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Tena Koutou

Welcome back to 2019. I hope that you are all well rested and ready for the new year at school.

We have chosen our school leaders for 2019.

Congratulations to:

Overall School Leaders:

Chelsea and Caleb

Karaka House Leaders:

Deegan and Danielle

Rimu House Leaders:

Katy and William

Kowhai House Leaders:

Caitlyn P and George

Kauri House Leaders:

Nic and Lottie

Rata House Leaders:

Samuel and Sydney

I will be doing some leadership training with all of Y6 on Friday this week. It would be good if they could bring along a small item to share for morning tea.

We have repositioned our sandpit (details below). It proved very popular at lunchtime.

As we are experiencing extremely hot weather at the moment, it is really important that the children have named drink bottles with them, are wearing cool clothes and have shoes or jandals to put on to stop them from burning their feet.



Important Dates Term 1 2019:

First Day of Term 1 - Monday 4th February

Last Day of Term 1 - Friday 12th April

Week 1:

8th February : Sports Taster Day

Week 2:

12th February : 3.30pm - 4.30pm- Meet and Greet - Welcome back to school.

Week 3:

20th - 22nd February - Takahe and Kea Camp

Week 4:

28th February - School Picnic at Martins Bay

Week 5:

Surf Life Saving Day at Mangawhai Beach - Kotare and Kereru

Week 6:

13th March - Interschool Swimming at Mahurangi College

Week 7:

Week 8:

26 and 27th March - Parent Interviews

Week 9:

Week 10:

12th April - Whole School Sports Afternoon

ASSEMBLIES IN TERM 1

Week 1 - House Sport

Week 2 - House Assembly

Week 3 - House Sport

Week 4 - House Assembly

Week 5 - House Sport

Week 6 - House Assembly

Week 7 - House Sport

Week 8 - House Assembly

Week 9 - House Sport

Week 10 - House Assembly

Staff 2019

At the end of 2018, we made two appointments at school. The first was to appoint Sharon Brown as Deputy Principal. Sharon will act on my behalf if I am off site as well as other duties she will perform in this role. Congratulations to Sharon, I am looking forward to working with her in this new role. We also appointed Sandy Meharry to a Y2 position. Sandy comes to us with a wealth of experience in teaching and learning as well as a passion for gardening, art, and Kapa Haka. Welcome to our fabulous team Sandy.

Responsibility	Staff Member
Principal/ SENCO	Debbie Hamer
Deputy Principal/ Garden to Table	Sharon Brown
Literacy/ Music/ Travelwise/ Science/ Social Science	Tina Donnell
Mathematics/ STEAM/ Science/ Social Science	Gael Adamson
WSL/ The Arts	Sandy Meharry
Technology including Digital Tech/Health and PE/ Year 6 transition	Stevie Douglas
Maori/ Kapa Haka	Roxanne Morley
Teacher Aides	Karen Butler, Carol Jones, Anne Cash
Office Administration	Jan Kose
Caretaker	Odette Wech
Cleaner	Margaret Gibbens

Property Update

A lot has been happening over the summer holidays. With no sight of the new classroom, I requested an urgent meeting with the Ministry of Education and invited the teachers along. At the meeting the Ministry representative apologised about the lack of progress regarding the classroom, but then did something quite extraordinary - he asked what he could do to help. We decided that the quickest option was to refurbish and repurpose the old resource room. This is being completely gutted. The interior space is the same size as a standard classroom and is to be completely refurbished. The work has already started and we

hope that it will be completed asap, when Ms Meharry will move in. Our new classroom is on track to be at school and occupied by week 6. There have been some delays due to geotech work that needs to be completed before we move it on.

Paul Young and his team have been working exceptionally hard to refurbish the school house into a teaching and learning space. This will provide the school with an area to teach music, drama, Garden to Table activities etc.

Our fantastic gardens have been completed thanks to Al Mason and his hard working team. They look amazing, a real addition to our school. Once planted we will hold an opening ceremony to share our good fortune.

We have shifted our sandpit so that we can use the shade previously over the sandpit. It means that we will have more shade for children to work in, play in and share lunch in. We have laid more concrete in the first steps in providing more shade around school. I have met with two shade experts and am waiting on quotes so that we can put more shade around school, thanks to the PTA funds.

BoT

Our first Board of Trustees meeting will be held at 7pm on Thursday 14th February. If you are interested in becoming a Board member for our school, please feel free to come along and find out what it's all about. BoT elections will take place later this year. The BoT play a key role in the governance of our school to ensure the school is providing the best learning opportunities and environment for our children. BoT minutes are published on our school webpage.

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PTA

Our PTA are the fundraising arm to our school. They work really hard, fundraising to make our school a better place. If you can pop along to meetings and get involved, it is a great way to get to know other parents and be involved with our school community.

Meet and Greet Evening

At 3.30pm until 4.30pm, on Tuesday 12th February, we will be holding a Meet and Greet Evening at school. This is an opportunity to meet your children's teachers, in an informal setting. We will have Vision Boards on display with information about the property development currently happening at school, our proposed enrolment zone and our local curriculum, which staff are working on together. There will be post-it notes for you to write down any comments, ideas or questions about any of these areas.

Kea and Takahe Camp 2019

This camp will take place between 20-22nd February at the Sonshine Ranch Adventure Centre. This is a fully catered camp, with all activities being run by qualified outdoor educators. Camp notices went home with children on Monday. Please return these asap. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact your child's teacher.

<https://sonshineranch.co.nz/>

Bark!

We have a delivery of playground bark arriving on Thursday to put into a junior play area we are developing. If you are available to help spread the bark on Thursday, that would be much appreciated.

Community Notices

Cubs in Warkworth (for Years 4 to 6) – Wednesday Night (Air Scouts and Cubs) (Phone Heston on 021 0819-3537) or Friday Night (Warkworth Cubs) (Phone Maddie - 021 0203-9099)

More info on Scouting at www.scouts.org.nz or email warkworth@group.scouts.nz. Come along and start your Scouting Adventure!

Regards,

David Hay
Group Leader – Warkworth Scout Group



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Our Staff in 2019

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