



Kiwi Connection

Growing Together As One

NEWSLETTER

Week 7 Term 1

**Kia ora koutou e te whanau**

### Welcome to Week 7

I can't believe that we are now half way through the first term of the year. Warmest welcome especially to our new students and their families. Welcome Luseane, Kalo, Kilifi, Tehea and Temea.

We would also like to welcome Meriana who is a student teacher who is based in the Village teaching alongside Miss Petrea.

### Life Education Lessons

We have had an eventful couple of weeks and have enjoyed attending the life education van to further enhance our learning around our inquiry.



### Stepping Out Programme

Years 1- 3 participated in the Stepping Out Programme with Constable Rob. We discussed travelling safely on bikes, scooters, by car or foot. We went for a lovely hiko (walk) around the neighbourhood to practice everything we had learnt.



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## Hub Assembly

Our KC hub students hosted our assembly and did a fabulous job. They performed a new choreographed jump jam routine.



## Treasure Hunt of Learning

Thank you to all parents, grandparents and caregivers who were able to attend the Treasure Hunt of Learning open morning. We hope you enjoyed engaging in your child's learning.



## Principal Certificate Recipients

Finally we would like to congratulate our students who received a Principal Certificate:

### Hazel McCready and Poppy Thomas.



**Hazel McCready** was awarded her certificate for setting an example of excellence in behaviour and cooperation.

**Poppy Thomas** was awarded her certificate for being a mature learner who gets on with her work without a fuss and is committed to her learning.

## Our PB4L focus for this week:

I show respect for the environment. I bring waste free morning teas and lunches to school. I sit and eat in one spot with my class for the first 5 (morning tea) or 10 (lunch) minutes of break. When I am finished I dispose of my rubbish appropriately (food scrap = yellow bin, recyclables = blue bin, landfill = red bin) before playing.



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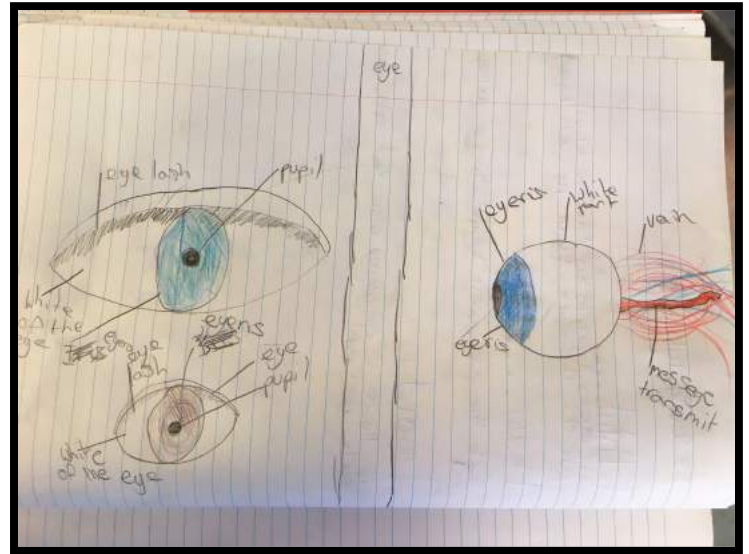
## Hub Inquiry News:

### Is Seeing Believing?

After an experiment that showed we all have a blind spot, we decided to investigate and see if we could work out why. We started looking at a diagram of an eye but we had lots of questions about what we saw so we thought it would be a good idea to draw our own diagrams showing what we think we know.

We drew two diagrams of our partner's eye. One that showed the parts of the eye that we could see and one where we imagined we could see their whole eye from the side. We all had different ideas about what was in the eye and also, what the parts were called. Some of us knew the names for parts of the eye but we weren't sure what they were or what they did. We wanted to look inside a real eye to see what's in there. So, Kate found a video of a cow's eye dissection. We are making changes to our own diagrams with the new information we learn.

Here are some of our diagrams showing what we thought we knew before the video:



### Reminders:

#### Booking Parent/Teacher Conferences:

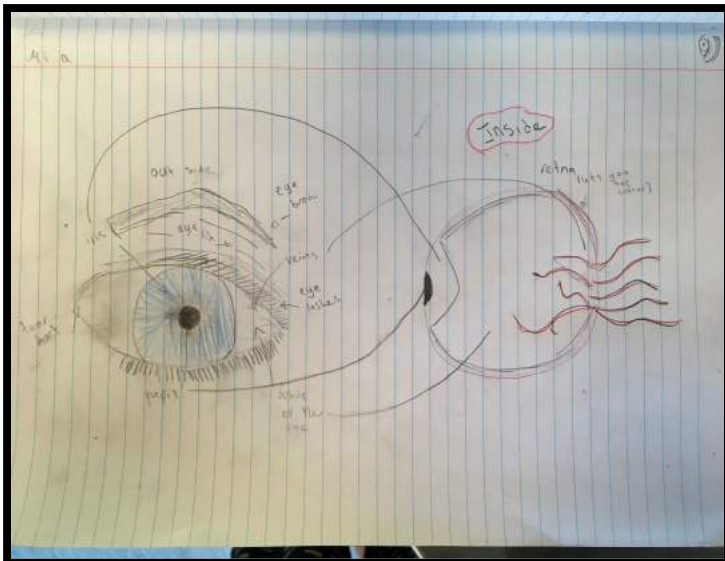
Parent /Teacher/Child conferences will be taking place on Tuesday 20th [1pm to 7pm] and Wednesday 21st of March [1pm to 5pm].

Kiwi Connection parents please book with your child's Literacy Teacher:

How to book the interview

- <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>
- The booking code is: xw8h7

If unsure please talk to your child's teacher before booking the interview.



#### Sport Notice:

##### Basketball

**Next Thursday 15th 4pm - 8pm is our final Bay City Slick muster night. Venue: YMCA Pitt Street, City.**

If your child is keen to play on Saturday afternoons from 5th May, then please fill out the online enrolment form so they can be put into a team for the season. We are 8 weeks away and training nights will commence 29th March.

To register please [Click here](#)

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<http://absl.co.nz/News/News-Archive/bay-city-slick-excited-to-launch-their-new-services> for more info.



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**3.5KM WALK\***  
**FAMILY AND FRIENDS FUN DAY**  
**SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2018 - TAHAKI RESERVE, 250 MT EDEN RD.**

**BUDDY WALK NZ**



Whether you have Down syndrome, know someone who does, or just want to show your support, come along and join us for a day of celebration and fun.



**KAPOW!**

**DRESS UP THEME,**  
 Dress dressed as your favourite character and be in to WIN!  
**COSTUME PRIZES ARE FOR:**  
 Best Pre-schooler  
 Best School Age  
 Best Adult  
 Best Group

9am: Music, food & coffee  
 9.30am: Welcome & JUMP JAM warm up  
 10am: Walk starts  
 11am: Live entertainment & activities

**Entertainment includes:**

- Live Music • 4x4 Jeep • Bouncy castles • Raffles
- Lucky dip • Silent auction • Prizes for best dressed
- Cake stall • Merry-Go-Round • Face Painters
- Rock climbing walls • Farm animals • Bobbie Mae
- Roaming Dalek • Food and Drink stalls
- 50 cinema • Captain Crunch • And much more...

\*This walk registration is 2018 with thanks to our major sponsor Greenways Trust.  
[www.walk.org.nz](http://www.walk.org.nz)

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## Important Dates and Times:

*Tuesday 20th March:*

1-7pm Parent/Teacher/Child Conferences  
 5-7pm Family Picnic

*Wednesday 21st March:*

1-5pm Parent/Teacher Conferences

*Monday 26th March:*

Teacher only Day

*Friday 30th March- Monday 3rd April:*

Easter break- (Public Holidays) No school

*Friday 13th April:*

Last day of Term 1

## Water Only School

We are a **'water only'** school. School staff will be reminding children of this and will also remove drinks other than water from children. They will be asked to take it home.



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