



KAITAIA INTERMEDIATE

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Confident, connected, actively involved, lifelong learners who demonstrate Respect, Responsibility and form positive Relationships

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Whakatauki o te marama

Me mahitahi tātou mō te oranga o te katoa

We work together for the wellbeing of everyone.

Tēnā koutou katoa

Ngā mihi o te tau hou ki a koutou katoa. Nau mai hāere mai ki ngā whānau hou i uru mai i te Kura Takawaenga o Kaitaia.

Ko tēnei te wiki tuatahi mō te tau 2021. He tino ataahua te wairua o ngā tamariki ki te ako, ki te kōrero, ki te mahitahi, ki te noho pukumahi i roto i ngā akomanga i raro i te maru o te kaupapa whānaungatanga. Ko te kaupapa māhere mō te wahanga tuatahi me te tuarua ko 'Whānaungatanga'

Happy New Year to everyone. A special welcome to all our new students, parents and teachers who have joined our whānau here at Kaitaia

Intermediate. We look forward to working closely with you throughout the year and to support all our students.

We hope this year will be a Covid 19-free year.

Week one is coming to an end and students have settled in well. Great to see students making positive relationships with new students. As part of our localised curriculum, we will be focusing on 'Whānaungatanga - Relationships' this term.

New Staff for 2021

I would like to welcome our two new teaching staff - Etana John Nathan (Matua EJ Rm 9) and Debbie Lockett (Whaea Debbie - Rm 4) to our team this year. Also Vasanti Sima (Ms Sima) who has returned back from leave. We are excited to have them join our team and look forward to an exciting year.

School Values

At Kaitaia Intermediate School we have four school values. They are...

Safety, Responsibility, Respect and Excellence.

These values help us all to work and learn together in a positive and successful way. During the next

few weeks teachers will work with students to develop an understanding of the values and the importance of them in our kura. We acknowledge and celebrate students demonstrating these values through the giving of 'Gotcha' vouchers. These vouchers go into a fortnightly draw and students whose names are drawn out receive a reward.

Swimming



Swimming is part of the school curriculum and we expect all the students to participate. Our pool is also open to all children at lunchtime for swimming. Please ensure your child has a swim cap and all items are labelled. Caps are available for sale in our office for \$5.00.

Water safety lessons

Starting next Thursday 11 and Friday 12 February, we have organised water safety lessons for all students. This will continue the following Thursday and Friday.

Kaitaia water restriction level 3

Water restriction has been put in place which could affect school activities and events such as swimming sports.

Year 7 Vision testing

Next Wednesday 16th and 17th February all year 7 students will be having a vision test.

Chromebooks

For those that have taken up the time payment options with the 20/20 Trust your regular weekly contributions should be set up and making these payments now. If you haven't already, can you ensure these commence as soon as possible.

New Timetable

We have made changes to our timetable this year to ensure we maximise learning for our students.. Our new break times now will be:

Brain Break - 10:00am-10:15am -

Interval - 11:25am-11:45am

Lunch - 12:55pm-1:40pm

Visitors to KIS

Friendly reminder: **ALL** parents and visitors must report to the office first. We will encourage you to scan our QR Code as well as signing in with our Vistab device. This is a Health and safety procedure. Thank you for your support.

Lunches in School

Woohoo!!! All our students will now be receiving lunch every day at school which is fully funded by our government. Every day will be a different menu. Students are enjoying their lunch and we have been receiving positive feedback from teachers, students and whānau.

Uniform

The students must wear either a 'bucket' or 'aussie' hat. The hats are available from the school office or DD Gold. It is great to see the majority of students in the correct school uniform. If your child still doesn't have a school hat or black shoes, please make sure that they have them as soon as possible. They are not allowed out in the sun if they don't have a hat and they need to have proper shoes before they can attend technology. Shoes /sandals must be black only. Not black with white or any other colour.

Can all parents please ensure all clothing and footwear is clearly labelled. Students are responsible for their belongings whilst at school. We advise not to leave anything laying around and that these are put into a student's bag to avoid the loss of any belongings.



Raranga (Weaving) - Ruth Port

We would like to welcome Whaea Ruth who has joined our teaching team this year for three days a week, delivering Raranga (weaving). She will be teaching weaving Monday to Thursday. Below is a picture of one of her beautiful items she has woven.



Year 7 - Korowai o te mātauranga (DUX)

School Buses

On occasions, we get phone calls from parents who want to change their 'normal' procedure for catching the bus. It would be extremely helpful if we are informed as soon as possible in the day as it gets very busy at the end of the day. We have compiled a list of bus students according to the bus they normally catch and unless we hear otherwise, we will be checking to see that all students are on the correct bus. If we haven't received notification from parents of any changes by 2 p.m. then we will be sending the child home as per their normal arrangements.

Whānau Day - Open Day @ KIS

We are holding a whānau Hui on Saturday 27 February. The day will start at 10 a.m. and conclude at 1 p.m. This is to enable parents/caregivers /whānau to visit the school, and meet their child's teacher in the classroom. The beginning of the year reports will also be handed out at this time. There will be a complimentary barbecue organised.

The technology teachers will also be available to meet with in their classrooms. This will be an ideal opportunity for you to have a look through the technology block. This day will count as a school day and your child will need to attend with an adult to be marked present.

Roundabout update

Over the next couple of months, NZTA will be working on a roundabout on the corner of Mathews Ave and State Highway 1. Most of the work will be done at night to reduce congestion. Just a friendly reminder to all our parents and whānau to be extra vigilant and safe in our parking bay.

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Important Dates to Remember - Term 1 2021

Monday 8th Feb	Waitangi Day
Tues 16th Feb	BOT meeting
Wed 16 - 17 Feb	Year 7 Vision testing
Thurs 11 - 12 Feb	Water safety lessons
Thurs 18 - 19 Feb	Water Safety lessons
Sat 27 Feb	Whānau Day - Attitude Report

If you wish us to email the Kaitaia Intermediate School newsletter to you and you have not already informed us, please complete & send to school.

My child's name is:

My email address is:

DRINKS

HYDRATION

Over 50% of our body is made up of water, so it is important to stay hydrated.

The best way to do this is to sip water **ALL DAY, EVERY DAY.**

Developed by Sport Waikato 2019

The poster features a blue vertical bar on the left with the word 'DRINKS' in white. The main title 'HYDRATION' is in large, bold, blue letters with a white outline. Below the title, there is a white box containing text about hydration. To the right of the text is a blue silhouette of a person with a water level indicator in their head. A pink arrow points from the text towards the person's head. There is also a circular logo for 'Team Energy' featuring a cartoon character and a drink.