

Kia ora whānau

This week we have had our NIK 1:2 work finished across the school with electrical RCD plugs put everywhere, LED lighting and acoustic panelling in the rooms that needed it. While it has been disruptive to the staff and students it is a great outcome for the school with the lighting and acoustic panels making a huge difference. The next work we know about is that the carpet in Harakeke will be replaced in the school holidays. This will mean that on the last day of term we have to remove EVERYTHING from these two classrooms and we will be asking for volunteers to come and help lift some of the heavier things.

On Monday night we had our Board of Trustees meeting and at this meeting we made the decision to upgrade the fire system across the whole school. This is a very exciting piece of work to be able to do as it means that the whole system will be automated. Mānuka, the administration block, Harakeke and Kotukutuku already had the system installed when Mānuka was upgraded but by doing the rest of the school it will mean we will have an automated bell system, a speaker system that we can make announcements through and an upgraded fire alarm system that will connect directly with the fire department. It is hoped to get this work done in the coming months.



On Friday we will be taking part in the national PINK SHIRT Day as a way to support the anti bullying message. A gold coin donation can be brought into the classroom. This is an great chance to talk to your children about bullying - what it is to be bullied and why some people bully others. Bullying is defined as intentional, repeated harmful behaviour to others. In the school environment we take this very seriously and any instances of bullying we are made aware of we will deal with following our behaviour plan.

This week the whole school focus is around Aroha and showing kindness to each other which puts a positive spin on the things as if we are showing kindness to each other we will all have a great day.



Assembly is this week where cross country certificates will be given out.

# Weekly REACH Value Focus

## WHAT IS AROHA?

Aroha is when we -

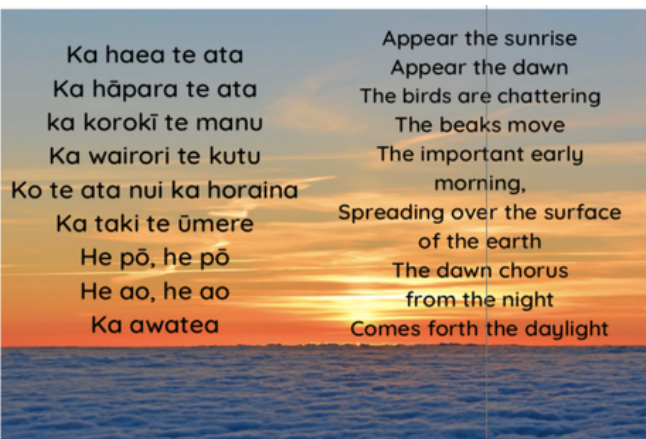
- treat people with respect, fairness, and kindness.
- do things in the right spirit and expect nothing in return.
- go out of our way to help someone.
- visit whānau or friends who are unwell or need cheering up.
- do little things that help others
- give our time to show people they are special, that they really matter.

## REACH FOCUS

# AROHA KINDNESS



## Our Karakia for the Term and our weekly kiwaha for you to practice.



**Kia tau!**

Relax, settle down  
-chill out!



Our cross country team (plus Bert, Leia, Annabel and Clyde) for the North Canterbury Cross Country. The children had to complete the course within a set time period to qualify so they should feel very proud of their efforts as we are extremely proud of them all.

## ***Calendar of Events***

**15th May Pink Shirt Day**

29th May SCHOOL CLOSED Teacher Only Day

1st June SCHOOL CLOSED King's Birthday Observed

5th June - Hotdog Fundraiser

17th June - Dress Rehearsal - Production

18<sup>th</sup> June Matinee and Evening Performance - Production

29th June Cycle Sense - Year 5

30<sup>th</sup> June Cycle Sense Year 6

3<sup>rd</sup> July - Matariki Breakfast

3rd July Last Day Term 2

3rd July - 19th July Term 2 School Holidays

14th August - PTA Bake Sale

28<sup>th</sup> August - School Photos

4th September Whole School Disco

7th - 11<sup>th</sup> September Scholastic Book Fair and READATHON

11<sup>th</sup> September - Dress up Book Character Day

25th September - 11th October - Term 3 School Holidays

26th October SCHOOL CLOSED - Labour Day

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