

James Street School

Week Five Term Two 2019 - 28 May

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School will be closed for instruction tomorrow, Wednesday 29 May. All primary and secondary school teachers will be on strike. This will be a National Day of Action for the future of education in New Zealand.

We believe in our tamariki! We STILL want more time to lead, more time to teach and more support for our tamariki with additional learning needs. Kua tae te wā - It's time.

Thank you to all the school whanau who are supporting us.

Last week the 2019 Student Leaders and aspiring 2020 student leaders spent two nights away at the Blue Light Lodge in Wairakei Village, Taupo. Leadership amongst our tamariki takes on many forms; leading learning, culturally, on the sportsfield or within the arts (nga toi). 'What characteristics does a leader have' was just one of the questions up for discussion while the students were away.



What's on this week?

- Wednesday 29th May is a National Day of Action - all teachers will be on strike and school will be closed for instruction. No staff will be on site.
- Thursday 30th May is our annual Cross Country event. This is held at the Awatapu Lagoon. Meet us there or come to school and walk down with the children at 11:00am. The racing will begin at 11:30am with the 7, 8, 9 and then 10 and 11 year olds; followed by the 6 then 5 year olds.
- Friday 31st is our annual Teacher / Teacher Aide Only Day for all staff from most of the schools in Whakatane. We are all meeting for a day of learning at Trident High School.

What's coming up next week?

- Monday 3 June - Public Holiday - Queen's Birthday
- Wednesday 5 June is 50 VOJO points rewards time. Tamariki can choose from: Bikes/scooters, skipping ropes/hula hoops, music and dance or free play.

Daily Kiwaha This week our kiwaha is 'Haere tonu - keep going - haere tonu'. It was great to hear the children supporting their mates yesterday at Cross Country practise ... Haere tonu e hoa! Keep going my friend! Haere tonu!

Growing Great Learners We are Safe - We know how to be cybersafe. In classrooms this looks like all screens facing into the room, appropriate learning sites being accessed and no sharing of passwords.

We love to learn - Kei te aroha matou ki te matauranga!



Kia pai to rā - have a great day.

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Principal