



Week Three Term Two

Friday 12th May 2023

Values for Term Two
Respect
Participation

Kia ora koutou,

As we dash through Term Two, I unfortunately cannot share or celebrate our children's fantastic mahi as I should. Instead, I need to address a couple of really important things that involve the safety and security of the children and the school. It would be irresponsible of me not to say anything.

Firstly, I urge all whanau to support using our two formal road crossings, that is, where the road patrollers are stationed. We have had three incidents this term alone where children have crossed the road either without looking and/or rushing across from their whanau instruction to them. Luckily no-one has been hurt but the children were and are confused with who to listen to first - the school or their whanau. We have wonderful seniors who have trained, and who sacrifice their time to help cross students safely across the road, and we also have our teachers on duty, unless whanau are going to volunteer to cross all students safely, so please please please - let them do their job.

Please also remember -

A Block students use main entrance gate to enter and exit

B Block students use side gate entrance to enter and exit

These separate areas are safety measures that we put in place to keep congestion at a minimum, and to be able to monitor with a clear view where our junior students are. Please support this or we will then have to come up with new safety measures - for all. Thank you.

Lastly - The school grounds and property is out of bounds outside of school hours, unless; it is a school event, your child is part of Kia Ora Netball training, your child is part of the Karate Club using the hall. There is continuous damage to property - damage that impacts on our students being able to enjoy it for their learning and play - tagging, holes, ripped turf, broken bits off the playground, removal of safety strips, and frequent rubbish left lying around - including broken glass. We are held accountable for an injury despite whether the injury was the result of someone else or damaged equipment caused by unwelcome intruders. **Trespassers will be Prosecuted** signs have been ordered, and The Board of Trustees are currently drafting a fencing plan, so the safest and best option then is for children to stay off school property.

Thank you very much for your support moving forward. If you want to come and see me about these please see Whaea Tina for an appointment. I won't give any exemptions or apologise because there are no compromises in the safety for children but I can give you clarification.

Nga Mihi, Whaea Margs.



Kiwi Can
We are fortunate this term to have three
Kiwi Can Leaders
Matua Marlon, Whaea Sarah, and
welcome to HWS Whaea Kate.
Our amazing leaders will also be coaching and
developing our Y5-8 students winter sports' skills.
Whaea Nina will be distributing a panui shortly seeking
whanau coaches for our Winter Sports Day,
Thursday 8th June.



Congratulations
Rata
for winning the
Term 1 house
challenge...

WELL DONE!!!