



Kia Ora Everyone

### Welcome to Week 3 Term 3 2021

We will be holding parent/teacher interviews next week on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August, from 1pm until 7pm. We would appreciate it if you could pick your child up from school anytime after 12pm on that day. School will still be open for those children who are unable to be picked up they will be working with me in the hall until 3pm.

To book an interview time please visit [schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://schoolinterviews.co.nz) and enter the booking code mhg5j.

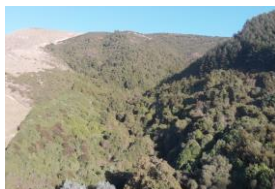
Appointments are ten minutes long. If you require longer than this please arrange to meet with the teacher at a later date.



Last Friday we had a visit from a touring theatre company who performed Rumpelstiltskin for our children and the kids from St Patricks. It was a hilarious rendition, and the children thoroughly enjoyed the show. With our musical coming up in term 4 it was great to see such fantastic acting.

### ECO Sanctuary Visit

We have booked in for a visit to the Waimate Eco Sanctuary on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August. We will be splitting the school into two groups, junior and senior. Kahikatea and Rimu will visit from 10am – 12pm, and then the other three classes will come out and swap over.



The day will comprise of lots of learning about the work that the Eco Sanctuary is carrying out to control predators and to create a pristine environment for native flora and fauna. The children will tour the sanctuary and see the remaining kahikatea trees and other attractions. They will also learn how to make tracking tunnels for use at home.

We will need several parent helpers for both groups so please see me if you are able to help.

### Healthy Lunches - Term 3

We're almost through our third week of delivery and overall, the scheme is going well. We have a large amount of fruit so please don't send your child with any more.

### Musical – Cinderella

We have booked the theatre in for Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October, (**Note the date change**) which is Week 2 of Term 4. This term we will be holding auditions for senior children wanting main parts, and we will be practising songs and dances. Closer to the time we will need lots of help with costumes, props, food and so on.

### Reminders

**Covid Update** - We are at Alert Level 1 which for us means... Heightened hygiene, and contact tracing. We have the contact tracing QR code displayed at the front office, and at every entrance to the school. Please use it if you are coming on site. If a child is sick, please keep them home. We continue to monitor the situation very closely and will communicate very quickly if there is a change to the alert levels.

### Attendance

We would consider a normal rate of attendance to be between 90 - 95%, with below 90% attendance classified as, 'Cause for concern', and below 80% attendance often leading to a referral to the attendance officer.

**Egg Cartons needed** – Please drop at the office

### School Policy Review this Term

This term board, staff and parents will have the opportunity to review our 'Behaviour Management', and 'Concerns and Complaints' policies.

#### Instructions for reviewers

1. Follow the link to each policy in the table above.
2. Read the policy.
3. Click the red Policy Review icon at the right-hand top corner of the page. A new screen will appear.
4. Select your role (board member, staff member, or parent/caregiver) from the drop-down list.
5. Enter your name (optional).
6. Submit your ratings and comments.

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can easily provide you with printed copies of the policy and the [review form](#).

To review or read a policy at any time– Google School Docs (For all school policies and procedures)

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### Key dates this term...

- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August – Pohutukawa Assembly
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August – Parent Interviews from 1pm
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> August – Kahikatea Assembly
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August – ECO Sanctuary Visit
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September- ECO Sanctuary PP Date
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Totara Assembly
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September – Rimu Assembly
- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October – Pet Day
- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October – Last day Term 3 2021
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October – School Musical

If you have any questions please come and see me anytime Monday to Thursday. On Fridays in 2021 I will be co-leading the Waimate Community of Learning off site.

Have a great week

Paul Cartlidge

