



# Kaeo School



*Learn, Love, Contribute, Grow*

*Aim High—Stand Tall - Taraia nga taumata E tu teitei*

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**Term 1  
Week 9**

Hello,

Kaeo School has a reputation for being an open and welcoming place and we do our very best to be supportive across the community.

Over the last couple of years we have, by necessity, had to minimise the amount of contact that we have had with others. Having the drop off and collection points at the front of the school, restricting the instances that non-staff enter school, and ensuring that visitors wear a mask as appropriate, have all contributed to school being able to remain open and functioning largely as normal this term.

Additionally, everyone being supportive and acting responsibly around keeping children home when they are unwell, when they have contracted Covid 19 or are self isolating has contributed greatly to our school being a safe place for children and staff alike – this is appreciated.

Last week some of the requirements around Covid 19 were amended by the government and so some of the things that have served us well can be tweaked a little. Our plan though is to continue as we are for now and to consider our next steps over the upcoming holiday break.

We do expect to be able to return to being more open over time but consider it prudent to do this slowly and carefully with an eye on the Covid 19 situation that we are experiencing around our school community. Having traversed the 'Omicron Wave' reasonably successfully to date we do not want to open up too soon and let the virus into school now.

For those that currently have Covid 19 or are isolating we wish you well and look forward to you recovering from the virus and to your children returning to school.

Kind regards,  
Paul Barker.

### Students of the Week

Congratulations to the Students of the Week for Week 8 – Tayla, Jah-naya, Hartley, Murphy-Rose, Wairua, Laura and Floyd. Well done to each of them.



### Covid 19 Vaccinations

Consent forms for Covid 19 vaccinations were sent home earlier this week. This was both for children requiring their second dose of the vaccination and for those requiring their first dose. There is no compulsion around vaccination and if you do not want your child to be vaccinated then simply do nothing, but if you do want your child to be vaccinated then please complete and return the consent form to school as soon as possible. Vaccinations will take place next Wednesday here at school. Children that have contracted Covid 19 in the last three months are not able to be vaccinated.

### Easter Raffle

We have sold a lot of entries in this year's Easter Raffle. If you would like to be in with a chance to win one of three lovely Easter Baskets please send \$2 per entry or \$5 for three entries to school as soon as possible please. The raffle will be drawn early in week 11.

### End of Term

The last day of this term is Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> of April (the day before Good Friday). School will close at 1pm that day.

*"How much time he saves who does not look to see what his neighbor says or does or thinks." – Marcus Aurelius Antoninus.*