# Kimi Ora School

#### Term Three, Week Three 2023

#### Tēnā koutou, nau mai haere mai, welcome to Term Three,

The term has started with a hiss and roar in true Kimi style. Our students arrived very enthusiastic and keen to get back into their school routines and to catch up with friends and staff. We hope you all had a great term break and enjoyed spending time with whānau and friends, especially over the Matariki weekend that fell at the end of the school holidays.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank our school whānau and community for the well wishes whilst we continue to mourn the loss of Rajan, who passed away in the first week of this term. Rajan was farewelled last week and we would like to thank those parents and caregivers who made alternative arrangements for their children on this day to enable the Miramar Central satellite team to attend his funeral. Rajan is hugely missed by his classmates and all those that have worked with him. We continue to send our thoughts and aroha to Rajan's whānau as they navigate such a huge loss. Kia Kaha.

This term our school's topic is 'Play that Funky Music!' A topic that is already delighting everyone. Our students are learning about different



Tui class write a song

styles of music and about the era in which they were popular. There have been all sorts of awesome activities happening over our sites. Students are enjoying lots of different and interesting music, making their own instruments and learning about what music means to themselves and others throughout the years.



Harata makes a Maraca

# SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 2023 4 - 7 PM COULD THE KIMI ORA SCHOOL SENIOR DANCE NGAIO COMMUNITY CENTRE, NGAIO, WELLINGTON MORE DETAILS TO COME SOON.......

#### The Kimi Ora Senior Dance

Last week we sent out the 'Save the Date' to our Senior Students (16 years and above) for the Kimi Ora School Senior Dance. This week the official invite will be going out with all the information you will need.

We are so excited to see all our Senior students, partners and/or whānau on Saturday the 9th of September from 4 - 7pm at the Ngaio Community Centre.

**Kia Ora and welcome** to our two new staff members who have joined us this term. Elsje Leaver has joined our Base and Manaaki sites as an Occupational Therapist. Sophie Roose has also joined the teaching team between Base and Pomare sites.

#### PHOTOS from the first three weeks of Term 3



Mon 28 Aug	Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm Base School
Sat 9 Sept	Senior Dance 4-7pm Ngaio Town Hall
Fri 22 Sept	Last Day Term 2
Mon 09 Oct	First Day Term 3

Kimi Kids



Hello, my name is Brock.

I am 11 years old and am in Tui class.

In my free time at school I like to swing in hammocks, Play on my IPAD and hang out with my friend Omar.



Hi, I am Telehia!

I communicate really well using my hands and my PODD to share my needs and interests.

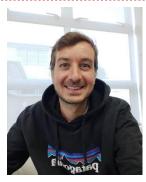
I love swimming and always have a big smile on my face and work really hard in the pool. I really enjoy community outings with my friends and like to choose where to go. I am a real people person and love joining in games with my friends.

Kia ora, I'm Leulseged and I am 9 years old.

I feel happy when I am moving and spinning around and dancing with other people. I enjoy music and love to tap along to a drum beat and play the piano.

I communicate using visual pictures and make choices of my favourite objects. I am also getting really good at using my switch in my Assistive Technology sessions.

## Kimi Krew



Kia ora, I'm Jack. I am the teacher in Kōwhai class at our Evans Bay Satellite. I started at Kimi Ora at the end of 2022, getting the chance to observe and relieve in numerous classes across our base school and Evans Bay and Miramar Satellites. I love having my own class of amazing students and I have a wonderful team to help me, help achieve their goals.

I am originally from the UK where I completed my teaching certificate and have since been living in Costa Rica teaching in a Community School, however I missed my seasons so I ended up here in Wellington where I can experience all four seasons in a day!

When I am not at Kimi Ora, I love exploring the local events going on around Wellington, especially comedy events and I plan to get out and explore this wonderful country as and when I get time to.

Hi, my name is Rosina & I am a teacher aide at our Pomare site. I am married with 4 wonderful children. Even though this is only my 4th year working at Kimi, we have been part of the Kimi family for 14 years with one of our children attending Kimi.

Any free time I have, I enjoy scrapbooking, playing card & board games & going to see musicals & theatre with my family.

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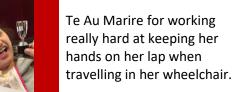


### Ākonga o te Wiki - Student of the Week



Abel for bringing a spoon with hummus on up to his mouth.

Leulseged for touching his PODD book with verbal prompting.



Telehia for clear and reliable communication during 'Inquiry time' lesson. Clearly using her PODD and using the proximity switch.

Hirundee for managing her routines and to enable her favoured activity. Also for a fantastic start to RDA.

Tom for achieving his IEP goal of 60 steps in your pacer.

Bryn for joining in outside play for nearly 10 minutes!

Sarah for being a great role model and friend to all.

beginning to use four word sentences to communicate.

Kaya for marching up the

Kaya for marching up the steps to the dental van like she owned the place.

Yoshi for engaging well

during English lessons and

Donte for having a great time swimming and for transitioning well to and from pool.

Vaibhav for independently transferring out of his carseat and out of the taxi in the morning.

Anna for engaging in dance lessons and coping well with new routines.

Atlas for managing transitions around spaces in school with more ease.

Omar for putting so much time and effort into his goals - writing his name for the first time independently this week.

Awatea for verbally expressing herself when counting in class. She also made verbal requests this week.



Congratulations to our most recent winners!



He whetū koe! You're a star!



