



Kiwi Flyer

Friday 8th September 2023

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new academic year at Kiwi Primary School. It has been lovely to see all the children coming back into school ready to learn. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I am Mrs Laura Eatherington, the new Acting Headteacher at Kiwi Primary. I have a long background in Education and Leadership, most recently as Head of School at Clarendon Infant School in Tidworth. Having previously been married to a member of the Armed Forces for 21 years and having raised twin daughters in a military environment, I have first hand experience of the dynamic of a military lifestyle and am passionate about ensuring the best outcomes for all children in my care. Over the past week, I have had the pleasure of working with the team of dedicated and committed staff at Kiwi. In the first instance, we are working on developing a new vision for all members of the Kiwi Primary School community based upon the acronym SOAR (see below). The children will be learn-

ing about what this means for them as we move forwards together.

We are also implementing a new behaviour policy, which is firmly based upon a trauma informed approach and puts the needs of the children and our families at the very heart of everything we do. It is a very positive approach to managing behaviour and we are already seeing a positive impact. Ask your children about the yellow tokens! We have a deep understanding of the stresses and strains of family life and will endeavour to support the whole family so that our children at Kiwi can thrive. To help achieve this aim, we have a new Emotional Wellbeing Team, led by Mrs Sally-Anne Hobbs.

I have an open door policy. If you have any questions or concerns, please do email, phone or make an appointment to see me.

I look forward to meeting you all!

Mrs L Eatherington



**School Attendance
Attendance Award Winner**
Week Commencing
Okataina & Ohakune – 100%
Well Done!

At KIWI we are soaring...

**Striving for success
Owning our actions
Ambitious
Respectful, reflective, resilient**



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Safeguarding

We have been pleased to welcome all of the children back to school this week. We have allowed parents, this week only, into the building to settle new nursery and Year R children. The children have settled brilliantly. From Monday 11th of September we ask parents to **not enter the buildings** at the start and end of the day. This is to safeguard our children and families. All adults in school must have the necessary checks and visitors must be signed in for fire safety purposes. Therefore we cannot have unknown adults inside the buildings.

We would also like to thank you for your patience with the end of day arrangements this week. We know it took a little longer than normal to let children go at the end of the day. Each new teacher needed to ensure each child got to the correct adult or allow them to walk home if permissions were signed. We thank you for helping us keep the children safe.

Permissions

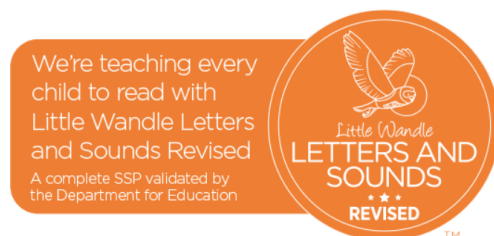
The admin team will be updating a variety of permissions over the coming week. If your child is in KS2 and you would like them to walk home, please can you log on to School Gateway and give permission for this.

A new mobile phone policy has been sent to parents. If your child brings their Mobile phone to school please can you read the policy and log on to School Gateway to acknowledge that you have read and understood the policy.

Password System

At school we operate a password system if you are unable to collect your child and you send somebody else to collect. This is to Safeguard the children. A email will be sent through School Gateway to you informing us of how to update a password. Please update the password if you are new to the school or have never previously provided a password.

and plays



Phonics Meeting

We will be holding a meeting for parents to discuss Phonics and early reading on 25th of September. We would like to invite parents of the children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 to come and find out about our phonics scheme Little Wandle and how your children are learning to read at Kiwi

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Meet the Teacher

We will be holding our annual Meet the Teacher evenings on **Friday 15th September** this is an opportunity to meet your Childs new class teacher and view the classroom. This will be a 10– 15 minute presentation by the teacher and we will hold two slots so if you have more than one child you can see more than one teacher. The first Slot will be at 3.25pm and the second slot will be at 3.45pm Please ensure that you do not enter classrooms before 3.25pm to give teachers time to dismiss the children. Nursery, will not be holding Meet the teacher presentation but if you need to speak to Miss Downes you can send her a message through admin.

Meet the Headteacher

On **Friday the 15th September** we would like to invite parents to school hall at 2.30pm for you to meet your senior leadership team and share some refreshments with us. This will give you an opportunity to meet Mrs L Eatherington the new interim headteacher as she shares her vision for Kiwi Primary School. Mrs Wright the Deputy Headteacher will also be available if you have an issues concerns or compliments you wish to share.

New SENCO

Here are a few words from Mrs Edgington Cole. She has just joined us and is getting to know the school and the children.

Hi I am Jen Edgington-Cole, I have just moved to the area with my Husband and 2 little boys. I started my career back in 2016 when I had finished my university degree in primary education specialising in SEN and inclusion. I went on to long term supply teaching where I worked in a variety of primary schools around Stoke on Trent. I then moved on to full time teaching in a class with a lot of additional needs. As a family we then moved to Northern Ireland where I worked one to one with several children with additional needs. Becoming a SENCO has always been a passion of mine and I strive to work hard for the children of this school and support both them and their parents.

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New Pastoral Team

Amongst other new and exciting changes at Kiwi we have an amazing new pastoral team. The team will be lead by Mrs Hobbs (who is also running wrap around care club). Mrs Hobbs has a wealth of experience as an emotional support assistant she can also offer support to parents if you need it. She has already managed to meet with a few children and families this week.

Mrs Weaver is also part of the team and has starting working with children this week already. The children love seeing her in the mornings on the Key Stage 2 gate.

We would also like to welcome Mrs K Jones as part of the team. She has been working in classes this week getting to know some children. Mrs K Jones has some amazing skills including Lego Therapy to offer our children.

If you have any concerns regarding your children emotional health and well being please speak to us we have a whole range of interventions to offer or even if you just need somebody to listen to your concerns



Physical Education

We ask that all children bring their PE kits on a Monday and leave it in school until Friday.



Southampton Sports

Southampton sports for this term will be as follows

Monday—Okataina, Waitangi

Thursday— Aratoro, Rangitoto

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Diary Dates

September

Friday 15th of September

Meet the Senior Team 2.30pm

Meet the teacher 3.25 pm slot 1,
3.45pm Slot 2

Monday 25th September

Parents Phonics information presenta-

October

Monday 9th of October

Individual Photographs

Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th of October

Parents Evenings

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