# TE KURA TUATAHI O PAPAIOEA

**CENTRAL NORMAL SCHOOL** 

Wahanga 2 Wiki 4

Whaia Kia Tutuki ~ Strive to your Potential —

**18 Haratua 2023** 

## Kia Ora koutou, Talofa Lava, Ni Hao, Mało e lelei

Looking back on last years pānui, we are a month earlier with the impact of COVID and illnesses effecting our staff. This week, we are averaging 5/6 teachers away each day.

Where we can, we source relieving teachers to be in the class for the day, but there are less relieving teachers than there ever used to be and they are thinly stretched across the city. We are aware that many schools across the Manawatū are experiencing the same staffing issues, with one smaller school on Monday having to close, as it could not get enough staff to be at the school.

Where we cannot get a reliever, we may have to split a class, where tamariki are placed into another class for the day. When this happens, they either continue with some of the learning from their class or participate in the learning of the class they are in. We absolutely commend our tamariki when their classes



Jimi with the fantastic puppet rabbit he made.

are split, as they are very resilient and understanding with moving to another class for the day. In fact, many tamariki enjoy being split for the day and interacting with a new kaiako and other tamariki.

# **Relief Cleaner**

We are looking for a casual relief cleaner to fill in when one of our wonderful cleaners is away sick. The nature of the casual position would be that you would need to be flexible and available enough to come 'at the drop of a hat'. Typically we find out in the morning if one of our cleaners will be away, where we would then contact the relief cleaner to come in that afternoon. If you are looking for some additional, casual work, please email Matua Regan with your expression of interest: <a href="mailto:principal@centralnormal.school.nz">principal@centralnormal.school.nz</a> All school employees are required to be police checked.

### PTA - Second Hand Book Sale

This year, our PTA are raising funds to support the purchasing of outdoor play equipment. Their upcoming fundraiser is a Second Hand Book Sale, which will be held on Friday 16 June, 8.30am - 9.00am/3.00pm - 3.30pm and Saturday 17 June, 1.00pm - 3.00pm.

Donated books can be brought to the school library every Thursday morning.

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# Kings Birthday - Monday 5 June (school closed)

### **Cross Country**

Our school cross country is TOMORROW Friday 19 May. Our Middle and Senior children will race at Coronation Park and our Junior children will race at kura. Tamariki racing at Coronation Park will walk to and from the park and you are welcome to walk with us, or meet us at the park. Race times and ages are below:

Teams/Classes	Where	Times
<b>Senior Team:</b> Yr 4-6 (Akomanga 1,2,3,4,5,21,22)	Coronation Park Tremaine Avenue	Leave school at 9.30am Races underway by 10.00am
<b>Middle Team:</b> Yr 2-4 (Akomanga 14, 15, 17, 18, 23, 24)	Coronation Park Tremaine Avenue	Leave school at 10.00am Races underway by 10.30am
<b>Junior Team:</b> Yr 0-2 (Akomanga 6,8,9,10,11,12,13,19,20)	Central Normal School Field	Races underway from 11.45am - 12.30pm

If the weather is unfavourable and we postpone or cancel cross country, we will let you know via Facebook and Seesaw.

### Life Education and Harold the Giraffe

We are so excited to be coming back to Central Normal and seeing all our friends again! Being around all your energy, positivity and kindness is always a highlight of our year - we can't wait!

We feel very privileged to be sharing in the students learning. With the Year 1-4s, our learning will be about looking after our amazing bodies, by discussing how our senses tell us how different types of touch might make us feel and how we can help others to feel safe and valued. While with the Seniors, we'll be investigating pubertal change and how we can develop a positive attitude towards this by looking after our basic needs and valuing our reputations and identity.

We both look forward to seeing you all next Wednesday! Tim and Harold!

### Waka Ama

Classes are still continuing to enjoy the amazing waka ama experience on Hokowhitu Lagoon. We are really proud to be able to provide this great opportunity for our tamariki, thanks to the School Donation Scheme that our kura receives.

### Caretaker

On Monday, we will welcome our new caretaker, Darren. Darren is really looking forward to joining our CNS whānau and overseeing our school grounds and property.



Yuri, Charlie and Nesta ready for waka ama!