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Kia ora koutou Parents, Whānau and Caregivers

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori 12 – 18 Mahuru 2022

Ko tēnei te wiki o te reo Māori. Kia kaha koutou ki te kōrero. This is Māori Language Week, and we encourage you to try and speak te reo Māori.

Some easy and well know phrases you might like to use throughout the day to get started: Mōrena – Good morning, Kia Ora – Hello or Thank You, Ka kite – Goodbye.

Anei te whakataukī mō te rā. Here is the whakataukī we shared with our students today. "Mauria te pono" – Believe in yourself.

Changes to the COVID-19 Traffic Light strategy

You will be aware that yesterday the Government announced the removal of the Covid 19 'Traffic Light' settings. This means New Zealand will move to a new, long-term approach to dealing with COVID-19. These changes have been made based on public health advice and reflect high levels of immunity and declining case numbers across New Zealand.

This new approach will only result in minor changes to the way we operate here at school.

The very positive news is that household contacts of a person with COVID-19 do not need to isolate, but instead are asked to complete a RAT test each day, for five days. Therefore, students who are household contacts but test negative and do not have COVID-19 symptoms, should continue to attend. It is the best place for them to be so they can be engaged in their learning, and connected with their teachers, classmates and friends.

Information on how to get RAT kits can be found here: [Request a RAT– Ministry of Health](#)

Mask wearing is no longer required. This includes on all school buses. Of course for those who wish to continue wearing a mask, they are welcome to.

All the other recommended public health measures will stay in place as we know they reduce the spread of infectious illnesses including COVID-19. These include ensuring our indoor spaces are well-ventilated, maintaining good hand hygiene, encouraging everyone to cough or sneeze into elbows and, most importantly, staying home and getting tested if they have COVID-19 symptoms.

Thank you for your ongoing support in protecting our community.

Voting for the Kerikeri High School Board of Trustees is underway.

Have you received your Voting Papers and Candidate Statements for Kerikeri High School Board of Trustee Parent Representatives?

These were either posted or emailed to you from a company called CES on Friday 26th August. The email was sent from iro@electionz.com.

Have your say and cast your vote before **4pm** on Election Day of **23rd September 2022**.

This can be done by either:

- Voting online from the email sent to you
- Printing your Voting Paper and posting to Kerikeri High School, PO Box 92, Kerikeri 0245
- Printing your Voting Paper and delivering to Reception

View the Candidate Statements attached or at <https://kerikerihigh.boardelections.nz/>

New School Uniform Supplier

Please be aware we have recently changed our school uniform provider and look forward to working with SAS Sports. Please use this link of [The Uniform Shoppe](#) for any online purchases of school uniform. We are excited to announce future plans include the opening of a local retail store later in the year to allow you try on uniform and instore purchases. We are aware The Uniform Shoppe are currently not supplying trousers however this is a short-term situation as we transition from our previous school uniform supplier to SAS Sports. We also have a new look Physical Education uniform coming soon for 2023 and beyond.

Ngā mihi nui



EA Fergie (Mrs)
Principal



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Associate Principal

