

**KAPA HAKA - KIA AROHA COLLEGE**

Tēnā rā koutou katoa. Ka rere aku mihi ki a koutou ngā whānau o te kura o Wiri.

Where to start? Firstly our tamariki. Although we did not place to be selected for nationals in November I'm sure you will all agree our tamariki made us very proud. They performed as best as they could and as kaiako, that's all we ever asked of them. They made our school proud, the kaiako proud, their whānau proud and of course themselves. It has been a very, very hectic journey with practices on Saturdays, after school and some even during the holidays. The commitment has always been there from the tamariki so I thank them for that.

To the parents who helped prepare the roopu at 6:30am in the morning ngā mihi nui rawa atu! Thank you for your support. We as kaiako very much appreciated this.

Finally of course, a huge mihi to our kaiako who have been tutoring our roopu and leading us all on our journey; Whaea Mariana, Whaea Renee, Matua Jono, Whaea Letitia and support from Whaea Hera. E kore rawa ngā mihi e mutu ki a koutou, nā tō koutou whakapau kaha e tū rangatira ai ā mātou tamariki. On that note, kapa haka will be continuing with practices at school. Kaiako will keep you informed of any upcoming kaupapa.

Matua Chris  
Noho ora mai



**INTRODUCING OUR WIRI WHĀNAU LEADERS 2021**

<p>Agnes Matapula, Jethro Tui, Whaea Letitia, Tamatea Scott &amp; Nelalina Elia</p>	<p>Cyrus Faleao, Fiona Solomua, Julius Ring, Matua Joe and Ria Afoa (absent)</p>	<p>Gafatasi Taufaga, Matua Jono, Faaga Lee, Metotisi Paulo Suisala, Archie Kopelani &amp; Mrs Sepuloni (absent)</p>	<p>Mrs Faalavaau, Whaea Hera, Dikshant Sharan, Craig Chang Shi-Ku, Teia Hoeta &amp; Te Akau Scott</p>

**PEDESTRIAN GATE ON INVERELL AVE**

For student safety during the school day we will be closing the pedestrian gate on Inverell Ave after 9.30am. The gate will not be locked, just closed. You are still welcome to come into the school whenever you need to. Please close the gate behind you.

## SAFETY AT THE SCHOOL GATE

To keep all of our children safe we remind parents to please use the car park beside the Wiri Community Hall (on Inverell Ave) to drop off and pick up children. From the hall car park students need only walk a short distance to the back gate (behind Room 17) to enter the school. This gate opens at 8.15am each day and remains open until 9.30am. This gate is located well away from road and traffic hazards making it a safe place to access the school. Thank you for helping us keep our students safe.

## SWIMMING

Swimming has started and students are enjoying learning to swim and keep safe in the water. Each roopu has been allocated a specific day for swimming. Bring your swimming gear on the day your roopu has swimming. Togs or shorts and T-shirt are suitable for swimming, please bring them in a plastic (or waterproof) bag.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Toroa	Mōkai Āwhina	Pūkeko	Fofoa i Vaoese	Tūr

Each roopu requires at least one volunteer "spotter." This is a second, adult pair of eyes to make sure students are safe in the pool while the teacher is taking the lesson. If you can spare a few hours just one day a week, please talk to your child's teacher.

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Yesterday 48 students received an award at our school assembly for attending school every day last term. This is an outstanding achievement. Being at school every day helps students to make progress in learning.

The following students also achieved 100% attendance for Term 1:

Rm 1. Geana Iosefa Faalavaau, Hamiora Faiva-Chase, Louise Taufaga, Cuba Ageli

Rm 2. Zakir Ali, Khalise Faiva-Chase, Faanimo Iosefa Faalavaau

Rm 5. Tanielu Atinae.

Rm 7. Lata Tiimalu, Esther Tupou, Gafatasi Taufaga

Rm 8. Agnes Matapula

Rm 9. Neko Abano, Bua Davukenimate

Rm 10 Melahdie Williams-Hurunui, Raiden Depree-Fatialofa

Rm 11 Chardonay Tupe, Ezra Flanagan, Bryson Ring, Queva Williams

Rm 12 Hezekiah Flanagan, Whaimanawa Morunga, Adaiyah Depree-Fatialofa, Naveyah-Brie Hape-Kora, Devin Wiremu, Eljay Harris Tara, Corvette Williams, Arahi Wiremu

Rm 15 Tyrone Matafeo, Faaga Lee, Tyson Faleao, Gloria Tuitamai, Elizabeth Fiu

Rm 16 Iosefa Lefale, Joseph Leatinu'u, MJ Solomua, Milo Atinae, Faaeteete Atinae, Peniamina Anthony Lefale

Rm 17 Jeremy Faiva-Chase, Josefa Davukenimate, Pati Mailata, Line Taufaga, Joshua Tupou, Uinise Lolesio, Ella Vuna

Rm 18 Kevin Uriaro

Rm 19 Kingston De-Har

As well as receiving a certificate at assembly these students were invited to a morning tea shout today. All of the students who achieved 100% attendance for term one also went into a draw for a prize. The three lucky students drawn were Gafatasi Taufaga, Iosefa Lefale and Eljay Harris-Tara. We will continue to acknowledge and celebrate our perfect attenders each term. Will it be YOU!

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Some information from Auckland Transport is being sent home today with the newsletter. For further information see the school website.