



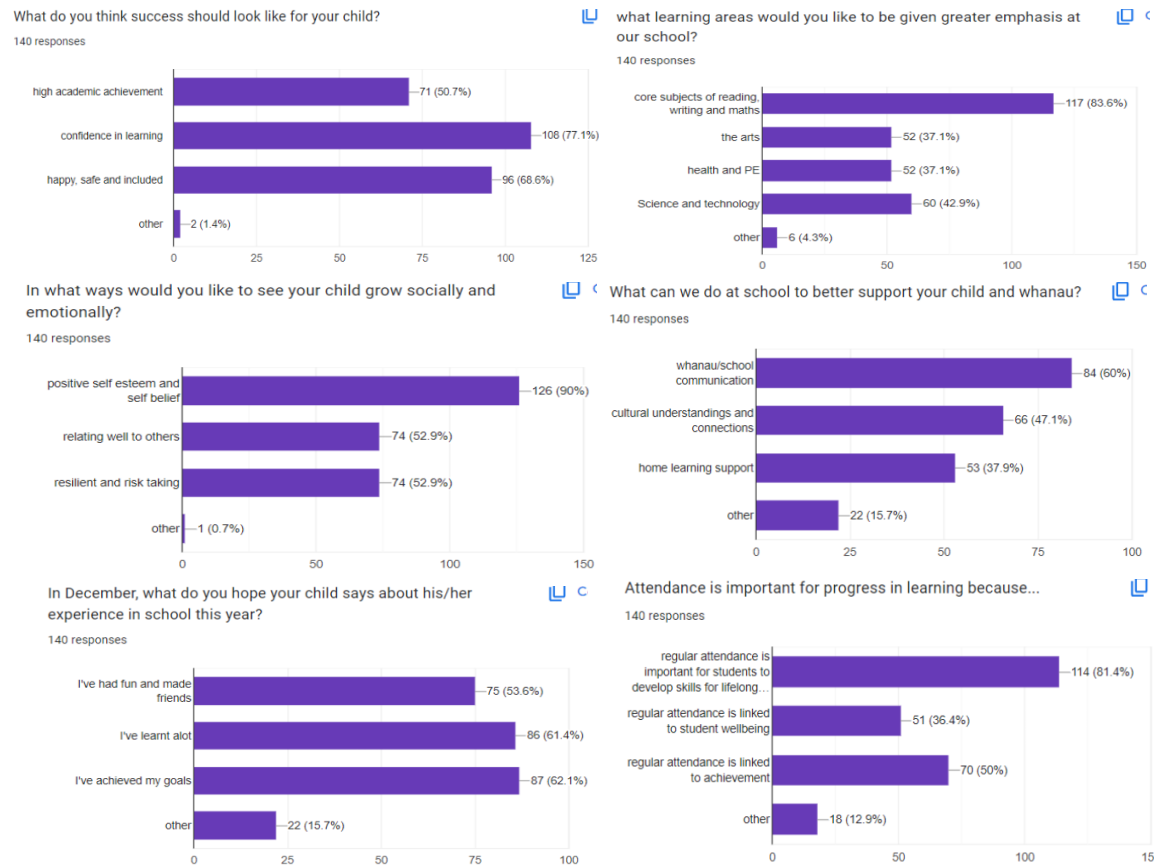
Principal's News

Friday 12 April 2024

Kia ora, Malo e Lelei, Talofa Lava, Ni Hao, Namaste, Bula Vinaka, Fakaalofa Lahi Atu, Kia orana, Mauri, Greetings.

The end of term seems to have come around quickly. The last 11 weeks have been very busy and we have achieved much. With great weather, our tamariki have enjoyed many sporting and physical fitness activities. Alongside our usual programmes, including swimming, we have had the support of outside facilitators to enrich children's experiences. Seeing the children become more active, develop individual skills and team spirit has been a highlight.

During whanau/teacher interviews we collected 140 responses to our Snapshot Survey. The data is still being collated but I would like to share the following information with you now.



In our next newsletter I will share a summary of the rest of the comments and provide detail about what we are already doing to address the points raised, or what we hope to do in the future. Thank you again for providing voice to our strategic planning and future direction. Please look at our Strategic Plan and Curriculum Overview Plan on our website if you would like more information in the meantime.

I wish you all a safe and happy holidays.

Ngā mihi nui
Michelle Dibben
Principal

These students have been recognised by their class teachers for displaying our school value



<u>Totara</u>	<u>Kowhai</u>	<u>Ti Kouka</u>	<u>Nikau</u>
Nova	Akesa	Aarush	Sienna
Connor	Anikesh	Dechlan	Friyana
	Astin	Hola	Manmeet
<u>Puriri</u>	<u>Titoki</u>	<u>Rimu</u>	<u>Kauri</u>
Prabhjot	Levi	Ryan	Milan
	Zachariah	Elyssa	Olivia
	Elisa-Aida	Micah	Talanoah

Pūriri

In Pūriri we've had fun learning how to do a wheelbarrow race and we even have fun in class learning our sight words with each other! It has been an exciting term with so much learning and we're excited about the learning that will happen next term. Swimming has now come to an end. The children learnt so many skills in the water. It's been amazing to see how much their confidence in the water has grown!

Rimu

Wow! Term 1 has gone by so quickly! In the last few weeks, we have been working hard and keeping busy. On our trip to the Navy Museum in Devonport we learned how valuable and special the medals are that Navy personnel can earn. The medals also represent the Navy's core values of Courage, Commitment, Comradeship, and Integrity, which are very similar to our school values. We loved participating in Senior Sports Tabloids and being mixed up with the other 2 senior pods. It was fantastic, and tiring, and fun, and wore us out - and we can't wait until we do it again! Please have a safe and relaxing school holiday break. Take care.

Kōwhai

During this term we have learnt lots about each other and have celebrated how each of us bring unique, special qualities to our pod. We also belong to many other groups and have found out that a lot of our groups have many similarities and differences but when we bring them all together, it makes up our community. This week we have been extending our knowledge on materials and which ones sink or float. After writing down our predictions, we performed our experiments and wrote down our observations. We look forward to all the new learning and adventures we will have in term 2. Have a great break!

Ti Kōuka

Hello from the Ti Kouka classroom! This Monday was an extraordinary day for us as we ventured to the NZ Symphony Orchestra for an unforgettable experience. The highlight was the presence of TV star Suzy Cato, who brought stories to life by reading to us, accompanied by the enchanting background music of the orchestra. We travelled through magical tales with Mozart and even ventured into the galaxy with Star Wars music! Learning that Mozart was captivating audiences at five and composing by seven inspired us!

We're thrilled to bring home our Duffy books and enjoyed watching the Duffy play. We kindly ask for your support in reading our books over the holidays, helping us strengthen our relationship with stories. Thank you for being part of our journey in Ti Kōuka! Can't wait to see you all next term, have a safe and lovely holiday!

Kauri

We cannot believe it is the end of Term One! This term has been full of fun, excitement and lots of new learning. We have been working on Science in the last week and have been learning about states of matter, the water cycle and physical and chemical changes. This term we have been learning about mental health through the introduction of the Mitey programme. We are learning about friendship, our strengths, who we are and our identity. This has been fun! Everyone in Kauri Ngahere is on track and working well in all areas of school! We have been having a huge amount of fun playing Hungerball. We have had some awesome leaders from Kauri Ngahere helping younger students take part in this fun activity. ANZAC Day is coming up in the holidays. We encourage families to come along to the memorial service held at the cenotaph on the morning of ANZAC day. We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday and we are all looking forward to Term Two!

Nikau

What an amazing term we've had in Nikau! We have enjoyed conducting science experiments and learning heaps of new scientific terms. Nikau students have enjoyed taking care of our gardens - planting, weeding, watering, making worm farms and coming up with creative ways of keeping the birds away from our yummy vegetables. We were so excited to have the hungerball arena back and to take part in tabloids. Everyone is looking forward to a break to recharge our batteries so we can come back and take on Term 2.

Tōtara

What a fabulous first term at school we have had! We have been working very hard learning letter sounds and sight words so we can read our books. We have been practising our letter formation and the sharing of our ideas so we can record them in a sentence for writing. We have also been working hard to count forwards and backwards and count objects in maths. It has been very busy and so much fun all at the same time. Our highlight was most definitely swimming! We have enjoyed exploring the playground outside on the bikes, scooters, skateboards, sandpit and playgrounds and have started making friends with children outside our classroom. The children have settled into school so well, thank you parents for your support in helping your child transition to school. We very much appreciate the support you give your children at home with their learning. Have a safe and wonderful break from school. We look forward to welcoming you all back in two weeks time.



Park safely outside schools

Before and after school is a busy time for everyone. Parking rules help protect our children and keep them safe. Drivers who park illegally put our kids at risk. This term parking officers will be on patrol outside your school to issue tickets to those who are illegally parked.

Fines for illegal parking include:	
• Parked on the footpath or grass verge/berm	\$40
• Parked across or within 1m of a vehicle entrance	\$40
• Parked within 6m either side of an unmarked bus stop	\$40
• Parked within a marked bus stop	\$60
• Parked within 0.5m of a fire hydrant with no one in the car legally capable of moving it	\$40
• Parked within a designated bus lane, transit or cycle lane	\$60
• Parked on a clearway	\$60
• Double parked	\$60
• Inconsiderate parking to other road users, including pedestrians	\$60
• Parked on or within 6m of an intersection	\$60
• Parked on a pedestrian crossing	\$60
• Parked on a broken yellow line	\$60

These parking offences are detailed in the New Zealand Road Code.

Thank you for your cooperation.



DATES TO REMEMBER

ANZAC DAY

Thursday 25 April

Term 2

Monday 29 April— Friday 5 July

Teachers Only Day

Friday 31 May

King's Birthday—No School

Monday 3 June

Matariki—No School

Friday 28 June

School Reports Home

Tuesday 2 July

Titoki

H is for happy: happy to be with our whānau
O is for over: over the break, please continue to read with and to me
L is for laughter: laughter, fun and play is important too
I is for inquisitive: inquisitive minds ask lots of questions, please continue to talk with me to help me understand
D is for devices: devices are great fun, but please monitor what I watch and how long I am on my device, it is tricky for me to know what is real and not real
A is for adventures: adventures in a local place like the pool, park or library
Y is for yes: yes, we are all ready for a break

Happy holidays everyone! We will see you refreshed and ready for learning in Term 2!