



KAITAIA INTERMEDIATE

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Confident, connected, actively involved, lifelong learners who demonstrate respect, responsibility and form positive relationships.

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Tena koutou katoa,

Kia ora whānau

Welcome to this week's

Whanau Hui (Open Day) at KIS

We are holding a Whanau Hui on a Saturday 24 February. This is to enable parents/caregivers/whanau 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 complimentary barbecued sausages. The technology teachers will also be available to meet with whanau in their classrooms. This will be an ideal opportunity for you to have a look through the technology block. The day will start at 10 a.m. and conclude at 1 p.m. This day will count as a school day and your child will need to attend with an adult to be marked present.

School Photos

The school photos are scheduled to take place on Thursday 1st March. You will receive more information closer to the date.

KIS Honours

The honours system at KIS has been set up to reward our pupils for participating and achieving in a range of activities. We will be encouraging all students to

work towards achieving honours in at least one of the four areas.

Dux 2017

If your child wishes to be considered for Dux it is important that they enter the University of New South Wales exams which will be held over the year. All children are encouraged to take part in these external exams as it allows them to measure their achievement against their peers nationwide. The forms asking for expression of interest have been given to the children. If you did not get one please contact our office.

Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon

We have had an overwhelming request with almost 100 kids requesting entry forms. With this amount of interest, should enough forms be returned, KIS will put on a bus for those interested in participating so secure your spot asap and return your forms to Whaea Sheree with payment by the 2nd March.

If you are a parent with a trailer and happy to assist in getting students bikes to the event please also get in touch with Whaea Sheree; we would be greatly appreciative.

The Yummy Fruit Company School Sticker Promo

Collect the Yummy cut-out labels from bags (each cut-out label is worth 10 stickers) and individual Yummy apple stickers for your school's share of the \$200,000 free DG Sport sports gear prize pool. Yummy apples are available from New World, Pak'n Save and participating Four Square stores. The more you collect, the more sports gear you get so get going

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and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now!

Collection sheets available online www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schoolstickerpromo or from the school office.

Tooth Brushing

Over the last three years our school has been involved in a supervised tooth brushing programme which has had great results. After one year of tooth brushing, the study has shown that an average of 12 tooth surfaces per student have improved (i.e. surfaces that have been starting to decay have reversed and become healthy!) Students in other Intermediate schools who have not had the opportunity to take part in a programme like this, have on average nine surfaces that get worse, i.e. going from healthy to decaying. The questionnaire completed by families has shown that students who took part in the tooth brushing study had better oral health-related quality of life. We are really excited about these results and we are going to keep on brushing.

Tooth brushing will start next week. All students will be given a tooth brush and fluoride toothpaste, as well as a case to use for free (thanks Colgate!).

If you DO NOT wish for your child to brush their teeth as part of this programme, please contact the school.

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