



Kiwi Flyer

HEADTEACHER:
MISS S RAEBURN

18TH NOVEMBER

Dates for your diary:

21st November—Mufti Day for school Fayre
Week Beginning 21st November—Friendship and Kindness Week
22nd November—Tree Planting Day
22nd November—Schoolastic Book Fair
23rd November—Year 3 Class Assembly
30th November—Christmas Fayre
7th December—Christmas Dinner Day
6th and 8th December—Year 2+3 Christmas Show
7th and 9th December—Year EYFS + Year 1 Christmas Show
8th December—Christingle
13th December—Wind in the Willows
15th December—Christmas Party Day

Kiwi News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has flown by, with the children working hard on their learning. It was a delight to see so many parents/friends/family attend the Year 4 assembly on Wednesday – thank you for your support with this. Today is our Children in Need day where we are *showing our spots* and enjoying lots of great activities organised by the school council. A quick reminder that Monday is a final mufti day for our school Christmas fayre which is happening soon. Thank you for all the lovely items donated so far and please send in any final donations on Monday. Have a lovely weekend!



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Tree Planting Day

We are pleased that Mrs Lester has secured us 420 trees, from The Woodland Trust, to plant in our school grounds. On **Tuesday 22nd of November** each child is going to plant a tree with our Forest School Lead. We will go out one class at a time and plant a sapling each. On this day children will need suitable clothing e.g. waterproof jackets and wellies if wet.

There will be no normal forest schools session on this day. We are really looking forward to the children planting trees that they can come back and see fully grown in years to come. If the weather is torrential rain we may postpone the event.

Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. We require somebody with financial experience or qualifications. If this role interests you please contact the school admin team to express your interest.

School Drop off/ Pick Up

A few parents have recently contacted me requesting that I appeal to parents/carers not to vape/smoke whilst waiting at the school gates. Our school community includes people who suffer from asthma and are therefore struggling with passively inhaling the smoke/fumes. Whilst I can't instruct you not to smoke/vape whilst standing at the gates, I am hoping that you will be happy to support this request for everyone's benefit.

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Remembrance

Across the school we have been learning about armistice day and remembrance. Below are some amazing poppy art works and poems. There has been a whole host of learning across school including art, poetry and history lessons around the poppy and its significance.



Year 5 Cooking

Year 5 cooked sweet potato and pepper frittatas because they were learning about Christopher Columbus who brought them from the 'New World'



Friendship and Kindness Week

We are looking forward to taking part in our Anti-Bullying, friendship and kindness week next week. All classes will be taking part in lessons discussing how to be kind to each other and what a good friend looks like.

The Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be arriving at school on Tuesday 22nd. Your child will have the opportunity to look at the books with their class and select one that they like. Your child's teacher will then send home a slip with details of the book and the price. If you wish to purchase the book, please send the correct money in an envelope to the school with the slip attached to the front. Occasionally, the book that has been chosen might not be available so please indicate on the slip if you are happy for your child to choose a replacement.

Please send your money to school by Monday 28th November.

Mental Health Awareness

As a Thrive school we really work hard to ensure our children are aware of their Mental Health. Mrs Leach is our Mental Health Senior lead. We have our own team of Wellbeing Ambassadors across school. These are children who have taken on the role to promote and support the mental health and well-being of all our children in school. Meeting monthly, the children gather feedback from across the school, develop ideas to promote and educate pupils on well-being and mental health and then feedback to classes. They are on hand at playtime and lunchtime to support daily and can be identified by their Wellbeing Ambassador badges. Within Kiwi School, all our staff follow a Thrive approach in class and across the wider school. We offer Thrive sessions and ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistants) with our trained Thrive and ELSA team. Please look at our pages on our school website for information on these. There is also lots of advice on resources on the school website to support your children at home.

Attendance



School Attendance Award Winners:

Week commencing: : 18th Nov 2022

Aratoro — 98.9%

Well done Aratoro!



Christmas



We are very excited to be able to host a number of Christmas Events this Year. We are very much looking forward to having parents and families with us in school for the first time in a number of years to celebrate Christmas together. More details on each event will follow shortly.

Monday 21st November

Mufti Day- Collections for Christmas fayre We are asking the children to bring in items for our hampers, in return for wearing their own choice of clothes on these days.

This is a great chance for you to donate to us some unwanted gifts and items (we just ask that they are new please) and here is a list of the kind of things we would love you to donate:

- Sweets
- Chocolate
- Christmas sweets/food items (must in date for December)
- Toiletries (such as shower gel or bubble bath)
- Unwanted gifts
- Toys and games
- Alcohol (to be brought in by an adult please)
- soft drinks

Wednesday 30th November

2.15pm

Christmas Fayre

An afternoon of Christmas fun where you can come and buy some wonderful Christmas items made by the children and buy some raffle tickets.

Wednesday 7th December

Christmas Dinner Day -

All Children will be invited to have a Christmas dinner and we will write to you shortly about how these can be booked.

Tuesday 6th December (9.30am)

and

Thursday 8th December (2.15pm)

Year 2 and Year 3 Christmas Around the World Show

Wednesday 7th December (2.30pm)

and

Friday 9th December (9.30am)

EYFS and Year 1 Christmas Show

Thursday 8th December

Christingle Year 4,5 and 6

Children will attend St Georges church for a Christingle service.

Monday 13th December

Wind in the Willows

Pupils will be able to watch a production of Wind in the Willows this will be free of charge to parents.

Thursday 15th December

Christmas Party day-

Wear party clothes to school today (please make sure they are suitable for a whole day at school). We will provide every child in the school with a free party lunch, individually boxed that day. Please let us know if your child is vegetarian