



The Pukeko Call

Learning for the Future. Akoranga wa hou.



Every child succeeding in an encouraging and stimulating learning environment.



We have a problem! Can you help?

The fence surrounding our fabulous new court needs reinstating so that we can allow the children to use the court. This will be in interim measure until we can afford the time and money for a more permanent solution. If you can help in any way please contact me and we'll put a plan together.

Thanks, Gary.

Tena Koutou

As mentioned above our court is almost complete, Tiger Turf will return this afternoon to put a couple of final finishing touches to the turf but before we start to use it we must reinstate our fence.

It was never the intension to replace the fence however we will now apply for funding to do that or at least upgrade our existing fence. Applying for funding will take time and so I would like to fix the existing fence to a safe standard so that we can get the children onto the court.

If you have the knowledge, tools or time to help us out please give me a ring or drop me an Email, I am sure we can close the hole up adequately.

Next Wednesday 5th April we will hold our annual Duathlon. This involves the children running and riding or scootering. We start after lunch at the school and ride to the sports club. We will return to the school prior to meet the bus but those parents who are present and wish to take their children home from the sports club may do so.

Bikes, scooters and unicycles should be delivered to the school in the morning. This will be a house competition and so children are encouraged to dress up in house colours for the day.

As announced last week Deb Kearns will be leaving us at the end of this term. We have advertised for a

permanent replacement for Deb in our Year 0/1 classroom. In our quest to find the very best replacement we can we will not be able to appoint prior to the start of term 2.

We are very lucky to have Phillippa Innes available to teach in Piwakawaka until such time as our new permanent teacher starts. Phillippa is well known to us and is an experienced Junior teacher. She has filled this type of role for us before and I welcome her back to the staff.

Our PTA is holding a special meeting on Wednesday the 12th in our Library. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a new chairperson and map the way forward for our PTA. Please come along and find out about the exciting future that a group of our parents have been working on over the last couple of weeks.

Our senior children competed very well at last weeks swimming sports, Cate Walker and Jacob Furniss are to be congratulated on making the Mahurangi Team for the inter school meet at Northern Arena later this week. Thank you to our PTA who held a sausage sizzle at the swimming sports.

Nga mihi nui

Gary O'Brien

My e-mail address is: garyo@kaiparaflats.school.nz



**PTA Special Meeting
Wednesday 12th April
8.30am in the Library.**

Kaipara Flats Playgroup



Come and join us Wed mornings 9-11.30am

McKinney Hall, 947 Kaipara Flats Road, Kaipara Flats.

Just turn up for a friendly welcome!

Make friends, spend quality time with your children in a fun and safe and environment. All children from new-born to 5yrs welcome.

Planned themes, trip out each term, parent/carer nights out.

New activity each week!

Sandspit • Trampoline • Jungle gym • Play house

Art • Water play • Bikes • Pretend play • Workshop & tools

Books • Train tracks & much more...



Call Mel 09 422 5123 or check out our Facebook page and send a message 'kaiparaflatsplaygroup'

Term 1 2017 Dates:

April 5th. Wed. School Duathlon.

April 6th. Thurs. Board Meeting 7pm Cottage.

April 7th. Celebration Assembly - Piwakawaka

April 13th. Thurs. Term One ends.

Term 2 2017 Dates:

May 1st. Mon. Term 2 commences

May 17th Wed. Rippa Rugby Tournament

July 7th Fri. Term two ends



School and Community Notices



Yogikids

Before your kids drive you crazy these holidays read this....

What more could you want this holidays than your kids in a really positive and relaxed state?

Bring them along to a yogikids class at the **Kaipara Flats Hall at 10.30 am on Weds 26 April.**

Yogi Kids classes explore yoga through adventure stories, group and partner poses and games, using uplifting music and finishing with creative relaxation. Kids will learn new skills in a non-competitive environment while having lots of fun!

Cost: \$15 per child or \$25 for 2 children. Check out yogikids.co.nz for more information.

Email Clare Dill Clare@zestcomms.co.nz to book your spot or call on 021440252

Bring your own yoga mat if you have one and some spare change for face painting and a sausage sizzle.



Reminders:

Important dates coming up:

**School Duathlon
April 5th Wed.**

**Term One Ends.
Thursday 13th April**

**Term Two Starts
Monday May 1st.**

Duathlon

Wed April 5th at 1.20pm



Please send your children to school with a fluoro vest if you have one from previous years!

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