

**14 October 2016**

Kia Ora, Talofa, Fakaalofa Atu, Hello.

Dear parents and Whanau

Welcome to Term Four. It is going to be a very busy end to our school year.

The senior and middle school children will be attending camp and our junior classes will be kept busy learning new skills in football with the support of Central Football coming in and delivering the sessions.

Our School wide focus for the term is Kia Kaha and Nutrition.

The Kia Kaha programmes are:

- Years 1-3 Building a safe, happy classroom
- Years 4-6 A Bully-Free Zone

Both programmes are delivered with the support of the School Community Police Officer. Through these programmes the children will be learning about themselves and how to treat others in respectful ways.

To support the Kia Kaha programme, we are also learning about nutrition, as for many people what we fuel our bodies with can affect our behaviour. Through the Kia Kaha programmes, children are exposed to scenarios which involve making choices and the impact of positive and negative consequences on people. We are going to be linking similar scenarios to food choice as well and the effect they have on our bodies and our behaviour.

The senior classrooms have already touched on nutrition during term 3, so to extend them and the rest of the school we are going to start up our own classroom gardens which will be situated on the front field for easy access to all classrooms. We want to support our children by providing them with opportunities to prepare and taste new foods, learning the practical skills of cooking the foods they grow in their class gardens, which can help them rely less on pre-prepared foods that are likely to be high in fat, sugar, and salt.

During this year we have also been looking at becoming a water only school and to help with

this transition our children have been encouraged to have their own water bottles on their desk and all junior classrooms have individual named cups so children have access to water all day long.

To support us through this journey the Canteen will be having different menus available each day. This allows children to make choices with a limited menu each day. They will still be able to get a pie, have hot chips, lasagne, toasted sandwiches and pizza they will just be available on certain days only. The canteen will also stop selling juice and frozen milk (once stock has been sold) but will have mini bottles of water available and these will be included in the snack packs as well.

These programmes will require support from you, our whanau. These programmes allow families to be proactive in helping their child's learning by providing the information needed to complete the homework tasks and to keep you updated with what is happening in their classroom.

If you have any queries please see your child's teacher and discuss it with them.

Eleanore Barry  
Principal



**Term 4 Dates.**

17 Oct.	Assembly R16
24 Oct.	Labour Day – School Closed
26 – 28 Oct.	Room 15/16 Camp
31 Oct.	Assembly R4
4 Nov.	Disco
10 – 11 Nov.	Room 7/8 Camp
14 Nov.	School Athletics
14 Nov.	Assembly R8
16 Nov.	Final Te Mana
18 Nov.	Final Little Achievers
19 Nov.	PTA Family Portraits
24 Nov.	PTA Twilight Gala
25 Nov.	School closes 1.00 p.m.
28 Nov.	Assembly R2
2 Dec.	Mitre 10 Tough Kids
8 Dec.	Road Patrol Movie
15 Dec.	Leavers Dinner
16 Dec.	Prize-giving assembly 11.30
16 Dec.	Term 4 ends.

## MID-HONOURS AWARD

### Congratulations

*Kymahni  
Shade  
Corey  
Wiremu  
Bailee  
Ryan  
Laykin  
Jethro  
Kailahi  
Mathew  
Nevaeh  
Decade  
Eliza  
Daniel  
Jarvae  
Maia  
Haapene  
Taonga  
Houston  
Jahstice  
Noah  
Jaymilee  
Hemi  
Cody  
Justin  
Brooke  
Sophie*

#### **PTA News.**

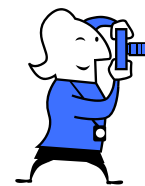
##### Christmas Disco.

*Friday 4th November.*

##### Family Portrait Fundraiser.

*Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November.*

Come and get your Family Portrait done (great Christmas present for family). Only \$15.00



Call Treena on 343 3616 or 027 380 2450 to book a time.

##### Twilight Gala.

*Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November, 5.00 p.m.*

If you have any items to donate for our white elephant stall please contact Tracy on 027 420 4307 or drop off at school.

#### **Calendar Art.**

Children will be doing their art work for the calendars this term. These make great Christmas presents for grandparents etc.

Orders, with money, to the office by *Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November*. Order forms home shortly.

#### **Lost Property.**

The lost property was on display the last week of term 3 for the children to check and claim.

There is still a huge amount of un-named clothing, shoes, etc. left. Please check to see if any belongs to your child.

Anything left at the end of next week will be disposed of.

#### **Lucky Book Club.**

Current book club pamphlets out now.

Due back 27<sup>th</sup> October.

Orders can be done online through Book Club LOOP. See back of pamphlet for instructions. Any queries see Mrs Lawson.



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