

Te Pānui o Te Kura o Te Uku 31/19

24 Whiringa-ā-nuku 2019

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Te Uku

On Tuesday, we welcomed our newest students to school, as well as 4 teachers who are visiting us from Chile. Thank you to those who provided kai for us to enjoy after the mihi whakatau – this was appreciated. We are all enjoying this cultural exchange opportunity, as the Chilean teachers get to learn from us about education and teaching practices in New Zealand (which are vastly different from those in Chile) and we get to learn about Spanish language and culture.

The building project is progressing well, considering the consistently poor weather we have been experiencing. It is expected that the finish date will now be the 20th November, one week later than originally predicted. We are also waiting on fine weather to begin the pool refurbishments with a new repaint. We are hopeful that we will be able to make good use of the pool before term 4 ends. The weather also affected the Amazing Race which was postponed on Wednesday and rescheduled for Friday – thanks to those who are assisting with transport for this. We are looking forward to sunnier times ahead.

Thanks to all parent/caregivers who took the time to complete the 2019 Community Survey. Your feedback is important to us and helps us to reflect on what we do in an informed way. A summary of the collated results is attached to this newsletter. All comments have also been collated. These will be shared with the Board and are available to view at the school office. It has been pleasing to see much of what we are doing has been affirmed by our community. Together we make Te Uku School a great place for children to thrive.

We are looking forward to our Kapa Haka performance next Wednesday at 6pm. This will be followed by a Y7/8 information sharing meeting for those of you who wish to know more about our plans for 2020.

See you there 😊

Ngā mihi ki a koutou,
Pip Mears – Principal

Congratulations Caleb

In the August/September issue, Upstart magazine ran the RIVAL IT OUT competition where they asked their readers to tell us about the friendly rivalry they enjoy with their classmates. Caleb entered and wrote about the friendly rivalry that happens with the tyres on the school field.

Each winner of this competition received a SuperZings prize pack for themselves AND super excitingly, SuperZings single packs for their entire year group. However, as Te Uku School is a relatively small school, they were very happy to supply enough for the whole school. SuperZings are zippy little collectables that encourage lots of rich discussion and cooperative play opportunities.

Well done Caleb 😊 Lots of children loved getting their SuperZings last week to take home.

DON'T FORGET ! Tabloids 2019 – Lunch Orders

The Interschool Junior Tabloids are being held at Te Uku School on Friday 1 November.

Lunch Orders are **due** into the office by **tomorrow 25th October**

\$6 chick / vegie wraps

\$6 Nachos

\$3 Juicy Tubes



Calendar Art Orders

The children now have their artwork ready for turning into some amazing gifts.

Get your orders in by closing date **Wednesday October 30th**

\$15 Diary

\$12 Calendar

\$12 Sketch Pad

\$12 Mouse Pad

\$12 Pack of 8 cards

To pay online, please use Fundraiser as the reference bank details:

Te Uku School; 03-1558-0009543-000

Cash payments need to be sent in a named envelope

Kapa Haka Performance and Y7/8 (2020) Information Sharing

Venue: Te Uku School Hall

Date: Wednesday 30 October

Time: 6:00pm Kapa Haka Performance

6:45pm Y7/8 (2020) Information Sharing

Upcoming Events: Term 4 2019

October

- 25** Amazing Race
Ag Day Waitetuna
- 30** Calendar Art - final orders due back
Book Club - final orders due back
Kapa Haka Performance - 6pm
Y7/8 Information sharing evening – 6:45pm
- 31** Y1 Assembly

November

- 14** Y7/8 Assembly
- 22** Y5-8 Cricket Festival
School Disco
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- 28** Y5/6 Assembly

December

- 2** Western Cluster Athletics
- 3-4** Y7/8 Camp Raglan
- 12** Y2-4 Assembly
- 13** Picnic in the Pines
- 18** Junior Assembly – 9.30am
Senior Assembly – 6.30pm
- 19** Y8 Leavers Dinner

Term Dates 2019

Term 1:

Thursday 7 Feb - Friday 12 April

Term 2:

Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July

Term 3:

Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September

Term 4:

Monday 14 October - Friday 20 December
(28th October Labour Day)

Term Dates 2020

Term 1:

Tuesday 4 Feb - Thursday 9 April
(Good Friday 10th Apr)

Term 2:

Tuesday 28 April - Friday 3 July
(27th Apr ANZAC observance day)

Term 3:

Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

Term 4:

Monday 12 October – Tuesday 15 December