



KAHUTARA SCHOOL

Opening the gates to our future.
Huakina nga kuaha ma a tatou ao ake tonu.

Manaakitanga

Connectedness

Confidence

Critical Thinking

NEWSLETTER

16 November 2023

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Another fortnight has flown by and we are very busy at school with a great deal going on. The athletics went very well last Friday with 27 Kahutara students moving through to the next stage in Masterton this Friday. Well done to all these students and also to the whole Kahutara group, you conducted yourselves particularly well last week at Featherston.

We congratulate the Mt Bruce/Pukaha group of students who had a wonderful day/night experience. They loved the trip and learnt a great deal. A big thanks to Mary, Sandie and Eve for supporting this group overnight.

Our book week was busy with the character dress up day on Friday the highlight. We thank Sandie for the work she did in organizing the books for students and parents to view.

There is a great deal happening between now and the end of the year. Teachers will keep timetables as regular as possible so we can keep to our routines. This is also helped by students remaining focused on learning, being positive and enjoying their days at school alongside friends.

Nga mihi nui

Ian Hastie
Acting Principal

Teacher Only Day

Monday 20th November.

This day is the second of two days allocated this year by the MOE to give teachers a chance to look at the refreshed curriculum and become familiar with the new tools relating to teaching literacy and math.

WINGS OVER WAIRARAPA

Friday 24th November

9:15 - 12:30

The whole school is lucky enough to experience this. Children will travel by bus. Make sure your child has enough food (no food needing to be heated please) and is ready for whatever the weather will bring that day.

Wetland Overnight Trip to Pukaha

Last week the Mangatete Wetland team were privileged to enjoy an overnight stay at Pukaha Mt Bruce after winning a competition sponsored by the Ruamahanga Restoration Trust. Here is a recap from Isaac Honeysett....

When we arrived at school we loaded up the bus and headed off on the way we looked out for elderflower trees, Eve also got us all a lollipop, I got cola flavor. When we arrived we unloaded and then got welcomed onto the land, I said my Pepeha. Next we had some food and relaxed till 11:30 when Kelly came in and took us on a walk. We saw the cavers who make ash boxes, cassettes and tekoteko. Next we went to see the kiwis and the tuatara along with the kokako, saddleback and fantails. Then we went and had lunch. When Kelly came back we went to see the eels getting fed and went to the redwood forest, where we saw a wild pear of kaka nesting. From there we went and relaxed for a little bit and then went to see the kaka feeding they dive bombed us at first but soon started to fight for the food. We went back to the kiwis but some of us had to go to the toilet so Mary took us back to the visitor center. Once we were finished we got ice cream for everyone as well as a trapping guide. We went back and put the ice cream in the freezer and waited for the others to be back. Once they got back we cooked dinner we had burgers and sausages. Then Kelly came with Rhys and we had to make a tracking tunnel or a moth trap. I made a tracking tunnel with Mary and Sandie. After everyone had come back we went on the night walk we went to the redwood forest where we saw spiders and weta. When we got back we had showers and went to our cabins. The cabins had two bunk beds in each. Nate, Danni, Louis and I were in a cabin together. In the morning we packed up and had breakfast before going for the dawn walk up a big hill. When we got to the top we were going to have a milo but we forgot the cups so we could not. We got back and got ready for the bus. We waited and waited but it did finally arrive only 45 minutes late. We loaded on and headed to athletics. We went through 2 boxes of favorites by the time we got there.

Athletics Day



Book Character Day



Creatives in Schools

This is a super exciting opportunity for all students, and staff to take part in sessions with Jonas Koukl where they can discover the magic of music in a unique way - not just as an audience member or a performer, but as a co-creator. Through the use of hundreds of music-therapy instruments combined with movements and voices, Jonas will provide a supportive environment where students and adults can let go of inhibition, relax, play, express, have fun and communicate through sound.



Hub 1 (and Tex the pooch)

We are very fortunate to be supported so generously by the Ruamahanga Restoration Trust with supplies of traps, tracking tunnels, chew cards, baits, information packs and ongoing tutorials.

UPCOMING DATES:

Monday 20 November - Teacher Only Day

Tuesdays; 21, 28 Nov, 5 Dec: Y 7/8 Technology

Friday 24 November - Wings Over Wairarapa

Friday 8 December - Beach Education Day at Riversdale Beach - travel by bus.

Correspondence



The Friends of Aratoi Bus Trip is coming up!

Date: Thursday, 30 November,


Time: Leave Aratoi at 8am, returning at 4.30pm.

Location: Palmerston North

Tickets: \$80pp

The Friends of Aratoi's bus trip heads to Palmerston North this year. There are only a few seats left for this popular trip.

BETTER UNDERSTANDING



Psychoeducational events & workshops aimed at supporting parents', whanau & caregivers understanding of their child's mental health, well-being & development

Up Coming Event

'ANXIETY & MY CHILD'

What is it? What effects does it have on the brain? What can it look like? What can it feel like? What can I do to help? What support is out there?

When | Saturday 2nd December 2023

Where | REAP Wairarapa - Rangitumau Room

340 Queen Street Masterton

Time | 1pm - 4pm

Cost | \$25 pp

For Registration & Payment options please contact Megan via below details

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