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Kia Ora to Parents, Caregivers and Whanau of James Street School.



Our teaching focus for **Growing Great Learners** this week is: We are Safe We are Respectful. We are learning to manage ourselves at morning tea and lunchtime, when it is a wet lunchtime and we are inside.

What does that look like?

- Sitting and eating on the lino or at a table until finished.
- Being responsible for your own rubbish.
- Playing quiet inside games.

Why is this important?

- Because we need to ensure we are fueling our brains ready for learning.
- So that our class remains clean and tidy.
- To allow everyone to have something to do and a calm room to do this in.

Money has been spent on appropriate board games, cards, puzzles and construction equipment for all classrooms for use on wet days. Students do not have access to ipads or chromebooks at morning tea or lunchtime due to our Cybersafety policy.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniform is available at the office. Coming into the cooler months we have long black cotton cargos or long black trackpants available, our school polo shirts and school polar fleeces. We have plenty of second hand polar fleeces available also.

Our kiwaha for this week is:

Whakamarama mai koa

Please explain Whakamarama mai koa

Teachers can use this kiwaha both in the classroom and playground.

When asking students to explain their thinking to others they could say, "Whakamarama mai koa."

Students can also use this kiwaha when asking another student or their teacher if they don't understand... "Whakamarama mai koa."

This week Crystelle from Kahikatea and Amber from Puriri are leading the kiwaha. Nga mihi ki a korua—congratulations girls.

This is one way that are our students are stepping up into leadership roles.

ATTENDANCE



Attendance at school is crucial for learning and forming social relationships with others.

Last week Malachi won the draw for being at school each day in Week Three.

Nga mihi ki a koe Malachi.

Congratulations Malachi.

What happens at our place during the lunch hour?

Lunchtime runs from 12.45 pm to 1.45 pm.

Students are supervised for the first 15 minutes on the court, while they eat their lunch. Lunch is provided for any student who requires it.

Once students are released from the eating area there are a variety of activities they can take part in or they play their own games. We have many activities available for students at lunchtime.

- ☺ Biking is a very popular activity and the students delight in showing off their skills, whether it is on the pump track or balancing on their back wheel.
- ☺ There is an organised sport game each day. This term that is: soccer, touch rugby, uni-hoc and basketball.



- ☺ Gardening is available for those students who wish to weed, plant or look after our vege gardens.
- ☺ The library is open and children gather there to read, colour in, chat or dress up.
- ☺ Each Wednesday Mrs Pam Eatwell is available for students to chat to and she also provides craft activities for the students to make things.
- ☺ A group of Year 6 students have organised a gymnastics rotation for 3 lunchtimes a week. They have planned each session appropriate to year groups.
- ☺ Many imaginative games are also played; yesterday it was with the autumn leaves.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS:

31 May - Spellathon testing. Sponsorship forms need to be at school by this date please.

1 June - Whole school Cross Country and Whanau picnic—Awatapu Lagoon. 11.30am start.

20 June - Matariki Celebration. 11.00 am start. (Please note - We have had to change this date from 13 June.)

27 June - School will finish early at 1.45pm. Teachers will be attending a Paid Union meeting.

4 July - School will finish early at 1.45pm. This will allow teachers to hold Parent, Teacher and Student interviews—Korero Mai 2. This will not affect students in Rata, Totara and Matai.

6 July - Shared learning and kai for students in Rata, Totara and Matai and their whanau.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS:

WHAKATANE COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP

Open 9am—1pm—MONDAYS—at James Street School
Pohutukawa Room

NO COST—FREE. MORNING TEA PROVIDED

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Kia pai to rā. Have a great day.

Kind Regards

Roz Dakin, Acting Principal

