

James Street School

Week Four Term Four 2023 - 31 October

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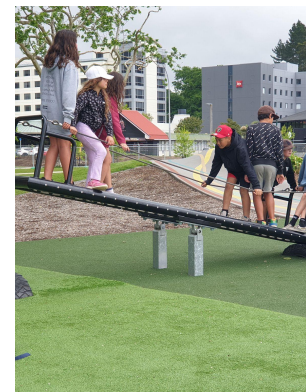
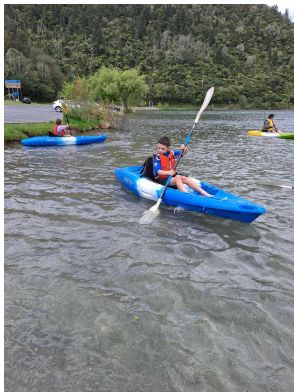
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Welcome to our new student and whānau who has started school with us this week: Blaze.

Our senior students have had loads of fun at their EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) experiences. Pohutukawa and Puriri students spent their days at Little Moments Forest School, Paradise Valley Springs and the Redwoods Tree Tops Walk, and then playing indoor bowls and swimming. Kahikatea and Rimu spent their days camping at the Blue Lake Top 10 in Rotorua. Their activities included kayaking, swimming, the Buried Village, Paradise Valley Springs and the Redwoods Tree Top Walk. **These events cannot happen without the support of our whānau - so a massive thank you to all the parents who took time out to be a camp parent or EOTC supporter.**



What's on this week?

- Whaea Natalie and Whaea Apaira are attending a conference in Tauranga from Wednesday to Friday. It is a conference for and about Special Education in New Zealand schools.
- Our maths inclass support mentor is back in school to support students with their learning and teachers with making maths connections for their learners.
- Puriri class is leading our celebration assembly on Friday morning at 8:45am, under the shade area.
- Our Year 3 to 6 tamariki are then taking part in our school athletics day. This will start with sprints at 9:30am and then the field events will follow on. Our top athletes will then be selected to take part in the Inter School Athletics event which our school runs.

What's coming up next week?

- Nga Puawai - our 3 and 4 classes have their noho marae week at Te Whare o Toroa. All classes will attend the powhiri on Monday morning. I know you have received panui and updated notices about this week. Again thank you to our whānau who are supporting this week.

2024 Enrolments

To help with 2024 class planning if you have a child turning 5 or you have neighbours or whanau who have children turning 5, please pop in and get an enrolment form.

Positive Behaviour for Learning

Growing Great Learners is our positive approach to teaching behaviour. Each week we have a learning focus and the behaviour is explicitly taught. DOJO points are given to tamariki who are actively displaying positive behaviour. Special rewards are held during the term for students who collect 50 and 100 DOJO points. DOJOs are also given out in the playground; these go into the aroha bucket and special draws are made at our celebration assembly each Friday.

Congratulations to: Grace, Connor, Stormy, Maiden and Aarleyah who had their names drawn out of the AROHA bucket on Friday

This week each class teacher has chosen a focus area for learning, depending on the need in class.

We are safe - Kei te whakahaumarū mātou

We are Respectful - Kei te whakaoha mātou

We are proud - Kei te whakamana mātou

Te Reo Maori me ona Tikanga

We start each morning with a karakia/prayer and a himene. Each week we learn a new kiwaha/phrase in Te Reo Maori and use it as often as we can during the day. Our kiwaha leaders this week are Thea and Ali both from Pohutukawa.

This week we are learning to ask how a person is (or a group of people). Kei te pehea koe? (1 person) Kei te pehea korua (2 people) Kei te pehea koutou? (3 or more people)

Our himene is Te Aroha.

Attendance at school

This year we are giving out certificates for attendance. Each week one student will be selected from each class to receive a certificate for being at school every day. These are awarded at Friday's celebration assembly. At the end of each term those students with 100% attendance will receive a certificate also.

If your child is away for any reason, we need to know. You can:

- ring the school and leave a message - 3086855
- text me with a message - 0272604859
- send a dojo message to your child's teacher
- use Skool Loop - absentee tab

Dates to pop on the calendar:

- 20 November: Teacher Only Day - school closed
- 7 December: Year 6 Leavers' celebration
- 12 December: Prize Giving and whanau morning tea, starting at 9:30am
- 15 December: Last day of school, finishing at 12 noon
- 31 January 2024: Term One begins

Pop in anytime for a chat or give me a ring.

Kia pai to rā - have a great day.

Roz Dakin
Principal