James Street School

Week Seven Term Two 2023 - 7 June 2023

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Congratulations to Indy and Wai-Ariki from Ti Kouka class, who confidently led our celebration assembly last Friday.

Congratulations to all our runners who participated at the Inter School event at Ohope Beach School last week. Thanks to our parent supporters who were able to assist with transport and cheering on the day. Auryn placed 4th in the 11 year old boys, Baedyn placed 8th in the 8 year old boys and Shontay placed 5th in the 10 year old girls. Their placings take them to Opotiki tomorrow to participate in the Eastern Bay of Plenty event.

Kei te whakamana mātou - we are soooooo proud of you.







I have just had two delightful writers from Tawa come to visit me and share their writing. Kalious: I eat meat. I live in cold places. I can howl. I live in a pack. What am I?

Luxem: I have no legs. I have fangs. I can live in deserts. What am I?





Both boys were so excited to share their writing. "We have written clues, we used a question mark even!"

What's on this week?

- Pohutukawa class will be planting the 890 seedlings that Mrs Forster's class grew last year, through the Trees for Survival programme. This is happening tomorrow at the spawning site on Ferry Road. Halo and the Regional Council will be supporting the planting and are providing a sausage sizzle for the kids at the end of the morning. Thanks to the five whanau (not in Pohutukawa) who returned the slip to say they are wishing to be involved. Leah and Hannah, Adie, Acacia and Indigo. Come to school as normal; check in with your teacher and then go to Pohutukawa. Your whanau can walk down with us or meet us at Ferry Road.
- Rata class are visiting the Awatapu Lagoon as part of the Waiora Project with HALO, on Friday.
- Rata will be leading our celebration assembly on Friday. This will take place under the shade area at 12:15pm.

What's coming up next week?

- I will be away on Monday and Tuesday with our local Kahui Ako principals. We are visiting schools in Hamilton. Mrs Byrne will be Acting Principal during my absence.
- Scholastic Book Club orders close on Wednesday.
- Matai class is leading our celebration assembly on Friday.

Attendance at school

This year we are giving out certificates for attendance. Each week one student will be selected from each class to receive a certificate for being at school every day. These are awarded at Friday's celebration assembly.

Week Six winners were: Hunter Hori, Chief, Levi C, Ragnar, Tatum, Aaron, Riley Hayes, Mason (Rata), Phoenix, George, Rakaia and Tamahlya. Nga mihi ki a koutou - congratulations.

Term Two	90 to 100% present Regularly attending	70 to 89% present Moderately absent	>70% present Chronically absent
Week One	198 students - 75.29%	5 students - 1.9%	60 students - 22.81%
Week Five	170 students - 65.64%	45 students - 17.37%	44 students - 16.99%
Week Six	128 students - 49.23%	61 students - 23.46%	71 students - 27.31%

We had a lot of children away last week - as you can see. Many of them were too unwell to be at school.

If your child is away for any reason, we need to know. You can:

- ring the school and leave a message 3086855
- text me with a message 0272604859
- send a dojo message to your child's teacher
- use Skool Loop absentee tab

and **please give the reason**. We have to code all absences for the Ministry. If you don't give a reason it goes in as explained and unjustified.

Our new order of rain jackets has arrived. Please let the office know if your child requires one.

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Growing Great Learners is our positive approach to teaching behaviour. Each week we have a learning focus and the behaviour is explicitly taught. DOJO points are given to tamariki who are actively displaying positive behaviour. Special rewards are held during the term for students who collect 50 and 100 DOJO points. DOJOs are also given out in the playground; these go into the aroha bucket and special draws are made at our celebration assembly each Friday.

Ngā mihi ki a koutou to Millah, Owen, Lyric R, Jackson T, Koby and Braxton A who were drawn out of the aroha bucket at last week's assembly.

Te Reo Maori me ona Tikanga

We start each morning with a karakia/prayer and a himene. Each week we learn a new kiwaha/phrase in Te Reo Maori and use it as often as we can during the day. Our kiwaha leaders this week are Neytiri and Adie.

This week our kiwaha is: **Kei te pehea koe? How are you? Kei te pehea koe?** (We use this kiwaha when speaking to one person)

Pop in anytime for a chat or give me a ring. Kia pai to rā - have a great day.

Roz Dakin Principal