



Kia ora e te whānau

As we prepare for the school holidays I want to thank you all for your support in what has been a challenging term. The tragic loss of our beloved kaiako Maia Kuka has been tough on us all, forcing us to reflect on the fragility of life and the importance of making time for friends, colleagues and whānau. A school remembrance event will be planned for Maia.

Learning Partnerships

Thanks to all whānau who attended our Art Exhibition and Student Led Conferences. These celebrations of learning provide tamariki with a valuable audience to share their new skills and knowledge. If you were unable to make the Student Led Conference, please contact the class teacher so an alternative time can be made.

Parent Trustees Wanted

Our Board of Trustee (BOT) elections are approaching. We are keen to hear from people interested in nominating themselves or others for our upcoming election. We are looking for people who are focused on supporting the well-being and achievement of every child. If you would like to find out more about the role of a Parent Trustee, please come to an information session **this Thursday from 6-7pm in our staffroom.**

Matariki Disco

Thanks to our 'Friends of the School' roopu (group) ably led by Kellie Collingwood for organising a highly successful Matariki disco. Great to see so many caregivers, staff and toddlers on the dance floor!

Property

Our new junior playground is due to open this week. We are extremely fortunate to have this and other quality resources available to our school community. Over the holidays, please support us to protect our school by reporting any undesirable activity to the Police or to Nutech Security - 578 8233.

Sports Coordinator

We welcome Whaea Hayley to the role of Sports Coordinator beginning Term 3. Hayley is Māmā to Jaxson, Tai and Charlie. She is an experienced sports coach and manager. Whaea Manda will be working alongside Hayley and will also retain some aspects of the role as she juggles her study commitments. A huge thank you to Whaea Manda who has taken sport at Gate Pā School to a whole new level, increasing the number of participants and the range of sports available. Tu meke Whaea Manda !

Car-Park Safety

A reminder that for safety reasons the staff carpark **cannot** be used by parents, there is however plenty of parking available in the church car-park.

Term 2 ends this Friday 8th July. Stay well over the break and we look forward to welcoming you all back on the 25th July.

Noho ora mai,

Whaea Rochelle Jensen (Tumuaki/Principal)



Nau mai haere mai, to all our new tamariki:
Gurshan, Kyrah, Tame, Te Rangi, Audrina-Lee,
Makaia, Finlay, Harper-Leigh, Jaxon, Elliot, Flynn
and Leonie

It is great to have you at Gate Pā School



2022 Important Dates

Term 3

- Mon 25th July-Term 3 Starts.
- Wed 27 July-Friends of the School dinner meeting 5.30-7pm. All welcome, bring your tamariki.
- Wed 7th September-School Board of Trustees Triennial Elections.
- Wednesday 21 September-Multicultural Festival
- Fri 30th September-Term 3 ends.

Term 4

- Mon 17th October-Term 4 Starts.
- Fri 16th December- Term 4 ends

Koha Shed - Tools to borrow



Starting term 3 out of the shed next to the garden by the Junior playground. Sign out on Friday and return the next Monday.



