



# Kaitaia Primary School

Kia Ngawari (Be Kind)

## NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 22nd May 2024 Term 2 Week 4



Kia ora koutou!

Sorry to say, but the winter cold and flu bug has put Mr M out of action so far this week. I guess it is a timely reminder to us all to stay warm and dry. On the bright side, I'm still testing negative for Covid. Hopefully, this experience will build some immunity and help me to get through the upcoming winter months okay.

I'd like to say thank you to all the whanau who are now using our school pedestrian crossing regularly. Your tamariki are really showing improvement in their ability to cross a busy road safely, because of your guidance.

Don't forget, Kaitaia Primary School will be closed this Thursday 23rd May as Top Energy are doing some line maintenance on Church Road in our area. The power will be off from 9am to 3pm at school. This makes a number of things very difficult and compromises our school's ability to respond to emergencies, should they arise. We thank you for your understanding and hope your tamariki enjoy the day, safe at home. Students may have work they've brought home or can do online this Thursday. Please support them with their mahi, as you always do.

Nga mihi,  
Brendon Morrissey (Mr M)  
Principal



Wk 3 Best Attendance - Rm 6  
Wk 3 Best Uniform - Rms 2, 22 & 23

Wk 3 MANAWA Winners



Wk 4 MANAWA Winners

Wk 4 Best Attendance - Rm 2  
Wk 4 Best Uniform - Rms 2, 22, & 23



## Reminders

- The ear nurse specialist has her caravan parked at the Plunket building opposite REAP on Puckey Ave every Wednesday from 9-1pm if you would like your children to have a check up.
- Follow our school Facebook page to see notices, reminders, event results, and photos from around our school: [www.facebook.com/kaitaiaprimery](http://www.facebook.com/kaitaiaprimery)
- School Assemblies are held every Friday at 9.45am. Whanau are always welcome to attend these with us.

## Upcoming Events

- **TOMORROW!! Thursday 23rd May - School closed due to power outage on Church Road**
- Monday 3rd June - King's Birthday; school closed
- Thursday 13th June - School Photo Day
- Thursday 27th June - "Matariki" Whanau Day + Assembly
- Friday 28th June - Matariki; school closed

## SPOTTED AT SCHOOL!



Ilaitia from Room 6



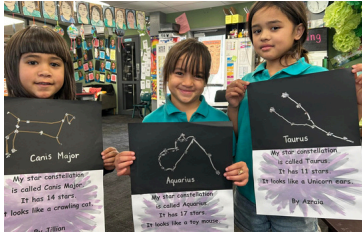
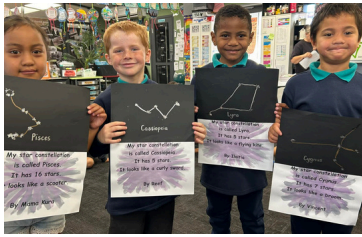
Kowhai on Pink Shirt Day



Room 21 celebrating NZ Sign Language Week



# HIGHLIGHTS FROM...



## Room 6

Room 6 is learning about stars, constellations and navigation this term. Clusters of stars form shapes or images and astrologers have named these constellations. We recreated famous constellations like the Southern Cross using toothpicks and marshmallows then joined them like a dot to dot puzzle. We are excited to learn more about stars and how people used to use them to help navigate the ocean.



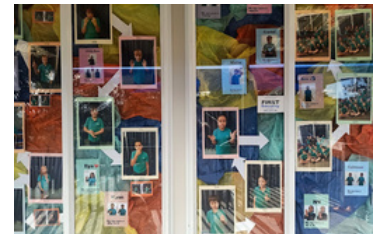
## Room 11

At the start of this term, Room 11 learnt the alphabet in New Zealand Sign Language. We practiced how to greet others and how to fingerspell our names. We created an awesome display for our window, and Room 11 was excited to be rewarded with ice blocks on Pink Shirt day!



## Room 12

Last term R12 researched and created our dream class garden proposal to share with Mr Morrissey. Since then we have been busy collecting resources to create our garden using found, gifted, or purchased materials. Some of us have sown seeds for our winter vegetables. These will be ready to plant out when our garden is completed. We've also had fun sharing and recounting our holiday adventures, then turning them into awesome storyboards for display.



## Room 21

NZSL Week was celebrated with window displays, signing instead of talking and creating a massive whole school heart on the bottom field. Navigation is part of our inquiry. We are learning to understand how our ancestors navigated their way across the ocean from Hawaiiki to Aotearoa. And at the minute we are completing a mini assignment all about ANZAC.