



# KAITAIA INTERMEDIATE

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

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## **Principal Kōrero**

### ***Tēnā koutou katoa***

***Me mahi tahi tātou mō te oranga o te katoa***

***We should work together for the well-being of everyone.***

*We have a mix of students here from many different schools. Everyone is adapting to our KIS expectations which may be slightly different from their old schools.*

We continue to have new students enrolling every day and new students taking the bus for the first time every day. Thank you last year's Year 8s for modelling Respect, Responsibility, Safety and Showing Excellence.

### **Beach Education**

We have an opportunity to take each class to Ahipara to participate in the Beach Education Programme. This has been sponsored by Surf Lifesaving New Zealand. The students will learn life saving skills around being safe at the beach. Two classes will attend per day.

**For Safety we require a ratio of one adult to every five students, so we will need 5 parent helpers per class to be able to go ahead with this opportunity.**

Due to covid protocols, all helpers on school trips must be double vaccinated.

Parents who attend will be expected to participate in both the water and beach activities.

If we do not get enough parents to help, we cannot go.

### **Chromebooks**

We are no longer involved with ManaiaKalani. That means that the chromebooks purchased for your child through this scheme will no longer be able to be on the KIS network. It is an insurance issue as well. All students will have access to a chromebook once an audit throughout the school is completed. We hope to be fully sorted and have devices for those students affected no later than the end of Week 3.

## **Students, Please Continue to ...**

- \*Bring masks to school every day**
- \*Wear masks on the bus**
- \*Wash hands when coming into class**
- \*Bring a water bottle**
- \*Bring your togs**
- \*Bring your PE gear**

## **Fencing**

Our school will finally have a fence around its perimeter this term. Construction starts this weekend. Please read the panui on the other side of this newsletter for more information.

## **Pool - FYI**

We continue to have members of our community breaking into our pool after hours on a daily basis. There are a range of groups who do this. It is breaking and entering and it is unsafe. The common result is that our caretaker has to spend time every day repairing our pool fence, fishing rubbish/furniture out of the pool and the surrounding area. Sometimes our pool needs to be closed as the damage is extreme. Police have been involved as well. It is very frustrating.

**Allannah Quinn**  
**Acting Principal**

## **Kaitaia Intermediate School's new fence**

**Kia ora tātou,**

**To improve safety at our school, we are pleased to announce that our blue boundary fence along North Road will be removed and replaced with a new steel panel fence. The new fence will:**

- Go around the entire school boundary to provide greater safety for our students/ākongā by removing access to waterways and other areas that we don't have visibility of**
- Contain vehicle and pedestrian access gates will be fitted into the new fence**
- Be black powder-coated to allow surrounding trees to stand out more.**

**Some of the trees along the fence line will need to be trimmed to remove the climbing risk for students. The work will be carried out by a qualified arborist and a traffic management plan will be in place.**

**Contractors will be onsite setting up temporary fencing from Saturday 12 February.**

**While the contractor will do their best to keep noise and vibration to a minimum, there will be some unavoidable disruption at times.**

**We appreciate that this process may be inconvenient at times, but we'll all be working together to reduce the impact as much as possible.**

**If you have any questions or concerns about the construction project, please do not hesitate to contact the school.**