

Kia Ora Tātou Katoa

With only three weeks of school left, we have a number of exciting activities planned. I have attached a separate sheet to this newsletter so that you can put it on your fridge as a reminder.

I have had the privilege over the past couple of weeks of spending some time in classrooms and have been so impressed with the students and teachers. The teachers of our kura are such amazing practitioners, and seeing them in action with your tamariki is such a celebration.

Acknowledgement of this means a lot to them and, just like for the students, recognition of their capabilities is so valued.

Organisation for 2022

On Wednesday, December 8, all tamariki will meet their teachers for next year and visit the classroom.

Ngā mihi, Denyse

\$5 Summer Reading Offer

If you haven't already done so, please fill out and return the \$5 Summer Reading form that was sent home with your tamariki. The offer closes Thursday, Dec 2. Forms are due back before then.

GRIT Awards

Last week's GRIT Certificates went to:

Kākano: Liam, for being a fantastic role model and showing others how to make great choices at Blenheim Kura. Keep it up Liam, you are a superstar; Charlotte, for being brave and getting in and giving everything a go with a huge smile on your dial. Fabulous work Charlotte. Keep it up.

Important Dates

Steadfast Ship Field Trip

The Steadfast sailing ship to Kaipupu Point dates are Harakeke: Friday, 26 November, Rito: Tuesday, 30 November

Last Day of School

The last day of school for the year is Wednesday, December 15. Students will need to be picked up by 1:30pm. **First day back in 2022 will be Tuesday, February 8th.**

Dec 8: Year 6 Bohally Tour

Year 6 students are invited to attend Bohally's open day on Wed December 8 at 9am.

Dec 14: Senior Leavers Event

We will hold an afternoon event to farewell our Year 6 tamariki on Friday, December 10 at 10am at the Clubs of Marlborough. As only the whānau of our Year 6 tamariki and award recipients will be invited, we will be filming this to share with whānau.

Koru: Charlie, for showing responsibility in our classroom and also respect and compassion for others. You show leadership and initiative to make sure our classroom is a positive place to be. Thank you Charlie; Chloe, for showing GRIT in your learning and in the playground. You set an amazing example to others in the class by being fair, consistent and showing perseverance in your work. We love that you always want to grow as a learner.

Rito: Ryan F and Jahliah.

Caught Being Good: Leo, for showing initiative in learning; Isla, for showing initiative and welcoming new students to our school; Ryan O.

Steadfast Sailing Ship Field Trip

Tomorrow, Harakeke will be going out on the *Steadfast* sailing ship and visiting Kaipupu Point. Please pack a bottle of water and a hearty snack. Lunch is provided. Even if it is a sunny day, it is always cool and windy out on the water; please ensure your child dresses warmly in layers. (S)he must wear long pants, two layers with long sleeves, a warm jacket and sturdy shoes. Bring a beanie-style hat and an extra layer in your backpack. Thank you to the whānau who have signed up to support Harakeke tomorrow. **Rito's turn will be on Tuesday, 30 November.**



Blenheim School Important Dates

Please put this calendar somewhere handy as a reference for the next few weeks:

DAY	DATE	EVENT	NOTES
Friday	26 Nov	Steadfast sailing trip, Harakeke only	Pack a bottle of water and a hearty snack. Lunch is provided. Even if it is a sunny day, please ensure your child dresses warmly with long pants, two layers with long sleeves, a warm jacket and sturdy shoes. Bring a beanie-style hat and an extra layer in your backpack
Friday	26 Nov	New Entrant Open Hour Visit the classroom 10-11am	
Tuesday	30 Nov	Steadfast sailing trip, Rito only	Pack a bottle of water and a hearty snack. Lunch is provided. Even if it is a sunny day, please ensure your child dresses warmly with long pants, two layers with long sleeves, a warm jacket and sturdy shoes. Bring a beanie-style hat and an extra layer in your backpack
Wednesday	1 Dec	Sports Tasman Top Team inter-school sports day 11:45am - 2:45pm	
Friday	3 Dec	Whole-school trip to Pelorus 915am departure	Pack a bottle of water and a hearty snack. Lunch is provided. Even if it is a sunny day, please ensure your child has a warm jacket along and sturdy shoes. Bring a raincoat in your backpack
Wednesday	8 Dec	All student will visit the classroom and teacher they are transitioning to next year	
Wednesday	8 Dec	Bohally & Tech Center tour leaving from school at 9am, Year 6 students only	
Friday	10 Dec	End of Year Celebration, 10am at Clubs of Marlborough	Only the whānau of our Year 6 tamariki and award recipients will be invited
Monday	13 Dec	KiwiCan Wet n Wild and Whole-school Teddy Bears Picnic	We will eat our school lunches with our teddy bears!
Wednesday	15 Dec	Last day of school for 2021	Please pick your child up at 1:30pm