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- He hōnore, he korōria ki te Atua. He maungārongo ki te whenua. He whakaaro pai ki ngaā tāngata katoa
- Ka tika me mihi ki Te Ārikinui e te kīngi Tūheitia, me tōna hoa rangatira a Te Atawhai, a rāua tamariki hoki. Paimarire ki a rātou te Kāhui Ariki.
- Ki ngā mate o te wiki, o te marama, o te tau, rātou kua huri atu ki tua o te arai, moe mai, moe mai i raro i te
- korowai o Hine-nui-te-Pō, o Papatūānuku hoki.
  Ki a tātou te hunga ora, ngā mihi nui, ngā mihi aroha ki a tātou katoa.

Rāhina 3 o Huitanguru 2025

E te tii, e te tā, nau mai ki tēnei tau hou o tātou. Nau mai ki te marumaru atawhai ō Te Hihiri e whakamana ana i ngā uara o tō tātou kura.

Ka oti, he mihi tino nui tēnei ki ngā tamariki hōu me ngā whānau hōu kua rumene mai i tēnei tau, ki ngā whānau maha, nau mai, whakarauika mai. He pānui tēnei hei whakamohio atu i ngā whakaritenga mo tēnei wāhanga. He mihi whakatau ki a Matua Vahnz e mahi ana i roto i te rūma o Te Kukune me Matua Manaia e mahi ana i roto i ngā rūma e toru.

#### TE ARONGA MATUA O KNIGHTON

Our Knighton Way focus this term is 'Mahi Tahi'. Tamariki are encouraged to get along, work as one and help one another, especially new students in Te Hihiri and the whole school. Students are also reminded to use their WITS (Walk away, Ignore, Talk about it and Seek help) in the playground and classroom to help them solve problems they may encounter.

### KAUPAPA MATUA

Our kaupapa for this wāhanga is based around Māori knowledge and views about the origins that gave rise to Māori cultural value systems and knowledge. Across the classes learning will focus on te orokohanga o te ao, atua Māori, ngā kete wānanga and ancestral Māori navigation.

This year our whānau will continue our Te Reo Matatini structured literacy programmes which is immersed in te reo Māori. He waka eke noa tātou katoa, so therefore if you and your whānau would like support in this area then please come in and see one of our kaiako. We will continue to work from the PRIME structured pāngarau programme.

#### **TUAKANA/ TEINA**

In Te Hihiri we run a tuakana-teina model of learning where our whānau structure is open to the learning needs of the tamaiti. This means our tamariki may move and work between the 3 classes and kaiako throughout the day.

### TE WANANGA O AOTEAROA

Welcome back to Matua Rawiri Blundell, a student teacher from TWOA, who is returning for a second practicum in Te Hihiri this time in Te Kukune.

### **CLASS SEESAW/DOJO**

We encourage all our mātua to join your tamaiti/tamariki Class Seesaw/Dojo pages. Te Pupuke and Te Kukune using Class Dojo and Te Whāinga using Seesaw. If you are unsure about how to join please do not hesitate to contact one of our kaiako. The Class Seesaw/Dojo page is where you will find all information regarding each class and the latest pānui for kura.

### WHARE PUKAPUKA

The following days and times are our class library times for this year. Please ensure your tamaiti returns their library book every week. While our class is in the whare pukapuka we will be researching class kaupapa or selecting texts for personal enjoyment.

Te Pupuke: Rāapa - 1.45pm Te Kukune: Rātū - 1.45pm Te Whāinga: Rātū - 12.30pm

#### **KAUHOE**

Kauhoe will commence for our Te Hihiri whānau this Wednesday. Our kauhoe days are **Rāapa** and **Rāmere**. Please ensure your tamaiti has their kākahu kauhoe as well as a towel on these days. The following times are for each class this term. Our kauhoe programme will be based on progressing through the swimming techniques for freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke.

Te Kukune: 9.45am Te Whāinga: 10.05am Te Pupuke: 10.25am

### HUI-Ā-KURA

Te Kukune hui-ā-kura is held weekly on **Rāpare at** 12.30am. Te Pupuke hui-ā-kura is held fortnightly on **Rāmere** at 12.15pm.

#### **KINDO**

To avoid office queues, and to ensure your payments are accounted for correctly, we encourage all families to pay school costs online through our Kindo shop. If you do not already have a Kindo account, go to <a href="https://www.mykindo.co.nz">www.mykindo.co.nz</a> or via the link on our school website. There are no fees for Kindo payments unless you choose to use a credit card. Using a Kindo account is the most efficient way to pay.

# **PŌTAE**

Please ensure your tamaiti has a pōtae this term as the weather can be hot at this time of the year. Pōtae are available to purchase for \$12 from the school office.

### **RONGOA - MEDICATION**

If your child requires medication to be taken at school, please take this directly to the office where you will need to fill out a consent form. Teachers do not administer medicines.

### **ABSENCES**

If your child is sick or is not coming to school please let the office know – text or phone **027 352 2089** to leave your message, or use the phone app. The school will follow up all unexplained absences. If you are late (after 9.00am) you must check in at the **Smiley Face** window first.

# FROG BOX

If your child has a return slip or is making a payment please place the slips into the **Frog Box**, which is located in the **Smiley Face** window.

# **IMPORTANT DATES FOR TE HIHIRI**

- Waitangi Day Rāpare 6 o Hui-tanguru, no school
- Meet the Kaiako, Whānau Picnic Rātū 25 o Hui-tanguru
- Senior Swimming Sports Rāapa 5 o Poutū-te-rangi
- Senior Athletics Rotations Start Week 6 Rāhina 10 o Poutū-te-rangi
- Senior Competitive Athletics Rāapa 26 o Poutū-te-rangi
- Cultural Celebration Rāapa 2 o Paenga-whāwhā
- Te Hihiri & Peachgrove hononga Rātū 8 o Paenga-whāwhā (TBC)
- Last day of term 1 Rāmere 11 o Paenga-whāwhā

If you have any queries or concerns please feel to contact us by phone (07) 8565399 or via email or Seesaw/Dojo:

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