

James Street School

Week Six Term Four 2023 - 14 November

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Welcome to our new student and whānau who has started school with us this week: Erica. Our Noho Marae at Te Whare o Toroa was an outstanding success last week. Thank you to all our whānau who supported both our tamariki and kaiako. If you haven't seen all the pikitia on our facebook page, have a look.



What's on this week?

- Interschool Athletics is being held tomorrow at Athletic Park. Postponement date is the 17th. Miss Knowles runs this Inter School event. Ana and I will transport the team to and from the park. We have a team of 30 athletes going to represent our school in a range of field and track events.
- Kahikatea is leading our celebration assembly on Friday at 8:45am.

What's coming up next week?

- There is a Teacher Only Day on Monday for all the Whakatane schools in our Kahui Ako. School is closed.
- Our current Year 6 Road Patrollers have their treat at the Aquatic Centre on Friday.
- The junior classes are holding an 'Athletics Showcase' on Friday morning.
- Manuka class is leading assembly on Friday.

2024

To help with 2024 class planning if you have a child turning 5 or you have neighbours or whanau who have children turning 5, please pop in and get an enrolment form.

We are now fully staffed for next year; the year groups as follows. If you have a request for 2024 please see me this week. We are returning to working in two teams; a Year 1 to 3 team and a Year 4 to 6 team. Mrs Jones (Nic) has very exciting news - her and her husband are expecting twins in March. Nic will be at school, but not in a classroom for the start of the year.

New Entrants / Year 1	Alison Elliott / Sarah Judd	Year 4 and 5	Jodie Knowles
Year 1 and 2	Julie Allerby	Year 4 and 5	Giichi Goto
Year 1 and 2	Louisa Breakwell	Year 4 and 5	Nicki Awhimate
Year 2 and 3	Sharlene Beard	Year 5 and 6	Tammy Wallace
Year 2 and 3	Awaiting confirmation	Year 5 and 6	Linda Tutua
Year 1 to 6 - High Learning Needs	Natalie Jones Apara Tueau-Strong	Year 5 and 6	Jadene Wilde / Shelley Forster

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. This week each class is focusing on a behaviour that requires support in their classroom.

Congratulations to: Journey M, Parker, Bentley, Eben, Manaia, Joseph, Ragnar, Dimontaex, Marley and Lilly who had their names drawn out of the AROHA bucket on Friday.



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 Faith and Chloe both from Pohutukawa.

This week our kiwaha is **Me haere koe ki te - you need to go to - me haere koe ki te**

Our practise is - Me haere koe ki te wharepukapuka - you need to go to the library / Me haere koe ki te akomanga - you need to go to class.

Our himene is Ko Tenei te Wa.

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. At the end of each term those students with 100% attendance will receive a certificate also.

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

Dates to pop on the calendar:

- 7 December: Year 6 Leavers' celebration
- 12 December: Prize Giving and whanau morning tea, starting at 9:30am
- 15 December: Last day of school, finishing at 12 noon
- 31 January 2024: Term One begins

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

Kia pai to rā - have a great day.

Roz Dakin
Principal