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Term 1

Week 1

Hello,

The beginning of a new school year is always an exciting time. For me, after the quiet of the summer holidays school becomes an interesting and vibrant place again when the children return. It is truly one of the best days of my year seeing how happy and keen the children are to be back at Kaeo School.

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!

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.

Kind regards,

Paul Barker.

Powhiri

Our powhiri for new students to Kaeo School will take place next Monday the 11th of February at 9am and everyone is most welcome to attend.

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. This year we are asking for \$50 per child which covers:

- the total cost of stationery
- 3 x interschool trips
- Life Education Trust visit
- \$5 towards copying costs.

It would be appreciated if this could be paid as soon as possible please.

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.

Congratulations

Congratulations to past pupil Keenan Rush who was last week named as Head Boy of Wesley College in Auckland. Keenan was always a diligent, thoughtful, committed student who consistently displayed leadership skills (and often a well-developed sense of humour) both in the classroom and across the school.

Here is a picture of Keenan during his time with us (he clearly was already reaching for the stars!).



Mr Barker

Mr Barker has been waiting all summer for an operation on his knee and as luck would have it, it has been scheduled, right as school begins again, on the 7th of February. He will be away from school for a week or so after the operation. Debbie Hancock will be acting principal in his absence but she will also be teaching in Room 4 so if you need to contact her please do so via the office and Debbie will get back to you as soon as she is able.

Meet the Teacher Evening

Meet the teacher evening is next Thursday (the 14th 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 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!

"Help others get ahead. You will always stand taller with someone else on your shoulders." - Bob Moawad.