

Kimi News, Week 2, Term 3, 2016

Welcome to Term Three!

At the beginning of this term we will continue to focus on "Where the Wild Things Are" while we practice for our up-coming Dance Show. We are also using the topic of "The Olympic Games" to base learning experiences around.

At Evans Bay we have welcomed Karishma Pathan to the Therapy Team. Karishma is working three mornings a week to support Physiotherapy programmes.

With Jess Hall being on maternity leave and Lee Sutton now working at Wellington Early Intervention Trust (WEIT) there have been some changes to the Leadership Team. Dave Speden has the position of Therapy Team Leader. Andrew Tutty is in the Senior Therapist role till end of year. Sue Irwin has also joined the Leadership Team and is responsible for teaching and learning at Evans Bay.

Term Dates

Term 3 -
25 July - 23 Sept

Term 4 -
10 Oct - 16 Dec

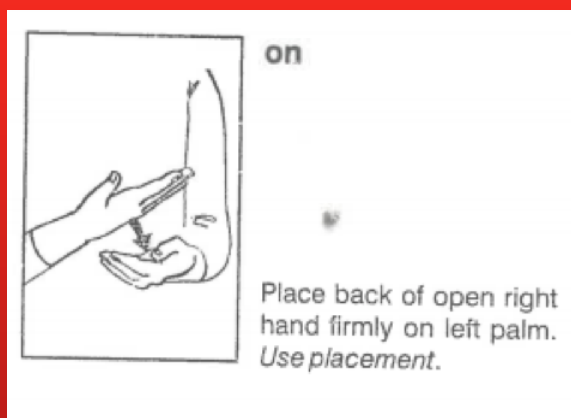
Events

Dance Show

Thursday 18
August
and...
Thursday 25
August

11am @ Naenae

Signs we are learning...



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		3 August 2016



The “Where the Wild Things Are” Dance Show is a contemporary dance depicting this well known story.

The show will be a performance by Kimi Ora students.

In order to seat all family and friends there will be two shows.

Please fill out the attached form and return to school to obtain tickets for you and your whanau.

Tickets for “Where the Wild Things Are” Dance Show

Student's name: _____

Please indicate number of tickets required:

_____ Thursday 18 August, 11am at Naenae

_____ Thursday 25 August, 11am at Naenae

Return this form to school, write a note in your child's book, or email barbara@kimiora.school.nz



Board Talk

The new Board of Trustees held our first meeting on the 7th June 2016. As our nominations equaled the number of places we did not have to have elections. Christine Pask, Peter McDermott and Lina Stowers return as board members along with myself and we are joined by Marni Stevenson (Fletcher's mum) and Karina Best (Keelan's mum).

The Board reappointed myself as Chair. The meeting was the final meeting for Lee Sutton. A new staff representative, Dave Speden, has been elected by staff and will be attending the next meeting.

Jo Walker, our new administration officer at Naenae replaced Leanne as Secretary with the task of producing the Board Minutes. Thank you Jo.

Rose Tait, Chair of the Fraser Crescent School in Upper Hutt came along to the meeting as a visitor and provided valuable perspectives on a number of issues from their experience.

Shirley had met the new Director of Education and Regional Manager for Special Education to discuss options for the impact of roll growth. We currently have a roll of 57 students with at least 6 new students starting in 2017. We have enrolments for 2019 and 2020.

Short term solutions will look at the capacity of the Naenae site to have extra classroom space by February 2017. Medium and long term solutions would be considering having satellite classrooms. We will continue to discuss as a Board how to manage the increase in demand and the shortage of places at the school.

As Board Chair I interviewed Sue Perry, Deputy Principal, using a checklist provided by the Ministry of Education on the status of our Health and Safety Procedures. These appear very satisfactory and staff are working hard to not only comply with the Health and Safety, but most importantly keep our students safe at all times.

The implementation of additional police checks is continuing and is in accordance with the Vulnerable Children's Act. From July 2016, non-core workers will be checked. If we currently have contractors visiting the school who have not yet been police vetted, they are accompanied by a staff member.

Given the experience of the bomb evacuation at Evans Bay, the communication process for contacting parents is being reviewed. For example; it might be possible to send out a group text.

Internships can provide a valuable channel for exchanging knowledge and experience. We have had an Educational psychologist, Veerle Van Cooten who has been delivering workshops on autism to staff.

The next Board meeting is on Tuesday 2 August at 6.30pm.

Board meetings are public, which means all parents are welcome to attend. The Board is responsible for school governance and the Principal for school management. If you have any issues you think are governance issues, contact Shirley or myself, pwood.nz@gmail.com or 021 1655329.

Nga Mihi,

Philippa



Talofa! My name is Lina Stowers, wife of James and mother of five. Harema 23, Henry 21, Aniva 20, Aitken 15 and Jalina 11. I am Samoan and very proud of my culture.

My youngest son Aitken is a student here at Kimi Ora and has been at this fabulous school for 4 years. Being part of Kimi Ora has changed our lives. Aitken and our family are so thankful for this school.

I am also a Teacher Aide here at Kimi and have been here for five years. I joined the Board six months ago as I wanted to contribute more to the school, to have input into the school strategy and support this wonderful school.

I am very active in my church, and I love reading and music.



Faafetai lava, soifua ma ia manuia.

Congratulations to Rachel, Luca, Ya and Phoenix for winning the student of the week awards!

Rachel for great participation, listening and attitude towards school.



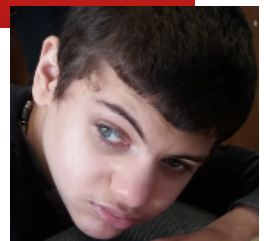
Ya for participating in cooking and communicating well using the PODD and signs.



Luca for doing his morning routine independently during circle time.



Phoenix for fantastic eating and walking!





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IDEAS

Topics many Carers have been requesting include:

- Education
- Managing stress
- Effective communication approaches
- Rights

Date: 31st August 2016

Time: 9.30 am – 2.30 pm

**Venue: confirmed
on registration**

Lunch Provided

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