



ARAPOHUE SCHOOL

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Kia ora whanau,

Welcome back to Term 2. We trust you had a great holiday break with your children – they have definitely all returned full of life and with lots of stories of adventures they had over the break.

We started the term by welcoming Whaea Lyn into the fulltime role she has picked up in Māhuri while Whaea Philippa is on leave – the class has had a positive start back and are enjoying working with Lyn. Many of you would have met Lyn at our community BBQ earlier last term, if you haven't - feel free to pop in and say hi!

Yesterday we also welcomed new student, Natasha Batistich to our school. Natasha and her family have recently moved into the area and we are confident they will enjoy being a part of our school community. Natasha, who is in Year 3, let us know by morning tea on her first day that it was ...“Her BEST day ever!”



We finished Term 1 with the good news that once again we won a place in the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Mural competition and have received \$750 worth of Resene Paint to do a mural on one of our Water Tanks. Thanks to everyone for your votes and to Neil Piper who has waterblasted and sealed the tank over the holidays so we are ready to go!

You may have noticed Hubands completed the installation of our Solar Panels over the holidays. We are impressed with this company and how great they were to deal with. We are awaiting a final inspection so we can get it up and running!

We also received invitation from the Ministry of Education to become part of the Free Lunch In Schools Programme starting in Term 3. We are planning on using external providers, Libelle to provide our lunches and are in the process of getting this in place ready for next term. Please complete the form attached and return to school to ensure your child will be a part of this programme. (those receiving newsletter electronically will have a paper form sent home with their children today)

WELLINGTON CAMP

Huge thanks to all of our whānau who are supporting camp fundraising by buying PIES on FRIDAYS and to those who also bought a ticket in the Bonus Lotto Draw. First draw on Saturday night – GOOD LUCK!

An extra special thank you to Kent Phillips and Sharnee Skudder who donated 2 calves for our seniors to rear. We are also grateful to Milligans for once again donating milk powder and also to NRM and Farmlands who are both donating 3 bags each of Calfmeal. AND finally also to Rochelle Cleary and Paul Sorenson who have done all the background work getting the donations and sorting delivery of the calves.

M.A.C CLUBS

Our M.A.C clubs this term see our Year 7/8 students leading them – I am so impressed with the way these guys are stepping up to all leadership opportunities presented to them. They are running clubs for Science/Technology, Lego, Sewing, Computer Animation, PE games and Slime. I am confident everyone will enjoy these opportunities.

VALUES UPDATE

At the last assembly for the term we acknowledged those students who had earned 25+ PATH cards during the term. When they reach this milestone they are able to choose a prize wheel Prize. Elsie and Heidi chose an ice-cream and Hailey was keen to take a turn being Principal for an Hour! There are a number of other students who are close to hitting that target this term...the prizes are a good incentive!

Prize Wheel draws also saw in Week 11:

Aroha – winning a dip in the treasure chest

Kylah – winning free time with a buddy!

And in Week 1:

Eden – Principal for an Hour

We also gave out more 25+ PATH card prizes. Congratulations to:

Aaliyah – dip in the treasure chest

Loce – Principal for an Hour

Jordan – dip in the treasure chest

Mac – Principal for an Hour

CLASSROOM AWARDS

The following students have also received classroom awards at assembly:

WK 11: **Xzavier, Elsie, Zane, Aroha,**

WK 1: **Brax, Jonathan, Elsie, Heidi, Mac and Eden**

Well done everyone – keep being AWESOME!

Mauriora,
Kylie Piper.

2021 Term 2 Some Dates to Remember

Monday	3 May	Term 2 begins Cool Bananas Values programme starts
Wednesday	12 May	TEACHER ONLY DAY
Thursday	20 May	BoT Meeting – 6:30pm
Friday	28 May	School Cross country: at Ruawai Primary/Lugtiheid Farm Blong Road
Thursday	3 June	Mahuika Drama Performance at Dargaville Intermediate
Monday	7 June	QUEENS BIRTHDAY – no school
Thursday	10 June	Northern Wairoa Cross Country
Thursday	17 June	Te Manawa Ministry of Ed HUB held in school library 9am
Friday	18 June	Ki-o-rahi tournament
Thursday	24 June	BoT Meeting – 6:30pm
Friday	25 June	Interim Reports come home
Thursday	1 July	Parent Interviews (school finishes at 12:30pm)

We will also have a science fair towards the end of term along with some possible Matariki celebrations. More information will be shared when we have it.