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KERRY'S THOUGHTS



Tēna Koe, Talofa Lava, Kia Orana, Malo e lelei,
Bula vinaka,
Fakalofa lahi atu, Taloha ni, Fakatalofa atu and
warm greetings to you all

School lunches could start earlier than we anticipated. We have signed up with two companies, Kāpura Schools Limited who will supply lunches on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday which will be a sandwich or a roll. There will also be fruit and some nibbles like pretzels etc. Subway will supply on a Thursday and this will be a 4inch sub and a yoghurt or piece of fruit. Every child will get morning tea and lunch delivered to their class. These lunches have gone through a review with a health panel looking at nutrition and nourishing food that our KURA kids will like. The lunches come in a plastic container and these are all recycled so this helped with our decision making. In my next newsletter I will be able to share the menu with you. We are sending out today a message to your email to ask if your KURA kid is:

Vegan

Vegetarian

Gluten Free

Halal

Allergic to a product

Then we need you to tell us as this is a different lunch. So **PLEASE** only **RESPOND** if your child is one of these 5 things.

A big thank you to the whānau who came into school on Monday for our open class evening, we are very aware for some whānau this is an opportunity to see the class and meet the kaiako, as they are at work in school hours. Our staff really loved talking to you and finding out more information.

We are part of Professional Development with Massey University on Healthy Active Learners. Some of the evaluation data to start this work will begin next week and all our staff are interviewed and KURA kids are asked about their feelings on physical activity and the motivation to do physical activities. There will be a group of people outside school over the next week or so asking whānau about their thoughts. We will have some focus groups across the school who will be part of the evaluation and a couple of classes will get a permission slip home to wear a fancy FIT BIT for a couple of days to collect data.

Some students will get the opportunity to wear an accelerometer (a watch-like device) on their wrist, continuously, for about a week. This measures how many steps children do and how active they are (how quickly and intensely they move). It **does not** contain a camera or GPS locator. It is waterproof and sturdy. Only those children who have ticked "Yes" on their consent form will get one. Consent forms will be sent home next week.

TAMARIKI

Some children will wear a watch-like object that measures physical activity for 5 – 7 days

- This is worn on the wrist
- This measures:
 - Steps
 - Activity level - Light/moderate/vigorous
 - How well they are sleeping

The watch should be worn all the time (where possible).

This means they can wear it:

- In the shower or bath
- In the pool or at the beach
- To sleep

It does not track location or contain a camera



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Remember to keep dropping our KURA kids at the front of school, this will help normalise them if we need to go to another level. If your child is sick, please ring healthline on 0800 611 116 and remember that washing hands is very important.

YMCA –We have worked hard to negotiate a great deal with YMCA for our whānau and you will have seen that before school care is \$4.50 from 7.30am to 8.30am. After school care is \$8.50 and this starts at 3pm to 6pm. Please phone YMCA on 02108299256 to organise this.

Our office staff are spending far too much time at the moment following up on children who are absent from school. You must call each day your child is away or let us know in advance if they will be absent for a longer period.

You can do this by the following methods:

Absent line 236 8399

Texting the school phone on 027 757 0272

Emailing – office@titahibay.school.nz

Using our School App which you can download from the App Store for iPhones or Play Store for Android. Search SchoolAppsNZ and download, then search Titahi Bay School.

It was so exciting for our Year 6's today to hop on the bus and go to El Rancho camp. I look forward to having dinner with them on Thursday night and seeing tired but happy KURA kids.



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2021 TERM DATES

Term 1 – 2 February – 16 April

Term 2 – 3 May - 9 July

Term 3 – 26 July – 1 October

Term 4 – 18 October – 13 December

IMPORTANT DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY

24-26 February – Y6 Camp returning to school at 3pm Friday

25 February – Waikanae Pool trip – Koru and Kākano Hubs

8 March – Pōwhiri 9am

2 April – Good Friday – NO SCHOOL

5 April – Easter Monday – NO SCHOOL

6 April – Easter Tuesday – NO SCHOOL

7 April – Teacher Only Day – NO SCHOOL

16 April – Term 1 ends

TEACHER ONLY DAYS

Wednesday 7th April – NO SCHOOL

Friday 4th June – NO SCHOOL

Friday 22nd October – NO SCHOOL



1/2 Price Kids Entry at Staglands on Children's Day

Staglands Wildlife Reserve will be celebrating Children's Day on Sunday 7th March by offering 1/2 PRICE ENTRY into The Reserve for ALL CHILDREN.

*In addition to their usual attractions visitors can enjoy **free off-road tractor-trailer rides**. So if you are looking for a fun Children's day outing for the whole family; meet at Staglands and Connect with Nature on Sunday 7th March.*

**Offer is not available with any other offer. Children (0-16 years) must be accompanied by paying adult.*

For more information visit www.staglands.co.nz

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