

St. Joseph's School

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Tena Koutou Whanau,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our whanau for an awesome week last week on Camp.

Thank you to our Whanau that attended, Whaea Jo, Whaea Philly, Whaea Bri-anne, Whaea Te Atawhai, Whaea Geraldine, Whaea Suzanne and Whaea Fiona.

It was a delight to take our tamariki on camp and to hear their excitement on the bus travelling up the mountain. I wish I had recorded it! The tamariki also visited the Volcanic Centre in Turangi and ended a busy day at the hot pools. There were many firsts and memories for all whanau that attended. It was a great way to end our unit on Volcanoes.

Special Character:

Thank you, God, for making each person special. Thank you for the things that are different but special about other people. Help us to learn how to celebrate and understand people who are different to us.



Life Education:

On Monday we had a visit from Life Education, looking at our Healthy Bodies and Feelings. Great to see everyone participate with enthusiasm and having a few laughs with Harold.

Duffy Role Model Assembly:

"To inspire a love of books in Duffy Children so they become adults who inspire a love of reading."

Duffy books in Homes is a program based on supporting Literacy throughout the school. Last week Wednesday we had Black Fern Michaela Blyde visit our school and present the tamariki with their books that they had chosen at the beginning of the term.



Upcoming Events:

September 19

Cluster School Cross Country
Kakarama School – 12noon

September 19

BOT Meeting – 3pm

September 26

ERO Visit

September 28

Last Day Term 3

October 15

Start of Term 4

October 22

SCHOOL CLOSED
LABOUR DAY

October 24

BOT Meeting – 3pm

November 21

BOT Meeting – 3pm

December 13

Last Day Term 4

Attachments:

- Family Survey for Decile Review

Inter Cluster Cross Country:

On Wednesday 19th September we have got Cluster Schools Cross Country at Kakaramaea Primary School. We will be leaving our school at 11.30am as the children will be walking the course at 12noon and the first race will start at 12.30pm. If you can provide transport, please call in or ring the school office. Part of the course has boxthorn; some children may want to wear shoes. Please ensure that children are sent to school with a packed lunch and drink bottle.

ERO:

On Wednesday the 26th September we have manuhiri in our school. Matua Rod Webster and Whaea Jan Coleman will be here to do our review. We look forward to working with them and moving forward identifying next steps and celebrating the great things that are happening in our school.

DECILE REVIEW:

We are in the process of completing an application to the Ministry of Education for a review of our decile rating, can you please fill in the attached Family Survey and return to school by this Wednesday – to ensure that we are successful with our application we need ALL whanau support – please note the answers are confidential and the Ministry will not be able to identify you or your family. All surveys returned by Wednesday will go into the draw to win a \$50 petrol voucher 😊

Acoustic Poems:

