

JAMES STREET SCHOOL

Term Two Week Three 2024 - 14 May

Wāhanga Tuarua Wiki Tuatoru - tekau ma wha o Haratua



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Welcome to our tamariki and their whānau: Jehu, Anna, Abel, Sara, Kirain and Esandi-Linethra.

Ngā mihi ki a koutou to our 2024 Student Leaders: Kei, Kara, Quinn, Colton, Jonny, Leah, Jackie-Anau, Caspar, Martha, Eva, Kayana and Michael.

What's on this week:

- The junior classes have been learning about being Firewise and yesterday Fireman Daniel came to visit. The children enjoyed dressing up as firefighters and have brought a Firewise booklet home to share with you. They practised leaving a room when the smoke alarm was activated by crawling out to safety outside.
- You can make a Scholastic book order - orders close on Thursday.
- On Thursday Support Staff across Aotearoa New Zealand are being celebrated. We have lots of treats in store for our kaiawhina / teacher aides and we can't wait to share these with them. Our kaiawhina currently cover 460 hours of support a week for our tamariki.
- Friday is PINK SHIRT DAY. Our tamariki want to be known as UPSTANDERS - standing up for what is right and kindness to others. Tamariki can come to school dressed in mufti with a pink theme, on Friday. Bring a dollar coin donation.
- Kowhai class is leading our Celebration Assembly on Friday. Come along and join in - 12:15pm under the shade area.

Important dates for this term:

- 28 May - School Cross Country. This is held at Awatapu Lagoon and starts at 11:00 am. This is a whole school event.
- 31 May - Teacher Only Day. **School is closed.** This is one of the two days the Ministry of Education has set down for schools to be closed for teacher learning this year. The second date is 15 November.
- 3 June - School closed - Public holiday - King's Birthday.
- 27 June - school and whānau Matariki celebration. You will be invited to this :)
- 28 June - School closed - Public Holiday - Matariki
- 5 July - End of Term 2.

Celebrating learners: our firefighters



Pause Breathe Smile

Ākonga, kaiako and kaiwahina are practising mindfulness - mindful breathing, mindful movement and mindful eating.

This week's **Kiwaha Maori** is Kei te pēhea koe? How are you?
Kei te pēhea koe?
Our himene is Wairua Tapu.
Our kiwaha presenters are Ali and Eva from Rimu.
We are also learning a new Karakia Timatanga -
Ka tohi au ki te tohi a Nuku
Ka tohi au ki te tohi a Rangī
I tupu iho ko ngā Pū
Ngā Weu Ngā More Ngā Pūkenga
Ngā Wānanga Ngā Taura Ngā Taurira
Tēnei te kimi noa te rapu noa
I te taketake, i te ahuru mai nōa ngā rangi tūhāhā
Uhi, Wero, haramai te tōki
Haumi e, Hui e, TAIKI E!

Aroha Bucket - this is drawn each Friday at our celebration assembly.

This term as well as individuals being drawn out of the aroha bucket there will be a class prize for the most aroha bucket dojos. Our individual winners are: Cajun, Olivia, Marley, Ricco, Levi, Nathan, Hunter Hayes, Kiwi Lee, Jackie-Anau (x2), Mason (Rimu) and Aroha.

This week playground dojos are being given to tamariki who **greet others politely and use their manners.**

Week One winner - Kauri

Week Two winner - Matai

Reminders:

- All our students are expected to wear the **correct uniform**. Plain black shorts or long pants, school polo shirt and polar fleece. We have lots of second hand polar fleeces available as well as new. Favourite hoodies, sweatshirts or jackets are not part of our uniform.
- Crocs are OK - but no jibbitz please. Most school trips require covered footwear to be worn.
- Jewellery is kept to a minimum. No dangly earrings.
- Helmets must be worn if your child is biking to school.
- Please don't send toys - they are both a distraction and a temptation.
- Lollies, chewing gum, bubble gum, chocolate, fizzy drinks, raro sachets and energy drinks are not permitted.

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.**

If your child is away from school, please let us know. You can do this by: ringing 3086855 and leaving a message, texting 0272604859, 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. Currently the tamariki who have attended school all week receive a **chocolate fish** on Friday. One child from each class receives a **certificate**. Week Two certificates went to: Saskia, Whare, Fairlane, Acacia-Rain, Kaylani, Honesty, Grace, Holly, Jonny, Ayva-Rose, Koby and Hunter.

WEEK ONE TROPHY WINNER - KAHIKATEA 98%

WEEK TWO TROPHY WINNER - TI KOUKA 94%

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 - Tumukaki