

JAMES STREET SCHOOL

Term Two Week Seven 2024 - 11 June

Wāhanga Tuarua Wiki Tuawhito - tekau ma tahi o Pipiri



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Welcome to our new tamariki and their whānau: Maketu, Aahana, Te Rahui, Braxton and Amelia-Rose.

What's on this week:

- Lane Thurgood and Oscar Prescott are representing us at the Eastern Bay of Plenty Cross Country at Opotiki on Thursday. These two gained placings at the Interschool competition held recently at Ohope Beach School.
- Scholastic Book club closes on Thursday.
- Totara class is leading our celebration assembly at 12:15pm on Friday. Meet with us under the shade area.
- Mrs Forster is heading to Whangarei on Friday for the New Zealand National Indoor Bowls competition. (Mrs Byrne will be teaching in Ponga next week).

Important dates for this term:

- June - this month we are taking part in Jumping June. We have received skipping ropes and tamariki are taking part in a daily challenge. On 20 June we will celebrate our new skipping skills and we ask that the tamariki bring a gold coin donation for the Heart Foundation. The Heart Foundation's goal is to help everyone in New Zealand keep their hearts healthy and live full lives.
- 20 June - we have a Ki-O-Rahi team heading to Opotiki to take part in the local competition. A separate letter will come home for this.
- 21 June - We have a girls team entering the EBOP Schools Gymnastics competition.
- 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 Rugby 5s teams. Thanks to our coaches for the training prior to the competition and their support on the day.



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 whakawhetai ahau - I am grateful - kei te whakawhetai anau.

We are also learning a new karakia:

Karakia Timatanga -

Ka tohi au ki te tohi a Nuku

Ka tohi au ki te tohi a Rangi

I tupu iho ko ngā Pū

Ngā Weu Ngā More Ngā Pūkenga

Ngā Wānanga Ngā Taura Ngā Tawira

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 aroha bucket winners for last week are:**

Sonny-Rose, Angaanga, Tyga, Ria, Tewa and Riku. Nga mihi ki a koutou - congratulations.

This week playground dojos are being given to tamariki who are noticed **caring for our environment.**

Week Six winner - Kowhai class

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 Six certificates went to **Gouri, Kyah, Gurshabad, Alice, Maketu, Keanu, Amos, Joseph, Lexine, Rhyshian and Elijah.**

WEEK SIX TROPHY WINNERS - RIMU, MANUKA and TOTARA 94%

Our regular attendance (over 90% attendance) for Term One was 61%. This is a huge improvement from 47% in Term One 2023.

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