JAMES STREET SCHOOL

Term One Week Four 2024 - 20 February Wāhanga Tuatahi Wiki Tuawha - tekau ma wha o Hui-tanguru



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Welcome to our new students and their whānau who have started with us in the past week: Hayley, Matekoraha, Halisa and Reign.

Thank you to all the whānau who came to **Korero Mai** last week (or are coming this week) and shared your dreams and aspirations for your children with us.

Raising Concerns: If you have a concern about your own child or one of our other students, contact the student's class teacher or me to discuss the matter. The school monitors, records, and responds appropriately to any concerns about a student's safety and welfare. If your concern relates to another student, you must not approach that student or their parents/caregivers/whānau directly. Speak to their teacher or me.

This week's **Kiwaha Maori** is Manaaki tātou i a tātou - look after each other - manaaki tātou i a tātou
Our himene is Wairua Tapu.

Our kiwaha presenters are Eva, Hezekiah and Millah.

Our learning for **Growing Great Learners** this week is based on our Noho Marae.

How can we be respectful when visiting Pupuaruhe marae?

- Understanding tikanga
- Using kupu we know
- Being proud

Aroha Bucket - this is drawn each Friday at our celebration assembly

Ngā mihi ki a koutou to: *Jess, Jonny, Colton, Shaolin, Riley H, Hunter H, Kiana, Ihaka, Stormy, Raria and Maddie.*

Parking

Please park respectfully on both James Street and Henderson Street - not on our neighbours' berms or in their driveways, or on yellow lines.

Please do not try to park inside the school grounds and cause congestion. The parks inside the gates are for parents of students with High learning Needs, the Go Bus vans who pick up students and Bizzy Buddyz who also pick up students. Please do not walk through these car parks, use the pedestrian gates by the office and in front of the pedestrian crossing.

Thank you for following our car park safety rules 😊

Attendance

'Regular' attendance is defined for statistical purposes as 90% or higher. However, Ministry of Education analysis shows every day has a cumulative impact on a child's learning and there is no 'safe' level of non-attendance. **Every day matters**.

If your child is away from school, please let us know. You can do this by:

- Ringing 3086855 and leaving a message
- Texting 0272604859
- Using Skool Loop Absentee button
- Using the fb messenger option

Leave your child's name, class and the reason why they are away. We have to report to the Ministry on absences - whether they are medical, a justified reason (eg a family bereavement), an explained reason (eg going shopping). If you don't contact us and we can't contact you the absence is recorded as truant.

What's on this week:

- The EBOP Junior Touch Tournament is being held on Thursday. If you have returned the slip saying you are available to transport and/or supervise thank you. Please be at school, in Puriri class, by 8:30am.
- Tawa class is leading our Celebration Assembly on Friday morning 8:45am under the shade area. You are welcome to come along and celebrate with us.

What's coming up:

- Next week is our **NOHO MARAE** week. If your child hasn't returned their permission slip yet, we need all slips returned by tomorrow. Kaiako (class teachers) will be in touch this week if you have offered support. Everyone is welcome to accompany us at the powhiri on Monday morning. **KIA ORA**.
- FUN 4 U is on 29 February for our Year 1 to 3 tamariki. It is a fun morning held at Rex Morpeth Park. Parent helpers will be required for transport.

Whakatane Kahui Ako

The Whakatane Kahui Ako is made up of ten schools and nineteen ECE who work together to provide the best education possible in our Whakatane district. Our schools are James Street, Allandale, Apanui, Awakeri, Ohope Beach, St Joseph's, Te Kura ō te Pāroa, Whakatane Intermediate, Trident HS and Whakatane HS.

The vision for our Kahui Ako is to develop partnerships, to improve hauora for students and staff and to raise achievement.

The focuses for the next two years are:

- Iwi connections we are continuing to build staff knowledge
- Developing a Graduate Profile for all students
- First 1000 days oral language focus with Talking Matters
- Supporting akonga with additional learning needs
- Upskilling our middle management leads
- Supporting our ECEs

Celebrating learners

Harvey and Skie were both very proud of their maths thinking and Parker, his writing.







Feel free to pop in for a chat - my door is usually open. If there is anything you think we can support with please ask. Ngā mihi nui

