

TE KURA TUATAHI O PAPAIOEA

CENTRAL NORMAL SCHOOL

Wahanga 2 Wiki 6

Whaia Kia Tutuki ~ Strive to your Potential

9 Pipiri 2022

Malo e lelei, Tēnā Koutou, Sata sī akāla, Dia dhuit

Our Teacher Only Day last Friday was absolutely fantastic! We had an incredible day of professional learning with Speech Language Therapist and Literacy Coach, Emma Nahna.

Emma further strengthened our knowledge and understanding of phonological awareness, letter/sound association and how sounds are formulated, that is - the actual placement and shape of our tongue and mouth when we make sounds.

Many of us had 'aha' moments as we learned new ideas and/or deepened our understanding of 'the why', in relation to speech development. We learned that ALL words can be broken down into sounds, where Emma stated, "everything that can be said, can be sounded out".

Did you know, that in the English language, while we have 26 letters of the alphabet, we have 44 sounds? We also learned about Sound Walls, which are visual representations of the letters/sounds we say and what our mouth looks like when we say them. Again, we had such a great day and we thank you for your support of our Teacher Only Day.

Inter-School Cross Country

We were incredibly proud of all our tamariki who represented our kura at the Inter-School Cross Country at Ashhurst on Tuesday. Every one of our tamariki demonstrated our school vision of Whaia Kia Tutuki - Strive to your Potential. In the top 20 place-getters, we congratulate Beau who placed 1st in his age group and Charlie who placed 14th in his age group.

Learning Conferences

We would really value seeing all our whānau at our Learning Conferences. Our Learning Conferences are an opportunity for you to catch up with your child's teacher to chat about your child's learning, progress and achievement. Learning Conferences can be booked online by going to: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and entering the code: **k u 6 r n** If you have any trouble making a booking online, please contact Ange or Emma in the office, who will happily help you make a booking.

Please Note:

- School will finish early on this day (Thursday 7 July) at **12.30pm** to allow Conferences to begin at 1.00pm.
- Due to another commitment on the same day, Whaea Laurel (Akomanga 12) will finish at 4.00pm on Learning Conference day. If the available times are all booked and you were unable to make a booking, please contact Whaea Laurel to make another time.

Illness

Alongside COVID, we have noticed that many of our tamariki are being affected by the cold or flu. On Tuesday, we had 1/4 of our kura absent due to illness, A reminder - if your child is feeling unwell and displays flu like symptoms, please keep them at home.



Teacher Only Day with Emma Nahna.

