

NEWSLETTER

4th February 2022

Kia ora koutou, Dobri dan, Bonjour, Hallo, Hola, Zdravstvuyte, Nĩn hã, Salve, Konnichiwa, Guten Tag, Olá, Anyoung haseyo, Asalaam alaikum, Greetings everyone,

Welcome back! It really has been so good to see everyone again. Welcome to all of the new families who have joined us, it is great to have you join the KKPS team!

As we begin this year, I want to acknowledge that we are heading into Term 1 with a lot of uncertainty. I know that through this Covid pandemic, there will be things that have/will happen that members of our community will disagree with. There will also be decisions that members of our community have been supportive of.

Though there will be different perspectives about our nation's Covid response, Kerikeri Primary School's aim is to ensure that our learning environment is safe and inclusive. The protocols we have put in place have been developed from guidance supplied by the Ministry of Education, guided by the Ministry of Health.

There are going to be challenges as we adjust to the current response to Omicron, and these challenges affect everyone. However, if you have concerns, questions, please email, phone or meet with me. Our teachers are focussing on creating great learning environments and making the start to the year, a really positive one.

Though we as adults may carry the worries or concerns about the coming months, the challenge is to remain positive for our tamariki. Let us continue to make sure that we are being kind to one another (whatever our views) while following guidelines to keep everyone safe.

We hugely appreciate your support.
He waka eke noa - we are all in this together.

The teachers have been busy throughout the break preparing for their classes. They also attended professional development around responding to different behaviours, first aid training and spending a day at Whitiara Marae to learn about local Ngāti Rehia history, reo and taiaha.

Hopefully your children have told you about some of the property work that was carried out over summer, this included some new fencing, paint work, solar panels installed on the hall roof and a new pump track! The pump track came about from our Student Council a couple of years back suggesting it, from there our PTA has tirelessly fundraised, we also received a significant donation from Bikes on Northland

and donations from some generous parents/grandparents. We have bikes at school that children can use on the bike track. The design has come from our students' ideas. During construction over summer, the Northscape designers brought in some of the cyclists from Hunter Cycles who trialled the track, gave feedback and then made further modifications. This week, I have been working with each class to go through the rules around the track. Next week, it will officially be open, where each year group will have its own day to use the track:

Mondays: Year 1 and 2s

Tuesdays: Year 3s

Wednesdays: Year 4s

Thursdays: Year 5s

Fridays: Year 6s

We look forward to having our local community utilise the pump track also. (see page 4 for photos)

PTA Meeting: We would love to have some new people join our PTA to support with fundraising idea etc. The next meeting will be on February 8th at 6pm. This meeting will be held virtually. If you would like to join this meeting, please email pta@kkps.school.nz for a link to the meeting.

Here's an affirmation I came across this week, which I think is really pertinent in these changing times:

Now more than ever, we need to be able to offer each other grace.

Grace for having different opinions.

Grace for not always knowing the answer.

Grace for making mistakes.

Grace as we learn to do better.

Grace for doing the best we can.

That's how we get through tough times like these—by lifting each other up, forgiving each other's humanness, and loving each other even when it's hard.

At KKPS, we look forward to working alongside you this year to ensure the very best for your child. Please ensure, any queries about your child, that your first point of contact is your child's teacher. Kerry Maxwell is the Deputy Principal for the juniors (years 0-2) and middles (years 3-4) and SENCo (Special Education Needs Co-ordinator). Rosemary Murphy is the Deputy Principal for the seniors (Years 5-6).

Kia kaha, take care everyone.
Dr Sarah Brown
Principal



kerikeriprimary.school.nz

Phone: 09 407 8414

Absences:

press 1

message for child
press 2

Absence txt:

0211242836 text only

admin@kkps.school.nz

School Calendar

[click here](#)

Lunches

lunchorders.co.nz

Lunch Orders delivered daily

sushigallerykerikeri.com

Sushi Gallery delivers Thurs

Uniforms

DD Gold

p: 09-407 1527

e: logo@ddgold.co.nz

PTA 2nd hand uniform

text only 0221877125

include size and item required



Class Dojo



Log in to Kindo



Find us on facebook

KORU Kids at KKPS

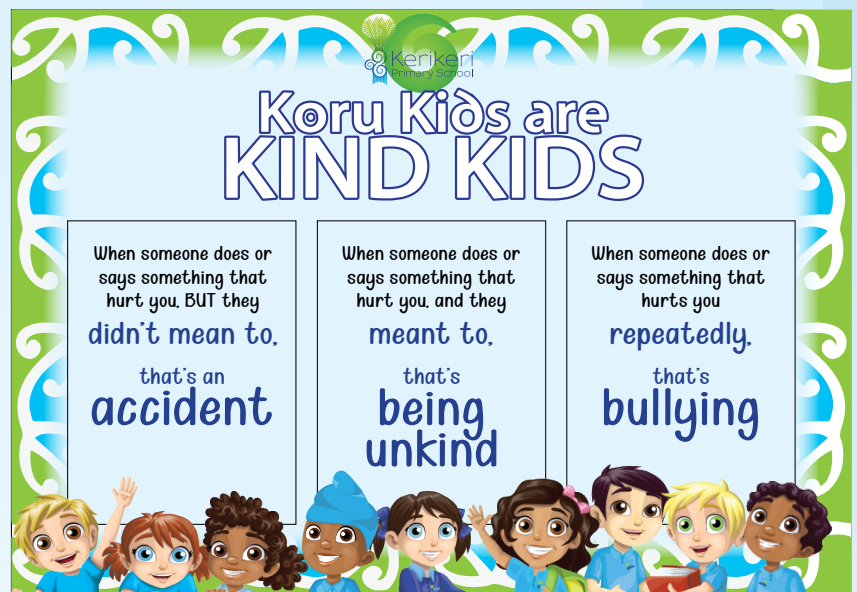


Week One - KORU Kids are Kind Kids

As we head back into a school year that is a little different to normal, the teachers are encouraging our tamariki to remember to be kind to one another. Our visual helps children with regulating their emotions and explaining to others how they are feeling. Each class is creating a collaborative treaty or agreement that they can refer back to over the year. They will be unpacking what it means to be kind and what respectful looks like in their classroom.

Our new pump track also gives us a new environment to teach in. We are learning to give way, be patient with others, respect the rules, and support those that may be nervous. We always refer back to our KORU values as a class and look at ways we can be Kind Koru Kids.

Please encourage your child to use our KORU Kids are Kind Kids language at home when explaining "a problem" or something that has happened to them. This will help them with navigating home/school connections.



K IA KAHA

We are Resilient Achievers

Taumata manahau

O WNING OUR LEARNING

We have Inquiring Minds

Uiui hinengaro

R ESPECTFUL & RESPONSIBLE

We are Connected Learners

Ākonga tūhono

U NDERSTANDING & ACCEPTING

We are Collaborative Contributors

Nga Ākonga Mahi Tahi

Kids

 **Kerikeri**
Primary School





Teacher only day:
25 February 2022
no school

KKPS Board Meeting:
5.30pm Wednesday 2nd March

Rōpu Day:
Friday 11th March
Children are encouraged to wear their
Rōpū colours to school



GET ACTIVE NZ

**After school and
teacher only day
childcare**

Contact: Tina
Schonweiss
Email: [info@
getactivenz.co.nz](mailto:info@getactivenz.co.nz)
Phone: 02102446969

Ngā Tau Miharo
"The Incredible Years"

Te Rūnanga O Ngāti Rēhia Mātauranga Team are offering a fun and engaging parenting programme for Whānau with tamariki/mokopuna aged 3-8 years old to help parents and caregivers learn better strategies that nurture our tamariki/mokopuna in their early childhood years. If this is you, we invite you to come and meet with us to see what is on offer and how this may help your Whānau.



Location: Te Pou O Manako – Kerikeri Campus / NorthTec
Cnr of Hone Heke & Kerikeri Road - KERIKERI
Cost- FREE

For more information or to register your interest contact:
Hapū Facilitator: Tilly Walker
Phone: 09 407 7426
tilly@ngatirehia.co.nz



All n Rhythm

Child Care

KKPS Teacher Only Day
Friday 25th February 2022
8.30am - 3.00pm \$40.00
Bring Packed Lunch & Drink Bottle

PRE BOOKINGS ONLY
Ph: 407-8624 or email: leona@allnrhythm.co.nz



Each term, board members, staff, and/or parents are asked to review and comment on specific policies. This feedback is captured using the red Policy Review button, which is only visible when a policy is up for review.

Policies up for review in term 1:

- Visitors (please review by 25th Feb).school closure
- Covid-19 information (please review by 1 March)

- Enter the username (kerikeriprimary) and password (koru).
- Read the policy.
- Click the Policy Review button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
- Select the reviewer type "Parent".
- Enter your name (optional).
- Submit your ratings and comments.
- If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

Please click on this link to review the policy and give feedback if you wish: <https://kerikeriprimary.schooldocs.co.nz/11>

Class of the Fortnight - Rm 25 with Mrs Hooper

First week back and Room 25 were very excited to try out KKPS' new pump bike track which is now up and running. After Mrs Brown had given us all the safety instructions, we put on our helmets, lined up on the platform ...and went for it! Lots of us found that it was a bit tricky to start with, but Shawn was able to demonstrate exactly what we needed to do. Thanks Shawn ! Mrs Brown was encouraging everyone to bring their bikes to school, or make use of the ones the school has available, and to remember that one of our school values is Kia kaha...giving things a go. Even when it's difficult to start with. Room 25 wants to say a big thank you to everyone who helped create this great track, including last year's student council. We can't wait until it's our turn again next week.

