

Malfroy School

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Principal's Newsletter Term 3 Week 5

20 August 2020

Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo, Talofa Lava, Bula Vanaka, Malo e Lelei, Fakaalofa Lahi atu, Namaste, Talofa Ni and Warm Pasifika Greetings!

Cornerstone Values in action at Malfroy School

“Kindness and Consideration” - Wendy Falconer (AP/Room 5 Class Teacher) is proud of her students. She received a handwritten card from one of her students thanking her for being his teacher.

Jennie McLaren (DP/SENCo) observed with pride one of our senior girls assisting a junior girl to Room 7 on a wet morning while waiting for the school to open.

“Honesty and Truthfulness” - Mrs Overdevest (Room 8 Class Teacher) congratulated one of her students for finding and handing in a greenstone taonga in the playground.

“Responsibility and Duty” - Helen Ramsdale (Room 13 Class Teacher) was very proud of two students from Room 13 and Room 14 who took it upon themselves to clean up the lunch area. They also returned the lunch trays and recycling buckets to the Healthy School Lunches mobile kitchen. Great initiative from these students!

A Reminder about COVID-19

While most of us are familiar with requirements at Alert Level 2, we will continue to emphasise the importance of:

- Good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette
- Staying away if sick
- Keeping the appropriate physical distance from others
- Cleaning and disinfecting our high touch surfaces daily
- Displaying QR code posters at our entrances and encouraging all of our community to download the NZ COVID Tracer App and use it if they come on-site
- Keeping a visitor register for anyone who cannot use the app and for other essential visitors

We know all these things will help to keep our community as safe as possible. Because of these measures being in place, your child does not need to wear a face covering while at school. Thank you for your continued support for all we are doing to keep our community safe.



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Preschool enrolments update

Is your preschool aged child intending to start school this year or next year? Have you considered completing a pre-enrolment form at the school office? Malfroy School offers three programmes that are unique to our school. Starting with our **mainstream classes** (Year 1-6), we also offer **Maori Medium classes** at Level One (80%-100% Te Reo), and **Montessori** classes (Junior Year 2-4, Senior Year 4-8).

Your child has the opportunity to visit **preschool transition classes** during the week. Our experienced teachers and teacher aides will spend an afternoon with your child over a number of weeks to prepare them for their first day at school as a new entrant. The Montessori Junior class starts students at Year 2. Please see Julie Calkin, our office manager, for further information.

A Round-up of Events at School



An earthquake drill was held last week during lunchtime. Children responded accordingly by dropping to the ground. Everyone then proceeded to the assembly area on the field for roll call and feedback.



Art teacher Jenny Brell helped Room 1 students paint fire engines in support of the 'Firewise' programme starting soon.



Maths facilitator Shirley Collins has been working with teachers and students this week.

Nicky Brell & Staff

'Stepping up - Upane'

Every Wednesday from 1.30-2.45 pm, we look forward to welcoming your child and helping them to prepare for their transition into Malfroy School. The aim of our transition to school programme, **'Stepping up - Upane'** is to ensure a smooth change over from Early childcare/home care to the school situation in a happy and very supportive way. Children from 4 to 5 years are welcome to attend.

The Learning Outcomes that we focus on at the 'Stepping up' are:

Developing Self Esteem Developing Social Skills
Formal Routines Early Literacy and Numeracy Skills
Fine Motor Skills Oral Language Skills

'Stepping Up - Upane'

Is held every Wednesday at 1.30 to 2.45pm afternoon in Room 1 with our New Entrant Teacher, Whaea Linda.

If your New Entrant child is able to have at least 4 visits prior to them starting school, then this really helps them to make an easy and stress free transition to school when they do start.

Call in to the office and pick up a 'Stepping Up- Upane' transition pack and enrollment form.

ROOM 5 ROCKS



Rocks painted by Kaalon and Elijah.
"My pet rock's name is Che-Che. My rock gets up to mischief." By Kaalon.

My pet rock is called Tim and he plays with me so much. We play games with each other. We like to swim and go fishing. We also go sailing. He is a boy and he sleeps in his own bed. We eat fish but I eat cooked fish and he eats dry fish. He likes to go surfing.

By Skye



My pet rock's name is Rose. She likes swimming and she is good. She is a turtle. She is a glow turtle. She sleeps in my pool. She has a shell, it is green.

By Nicola



My pet rock's name is Rockruff. The thing I like about my pet rock is that he has a big bite on his head. My pet rock is a boy. He sleeps anywhere. He eats anything and he drinks anything too. His favourite game is colour craze. He loves going on adventures. He does not like flying and swimming. He loves to play with his friend Castform. He is not mischief. Rockruff looks like and m&m. He has white eyes and his 'm' symbol is white too. By Essence



Welcome to our new students and their family

Impala - Room 1



Sport Photos Reminder

All sports photo orders need to be in by Friday 28th August. Envelopes available at the office, please collect one if you have lost yours. It is \$15.00 each for the photo, please put payment in the envelopes.



Sports Draws/Results

Hockey Draws

Team	Turf	Time	Vs
Mini	1QC	12.50	St Marys Whero
Maxi	2HI	9.50	St Michaels Marvels
Funsticks	2B3	11.00	

Hockey Results

Team	Results
Mini	No results this week due to hockey being cancelled
Maxi	

Netball Results

Team	Win/Loss	Player of the day
Marvels		
Moanas	No results this week due to Netball being cancelled	
Magics		
Movers		
Mystics	-	

Astronauts: Akemi's Magical Adventure

Today we are going to space and we are going to discover new species and other stuff. When we get in the spaceship and the spaceship is on, I would feel excited and nervous. When we are at our destination, I would hear a very loud landing noise and the shaking would stop. Now we would go outside and I would see big craters and rocks and also some moon dust. I would be floating easily with more space and I would see the pretty stars and some nebula and the galaxy. I would have a brilliant time out in space.

By Akemi, Room 8

That time of year again, to decide which Intermediate school to send your child to. Rotorua Intermediate Schools is having an open day today and Kaitao Intermediate have a Transition Programme available. For more information, please see below for contact details.

Rotorua Intermediate School

Open Evening

Thursday 20th August

5.30pm to 6.30pm

Parents and whanau of prospective year 7 students for 2020 are invited to our open evening. Come along and learn about the unique learning opportunities available at Rotorua Intermediate.

The programme will include information about student leadership opportunities, cultural and sporting events, innovative classroom programmes, hands-on, future-focused Pathways programmes, supportive school mentors, digital initiatives including Chromebooks and enrolment information. Some of our talented students will also be entertaining you.



Parking is available in our school grounds through Pretoria Street. Please assemble in the school gym by 5.30pm.

We look forward to meeting you.

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Kaitao Intermediate Transition Programme

Introducing Year 6 students to Kaitao Intermediate

Open Evening – At Kaitao Intermediate

Term 3, Week 7

Thursday, 3rd September, 6.00pm to 7.00pm – For parents/caregivers and students
Meet the Principal – Key messages about what Kaitao Intermediate will offer in 2021

Find out what Kaitao Intermediate offers your child in 2021.

The positive transformation changes that have led to motivated, kind teachers leading motivated, kind students.

Staff will be available to talk about:

- Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)
- Accelerate Classes
- Digital Learning
- iPod Class
- MindPlus
- Rumaki/Bilingual
- Sports

If you have any queries please feel free to contact our school office or go to our website: www.kaitao.school.nz

Phone: 348 3687 email: office@kaitao.school.nz

Orientation Week – When year 6 students come to Kaitao Intermediate

Contributing schools will visit Kaitao Intermediate

Term 3, Week 9/10

Tuesday, 15 September	11.00am	Sunset
Wednesday, 16 September	11.00am	Selwyn
Friday, 18 September	11.00am	Kawaha Point
Monday, 21 September	11.00am	Aorangl Westbrook
Wednesday, 23 September	11.00am	Hongotaha
Friday, 25 September	11.00am	Western Heights

Sports Day – For Year 6 students

Term 4, Week 3

Wednesday, 28 Oct – 11am to 1pm. For year 6 students intending an enrolling at Kaitao Intermediate