

ALLANDALE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"Rere atu kia whakairohia to ake ao"

This korero, which is illustrated in the carvings of our waharoa, reflects our intention as a school, nurturing learners so that upon leaving Allandale, they are ready to fly off and carve their own futures.



UPCOMING DATES

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING DATES

Hui-ā-Kura Fri 9 February

Middle School Iceblock Sale Fri 9 February

Whakatāne Wheels Day Fri 9 February

Te Wao Nui a Tane (Rooms 1,2,3) Trip
Tues 13 February

Whanaungatanga Hui
Wed 14 February
(School will close at 12:30pm)
Thurs 15 February

EBOP TriathlonThurs 15 February

WEEK 2, TERM 1 2024

Kia ora e te whānau,

It is great to see our tamariki outdoors and making the most of both the sunny weather, and our amazing school facilities. At any given lunch time you'll find our kids playing Touch, riding their scooters and bikes, enjoying our range of playgrounds, shooting basketballs, digging in the sand, investigating in the garden, reading books in the library and of course, zooming down our ever popular dual flying foxes. Furthermore, our school pool is now up and running for term one so there really is something for every child to enjoy here at Allandale. Opportunities to get outside, to both learn and play, provide a great change of stimulus for our tamariki and add balance to their school day; it helps to make school a fun, positive place to be.

On a less positive note, last weekend we experienced significant vandalism to our school hall, Te Kaitiaki o Motueka, and other areas of our school. As our school whānau and community, please work with us to keep our school safe and free of vandalism. In recent years Allandale has benefited from a range of fantastic school property developments and we want our school whānau to be able to utilise our facilities after hours and during the weekends. Please help us to keep this a great family and community space by keeping an eye out for people disrespecting our school environment. Every dollar we spend replacing broken windows is less money we have to buy resources and provide trips and other learning opportunities for our kids - it is our kids who this type of behaviour impacts the most. I thank you for your support.

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we would love to see as many of our school whānau as possible here next Wednesday and Thursday afternoon's for our Whanaungatanga Hui. A great opportunity to meet your child's teacher, see their learning space and have informal conversations about how your child has settled into the new school year and what goals you might have for them in 2024. Use the QR code in this newsletter to book a time with your child's teacher, or if you would prefer, speak to our awesome office staff and they will book you in.

I look forward to seeing you next week.

E mihi ana ki a koutou

Matua Josh

WHANAUNGATANGA HUI

On Wednesday the 14th of February school will **close early at 12.30pm** with conversations running until 5:45pm. On Thursday the 15th of February, school will finish at the normal time and conversations will run until 6pm

Come along to:

- · Connect with your child's Teacher
- Ask questions
- Share any goals
- Tell us about your child.





Scan the QR code to book a Whanaungatanga Hui or head to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code and enter the code a9jq4

NEW STAFF

Whaea Chazelle Aylward Kōtare 10 / Te Ara Manu

l am Mrs. Aylward, your child's teacher in Kōtare 10 for 2024. I am very excited about this year and look forward to seeing what 2024 holds.

About me:

I was born and raised in South Africa, where I studied for Primary School Teaching and taught in a Primary school for 4 years.

Me, my husband and our son (7 weeks old at the time) moved to New Zealand in 2019 to start a new adventure and we've been loving it here ever since.





8.45amSchool Starts 8.45am - 10.30am

Learning Time

10.30am - 10.40am Brain Food 10.40am - 11am Interval

11am - 12.30pm Learning Time

12.30pm - 12.45pm Lunch Time

12.45pm - 1.15pm

1.20pm - 2.40pm

Afternoon Break Learning Time 2.40pm School Ends



SYNDICATE NAMES

This year we will have syndicate names that will identify which area of the school a student is situated in. These are listed below with their meanings:

"Te Aitanga Pepeke"

Kapokapowai 16, Kihikihi 17, Purerehua 18, Mumutawa 19, Mawhitiwhiti 20

"The insect world"

This encapsulates the essence of young learners - ever-growing, curious, and diverse, much like the world of insects they represent.

"Te Ara Manu"

Kārearea 6, Kōtare 10, Kererū 9, Kōkako 5, Korimako 7

This translates to "The Bird's Path," symbolizing the journey of learning and discovery that students undertake during their middle school years.

"Te Wao Nui" (a Tāne)

Põhutukawa 1, Totara 2, Rimu 3, Kahikatea 4,

Referring to "The Great Forest of Tane," who is the god of forests and birds in Māori mythology. This name would encompass the idea of a diverse and thriving community, much like a forest.

"Te Puna Reo"

Te Pihinga 13, Te Pipihi 14, Te Okaoka 11, Te Tiwai 12

Te Puna Reo, the names chosen for each room within Te Puna Reo reflect the stages of the Tuna, or eel, in its birthing cycle, aligning with the developmental stages of the students.

This connects to the wider school through the connection to our taiao

and the connection to our whenua - Motueka.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ICEBLOCK SALE



Our first Ice Block sale of the year will be this Friday and will continue every Friday until the end of the term. Ice Blocks are \$1 and can be ordered and delivered to your child's classroom





LITERACY BOOKS

Literacy books are for students in Te Ara Manu (Rooms 5,6,9 and 10) and also Te Puna Reo (Rooms 11,12,13 and 14). They can be purchased from the front office for \$5

SWIMMING

Our school pool is now open and it is recommended to bring your togs and towel every day. The pool is heated through solar power, allowing for potential swimming until the end of the term. To see what day your child/ren will be swimming, please check with their teacher.



Hats are part of our school uniform for Terms 1 and 4. No hat = play in the shade

