out more about the Acorn Foundation please go to www.acornfoundation.org.nz.

Every School Day is a Big Day: Over the coming weeks you will be seeing the government's new campaign to encourage regular school attendance, which has dropped off since Covid. Our school is our community and we love seeing your children here every day - we miss them when they aren't here! Their friends miss them also. This is a period in your child's life when they may well be developing friendships which will last a lifetime. At primary school children enjoy learning with their friends and having fun in the playground. It is also a vital part of their education as they develop the literacy and numeracy skills which will set them up for success when they become adults.

We know that there are a wide range of reasons why children sometimes don't come to school. We will help to overcome any barriers we are aware of e.g. lack of lunch, uniform or stationery. We have very few cases of Covid at school at the moment, no new cases having been reported to us this week. If your child is away it is important you let us know why, otherwise it defaults to being recorded as truant which isn't a fair reflection for your child.

Attending regularly at primary school is vital for your child to learn the literacy and numeracy skills they need to be successful at college and in the future. They will also enjoy a range of fun activities and develop important friendships. Please help us



to help your child by sending them to school regularly. If you need help to get your child to school, we are here, please reach out.

Scholastic Bookfair

Kia ora koutou! We wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support of our Scholastic Book Fair this year. To all the families who made purchases, we'd like to extend a heartfelt thank you on behalf of our School Library. Your generous support has earned us over \$2700 in new books for our school library collection. This year was our best year ever in terms of new books earned at a Scholastic Book Fair, and we so appreciate your generous support in helping us ignite a lifelong passion for reading in our tamariki. Thank you as well to our POTS volunteers who were so generous in setting aside time to support us in the running of this year's Book Fair. Your support was so deeply appreciated. Thank you! Rhiannon Myers, Librarian



New Entrant Open Morning

If your child is staring at school in Term 4 we welcome you to come to our Ready for Learning Open morning Friday September 2nd from 9.30 to 11.00am. Please bring a piece of fruit for fruit break.

All children need to have 3 visits before starting at school so this is an ideal opportunity for one of those visits as well as hearing all about the Ready for Learning classrooms.

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OMOKOROA RIPPA RUGBY MODULES

TERM 4 RIPPA RUGBY FOR YEARS 0-6 Boys and Girls

Mondays after school: 31st October – 5th December

Cost: \$13.00. Game times are between 4-6pm

Held at Omokoroa Sports Ground, Western Ave.

This is great fun for the kids but we can only register teams if we have parents offer to help coach/

manage these teams. Registrations are open on our Kindo School Shop, this is our preferred method of registration. You will find our Kindo School Shop on our school website www.katikati.school.nz click on SPORTS then Kindo School Shop. For those unable to register online you can do so at our school office. Registrations close Friday 9th September.



WBOP INTER SCHOOL TENNIS TOURNAMENT – YR 5/6

Tuesday 25th October 2022 at WBOP Tennis Association Courts, Gordon Spratt Reserve, Papamoa

Cost: \$15.00 per player. To register or for more info contact sports@katikati.school.nz before 26th September.

GIVE IT A GO CRICKET - SUPERSMASH HUB

TUESDAYS - 3.30PM AT KATIKATI COLLEGE - STARTING 1ST NOV

A 6 week "give it a go" programme for year 1-4 boys and girls. Cost \$30. Through inclusive games and making friends, children develop skills such as throw, catch and strike, join your local SuperSmash hub now. Registration details can be found at www.ndcricket.co.nz/play

Email us to let us know any great achievements by your children in sport to include in the newsletter.

Christine Townsend

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Fundraising for our school!



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

TERM CALENDAR.

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

- 2 September—9.30-11 Ready for Learning Open Morning for N/E
- 14 September—Photolife
- 15th September—Muftiday
- 28th September—BOT Meeting
- 30th September—Term 3 ends—school holidays.
- 17th October—Term 4 starts
- 24th October—Labour Day (public holiday)
- 27 October—National Shake Out Day
- 28 October—World Teacher Day

PARENT P.R.E.P WORKSHOP — for all families with disabled children

We would love to have you join us at our Parent P.R.E.P workshop. P.R.E.P stands for Preparing to Transition, Recruiting Support Workers, Enabling good Lives and Possibilities for the Future. This workshop is an opportunity for families to connect with others to learn about navigating the system, gaining an understanding of the EGL principles and learn how to use these principles to achieve the best life for all.

Topics covered on the day will be: Navigating the system, securing NASC funding, vision, aspirations and goals, recruiting staff and how to maximise them to achieve, and EGL framework, principles and possibilities

When: Saturday 3rd September

Where: 9 am-at The Arts Junction Theatre, 36 Main Road, Katikati

Who: All families with disabled children

Cost: Free—lunch provided

Contact us to register. Jane Ford—Coastal Bay of Plenty Co-ordinator

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