

JAMES STREET SCHOOL

Term One Week Five 2024 - 27 February

Wāhanga Tuatahi Wiki Tuarima - rua tekau ma whitu o Hui-tanguru



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Welcome to our new student and their whānau who has started with us in the past week: Khan

Our annual Noho Marae Week began yesterday with a full school pōwhiri at Pūpūarehu Marae. A number of our children and whānau whakapapa to this marae and we have begun to hear and learn their pūrakau.

This week's **Kiwaha Maori** is Haere mai ki konei - please come here - haere mai ki konei
Our himene is Nga Whakamoemiti
Our kiwaha presenters are

Our learning for **Growing Great Learners** this week is based on two of our expectations:

- Our Cyber Safety agreement and use of chrome books and ipads in our classrooms
- Our expectations for using a school bike and our new bike track. Neil who has built our bike track will work with each class this week.

The bike track is to be used by bikes only - both in and out of school hours.

Aroha Bucket - this is drawn each Friday at our celebration assembly
Ngā mihi ki a koutou to: Marley, Cajun, Billie, Tawhiri, Olivia and Lilly who were caught being safe, proud and respectful in the playground last week.

Attendance
'Regular' attendance is defined for statistical purposes as 90% or higher. However, Ministry of Education analysis shows every day has a cumulative impact on a child's learning and there is no 'safe' level of non-attendance. **Every day matters.**

Parking
Please park respectfully on both James Street and Henderson Street - not on our neighbours' berms or in their driveways, or on yellow lines.
Please do not try to park inside the school grounds and cause congestion. The parks inside the gates are for parents of students with High learning Needs, the Go Bus vans who pick up students and Bizzy Buddyz who also pick up students.
Please do not walk through these car parks, use the pedestrian gates by the office and in front of the pedestrian crossing.
Thank you for following our car park safety rules 😊

If your child is away from school, please let us know. You can do this by:

- Ringing 3086855 and leaving a message
- Texting 0272604-859
- Using Skool Loop - Absentee button
- Using the fb messenger option

Leave your child's name, class and the reason why they are away. We have to report to the Ministry on absences - whether they are **medical**, a **justified reason** (eg a family bereavement), an **explained reason** (eg going shopping). If you don't contact us and we can't contact you the absence is recorded as truant.

What's on this week:

- **Noho Marae** week. Today Ti Kouka, Manuka and Kahikatea classes are at the marae. Tomorrow Rimu and Puriri will be at the marae.
- Netball starts this afternoon for our Year 1 and 2 team and our Year 3 and 4 team. Thank you to all the parents who have committed to supporting netball this year.
- **FUN 4 U** is on Thursday for our Year 1 to 3 tamariki. It is a fun morning held at Rex Morpeth Park. Parent helpers will be required for transport.
- Manuka class are visiting Otamakaokao / Awatapu Lagoon to plan their lagoon mahi for this year, on Friday.
- Kowhai class is leading our Celebration Assembly on Friday morning. You will find us under the shade area at 8:45am.

What's coming up:

- EBOP Ripa kicks off next Monday after being cancelled yesterday. We have three teams in the competition - again thanks to the parents who are able to commit to coaching.
- The Board has received formal employer notification of paid union meetings as required under legislation - **school will close at 12:45pm on Monday 18 March for teachers to attend a paid union meeting.** Under section 26 of the Employment Relations Act (ERA) 2000, paid union meetings are an entitlement for all union members.

Celebrating learners

Our junior school tamariki spent the day at Pūpūarehu Marae. Hearing a purakau and learning about the parts of a whareni were two of the learning activities they participated in.



Feel free to pop in for a chat - my door is usually open. If there is anything you think we can support with please ask.

Ngā mihi nui

Roz Dakin - Tumuaki