



Kiwi Connection

Growing Together As One

NEWSLETTER

Kia ora koutou e te whanau

Welcome to Week 9 Term 3

With only two weeks left, this term seems to have flown by! With that sentiment in mind we would like to thank everyone that has volunteered their time to help Kiwi Connection in one way or another. Please know that it is extremely appreciated by both the tamariki ma and the kaiako.

Reminder: Our Parent/Teacher/Child conferences are **next week. Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th September.** Please schedule a time with us as we would love to celebrate and discuss your child's learning with you.

A reminder to collect your child/ren from school on Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th September at 1:00pm. Thanks.

Village Updates

Wā Tūhura - Discovery Time

As our term draws nearer to a close, we have continued to enjoy Discovery Time - Wā Tūhura and also Creative Fridays. The warmer weather has meant that we can get outdoors more often and we have been able to offer water and chalk activities as part of Discovery Time. Thanks to Dorothy who frequently comes to take our budding artists for watercolour painting. This is a very calming activity.

Howick Historical Village

We really enjoyed our recent visit to Howick Historical Village to support our inquiry learning. Even though the weather was a bit cold, many of us dressed up for the occasion. The atmosphere was great. Our students were very engaged in the activities that we took part in - dressing up, investigating the travel trunk, digging for old treasures and visiting the old school house. Several parents have told us how much the children had to tell about this trip when they returned home - great to hear it was such a success. The teachers were proud of the children's behaviour on the day.





We hope you have booked (or are about to) for the forthcoming Parent/Teacher/Child Conferences. We hope to see all our families. Your children will be excited to talk about their learning and about their next steps.

Hub Updates

Stardome Observatory

Our teachers and students in The Hub have had a busy week! On Monday we visited the Stardome Observatory. We listened to a presentation about the adaptations astronauts must go through to survive in space, we completed a quiz over different topics in the walk through exhibits, we experienced a simulation take off in the planetarium, and we viewed the night sky as it would appear that evening. Our students loved learning about the physical and mental adaptations astronauts must endure to travel in space where humans are the “aliens!” We also enjoyed identifying planets, constellations, and matariki in the night sky presentation. We would like to thank our parent volunteers for joining us on this wonderful trip.

Hub Assembly

The Hub also led the assembly on Friday. Nina Schluter and Mia Von Randow were our MCs. We had performances by our talented musicians as students entered and exited the hall. We shared four different skits, presented entirely in Te Reo Maori, with the school. The In Our Beat choir performed “Turangawaiwai,” the entire school joined in singing “Tutira Mai” and the Jump Jam Crew led the whole school in the “Poi E” dance.



As we conclude this term, our students will be building space rover models that they sketched and designed as part of a space exploration unit. We are looking to gather different sized cardboard boxes (tissue, toothpaste) to create our models. Please bring your boxes to the teachers this week so we can begin building our rover models in week 10. Thank you for your continued support of our Hub students.

In Our Beat

Our senior students are involved with In Our Beat. We have a choir and some students involved in dance. We encourage you to book tickets as this event is going to be impressive.

In Our Beat ticket sales open Wednesday 26 September at 9:00 AM.

In Our Beat! 2018

*The sounds, moves and grooves of Auckland's
INNER CITY KIDS!*

*A great night of entertainment for the whole family
featuring children from Bayfield, Ponsonby, Freemans Bay,
Richmond Road Grey Lynn, Pt Chevalier, Ponsonby Intermediate,
Westmere and Marist schools.*

MC: Petra Bagust

In our schools. In our community. In our beat!

Victory Convention Centre
98 Beaumont Street
Wednesday 24 October
7:00 - 9:00 (approx)

\$15 (adults) \$10 (seniors, children, students)

\$40 Family ticket (4 tickets - 2 adults, 2 children)



<http://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2018/oct/in-our-beat>

Treasure Hunt of Learning - Whānau Open Morning - Tuesday 18th September

Thank you to all the 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.

Parent/ Teacher/Student Conferences

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th September

Parent/Teacher/Student Learning Conversations will be taking place on Tuesday 25th (1pm to 7pm) and Wednesday 26th of September (1pm to 5pm)

You are able to book times for Parent/Teacher/Student conferences online at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

The school code is 9vnr8

Loud Shirt Day - Friday 28th September



Let's end the term with a Bang!

We are asking children to dress up for Loud Shirt Day and to bring a Gold Coin donation.

What is Loud Shirt Day?

Loud Shirt Day is the annual fundraising appeal dedicated to raising money for deaf children with cochlear implant or hearing aids.

Be a star on Loud Shirt Day – Friday September 28th 2018– and help deaf kids learn to listen and talk like their hearing friends. It's a great way to commit serious fashion crimes and have a whole lot of fun at school. Have a fabulous time wowing your friends with your brightest, funkiest shirt!

Money raised for Loud Shirt Day goes to The Hearing House and the Southern Cochlear Implant Programme so that deaf and hearing-impaired children get the therapy they need to listen and speak like hearing kids. The aim is for deaf children to focus on their abilities not their disability; both charities want deaf kids to be able to maximise their potential - so your donation helps deaf and hearing-impaired kids have a better future.

The Hearing House is based in Auckland and provides services to families living north of Turangi, and the Southern Cochlear Implant Programme is based in Christchurch and provides services to families in the rest of the country. Loud Shirt Day donations go to the region in which they were raised. Neither charity charges deaf children or their families for their services.

Senior School Camp - October 31st to 2nd November

Thank you to those parents who have indicated their availability to support our tamariki during our Senior School Camp.

The Camp Committee will be in touch soon.

A reminder that the \$230 camp fee is due by Friday 28th September.

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 and not to bring it back.

Important Dates and Times:

Friday 21st September:

Reports go home today

Tuesday 25th September:

Parent/Teacher conferences

School finishes early at 1pm

Wednesday 26th September:

Parent/Teacher conferences

School finishes early at 1pm

Friday 28th September:

Last day of Term 3

Monday 15th October:

First day of Term 4



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