



Kaeo School



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Term 1

Week 1

Hello,

The beginning of a new school year is always an exciting time. For teachers preparing and planning for a new group of children brings great promise of learning and success. For children it can be a nervous time as they enter a new class or sometimes school and wonder about what their new teacher will be like and what friends they will make. For parents and caregivers it is a time of mixed emotions – hope that things will go well, a bit of sadness as children head off largely on their own, and for many relief after a long holiday break!

For me, it is always a happy time as the quiet school of summer holidays becomes an interesting and vibrant place again as the children return. It is truly one of the best days of my year seeing how happy and keen our children are to return to Kaeo School.

Thank you for entrusting your children to us – we will work hard to do our very best for them and for you again this year.

Our powhiri for students and staff new to Kaeo School will take place this Friday at 9am and everyone is most welcome to attend.

Kind regards,

Paul Barker.

Stationery

We have worked hard with our suppliers to keep prices to a minimum and the standard of items high. Packs are available from the office now it would be appreciated if they could be purchased as soon as possible so that learning can get underway. Prices (including the school donation of \$20) are – Room 1 \$48.50, Room 2 \$43.00, Room 3 \$53.50, Room 4 \$65.80, Room 5 \$45.50, Room 6 \$44.80.

The \$20 donation is not compulsory but covers some of the smaller additional costs throughout the year (e.g. the bus fare to Totara North, Matauri Bay and Waitaruke for inter school events) and saves us charging these throughout the year.

Welcome

A big WELCOME to Mrs Tracey Robinson who joins us this year. Tracey will teach in Room 5 and if her organisation and commitment over the summer is anything to go by we can expect a whole lot of quality teaching and learning in 2018!



Welcome to Kaeo School Mrs Robinson.

Summer Reading

Well done to everyone who completed their summer reading and thanks to those who have already returned their library books. It would be appreciated if all summer reading books could be returned to school, in the summer reading book bag, by next Friday please. A small surprise will be awarded to every child who returns their books along with their summer reading form signed by an adult by this date.

Meet the Teacher Evening

Meet the teacher evening is next Thursday (the 15th of February) at 5.30pm, beginning in the hall. From there, there will be an opportunity to spend some time with your child's teacher and then the teachers will share some ideas around how you can help your child learn at home through fun activities and games before we move outside for a sausage sizzle dinner.

Formal interviews are later in the term and the Meet the Teacher evening is designed to set the scene for the year and individual appointments are not available. If you do need to spend time with your child's teacher outside of the formal interview schedule please contact the office to make an appointment.

We look forward to seeing you!

"Hope smiles from the threshold of the year to come, whispering 'it will be happy'..." - Alfred Tennyson.