

James Street School

Week Eight Term Two 2021 - 22 June

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What's on this week?

- We are holding two Matariki DISCOs this Friday; one for the Year 1 to 3 tamariki at 4:00pm and one for the Year 4 to 6 tamariki at 5:15pm. Check on Class Dojo for all the details.

What's coming up next week?

- Student-Led Conferences are taking place on June 30 and July 1. School will close at lunchtime on June 30 so conferences can begin at 1:00pm and run to 6:00pm. Conferences will run from 3:00pm to 6:00pm on July 1. This is an opportunity for your child to share their learning and goals with you.

This week's SPOTLIGHT

Lane was congratulated by the local Police last week for helping them out with one of our new students who got a bit lost on the way to school. Lane took charge of the situation and brought the child safely to school, after he informed the police that he knew the little boy, he was in his class and he would take him to school. Thanks Lane - for being safe, respectful, proud and kind!



Te Reo Maori me ona Tikanga

We start each morning with a karakia/prayer, followed by a himene/song. Each week we learn a new kiwaha/phrase in Te Reo Maori and use it as often as we can during the day. This week our kiwaha is

Haere mai ki konei - Please come here - Haere mai ki konei

Our waiata is He Honore.

Attendance Matters

Attendance has a direct impact on student achievement, sense of belonging and overall well-being. If a student misses five school days each term, or one day a fortnight, they will miss the equivalent of one year of school over 10 years. As the level of absenteeism grows, the difficulty of re-engaging in learning can grow exponentially.

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 morning.

This week our learning focus is *We are Safe - I can breathe; I can self manage*. We can manage how we respond to situations by choosing and using techniques that help to calm us down, and make us feel good about ourselves.

On the field, I can help myself by:

- ★ stopping
- ★ walking away
- ★ taking a big breath
- ★ counting to 10 slowly
- ★ using self talk to remind myself I am good enough

In the class, I can help myself by:

- ★ going to my chill zone: walking away to a safe place *in* my class
- ★ using self talk to help me feel good about myself
- ★ getting a drink of water
- ★ using a tennis ball or squeezey ball
- ★ reading the wall of gratitude in my class

What's Coming Up

- Senior Reports will be handed out at conferences.
- Junior interim/anniversary reports that are due, will be handed out at conferences.
- On **Friday July 2nd** the teachers will be attending a learning day about Reading from two top NZ facilitators - Sheena Cameron and Louise Dempsey. This is a **Teacher Only Day**.
- Keep **July 8** free if you can for our Whanaungatanga Day - **celebrating Matariki with a hakari**.
- We have the Life Education caravan here from June 29 to July 8.
- Term 2 ends on July 9.

Pop in anytime for a chat or give me a ring.

Kia pai to rā - have a great day.

Roz Dakin

Principal

Student-led Conference Booking - Return to office

Child's name	Child's class	Day Wednesday / Thursday	Time Wed: 1pm to 5:45pm Thurs: 3pm to 5:45pm

Make sure your child gives you the booking slip confirming your day and time.