



# Three Kings School

## Term 4, Week 9 2022

### Newsletter



#### Mā te wā

What a full and fabulous year it has been! Wishing all of our students and whānau a restful break full of family time and joy.

We have loved being able to run all of our special events this year alongside a full year of in class teaching (albeit interrupted by various isolation periods for many!). It has been great to have so many family members working alongside us; from supporting our Garden to Table program, helping on

trips, being a part of our wonderful PTA, helping out in classrooms, supporting on sports trips, providing transport...the list goes on. Thank you for all of your contributions this year. To our students leaving Three Kings School, Te Tātua o Rakataura we wish you all the very best with your future schooling, to those returning we are excited to see you back for an exciting 2023!

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#### Kia Ora Kaiako

On Thursday afternoon we said "thank you" and "best wishes" to Olivia Neary, Jane Martin, Rebecca Kettle, Sammie Lee, Sophie Rowland, Jude Mahoney and Renee.

Here is what our learners shared at our assembly about each of them:

"The bubbly Miss Neary. Miss Neary has been in the Koru team for 6 years! She has a great new job as a deputy principal but will always have a special place here at Three Kings School".

"We want to say Goodbye to Ms Martin. Ms Martin has worked at Three Kings School for 15 years. She has had lots of different roles in her time here but most importantly she has always been an amazing teacher. We are so lucky that Ms Martin will still be around our school next year, just not every day".

"Miss Kettle has been at Three Kings School for three years! Miss Kettle always wants the best for her class and has been a great role model in her use of Te Reo Māori in our school".

"Room 3 has had the amazing Miss Lee for the last two terms. We know all of the students will miss Miss Lee. Good luck for your next adventure Miss Lee!".

"Room 12 has been lucky enough to have two new teachers this term. Miss Rowland and Mrs Mahoney. Whilst Mrs BD has been away they have kept room 12 running so smoothly along with some other helpers. Room 12 have been lucky to have you both".

"As many of you know Renee has worked with lots of students since starting at Three Kings School. She has spent most of her time in Koru and her support will be missed by all the teachers".

From all of us at Three Kings, thank you for caring so much for our tamariki and best wishes!

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## Seeing 2022 out with a BANG

This last week has seen 2 fantastic shows and a memorable Graduation round out the 2022 school year.

Dressed in their best our 67 Year 6 leavers, supported by their Year 5 peers packed the hall with eager families watched on. There was laughter and tears as our leavers celebrated not just the last year but their Three Kings journey. As we bid them a fond "ka kite" (see you soon), we wish them all the best in their Intermediate years.

Following on from this Friday morning Koru started the day with their Royal Variety show rich with song and dance of the most regal nature.

Last but not least Porohita staged an epic song, dance and drama filled extravaganza based on the picture book "Love you forever".

Three amazing events to see out 2022!

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## Teacher only Day - 2023

The Ministry of Education announced last week that schools will be given 4 teacher only days for 2023 and 2024. These days don't replace the teacher call back days we utilise in the holidays bringing staff in before the school year begins.

The Ministry release confirmed four additional teacher-only days (TOD) in 2023 and 2024 (two days per year). These TODs will focus on implementation across The New Zealand

Curriculum refresh, re-design of Te Marautanga o Aotearoa and shifts in practice to strengthen NCEA.

- the first TOD in 2023 can be held during the first two weeks of Term 2, 2023 – between Monday 24 April and Friday 5 May 2023

As Tuesday the 25th of April is ANZAC day we have chosen to take the **Monday 24th April** as a teacher only day. Staff will be in at school undertaking professional development on that day so school will be closed for instruction. Hopefully this forward notice will provide families an opportunity to plan accordingly.

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## Board Talk

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## Three Kings School Uniform

From the 19 December, NZ Uniforms will be the supplier of our school uniform. There is still quite a bit of stock remaining at The Warehouse (Royal Oak) so you are welcome to continue shopping there until the end of February.

NZ Uniforms has a physical store located at 12 Railway St, Newmarket. They are open 6 days per week, should you wish to purchase any items in person. Visit their website at <https://www.nzuniforms.com/> for opening hours.

But the great news is that you are also able to shop online! Click here to check out the new Three Kings site: <https://threekings.nzuniforms.com/>

Please make sure that you read the Returns Policy. We have most sizes available at school, in our second hand shop, should you wish to try on for size.

## Kindo

Most of our families have set up a Kindo account and are using it to pay for school activities, donations, activity fee, stationery etc. If you are not using Kindo, we would like to encourage you to do so as it is our preferred method of payment. Please see the attached pdf for instructions on how to set up your account.

Feel free to pop into the office if you'd like help with this or ring Kindo on 0508 454 636.



## Pukeko Party

The Student Leadership team made the very difficult decision this year to disband the Pukeko house. The Student Leaders have plans for more house events next year and it was felt these would be easier to plan and organise with four houses rather than five. Pukeko children have complained for a while now that they are red and red is the uniform colour so when we were looking for a house to go it seemed the natural choice. The current members of Pukeko had a special party last week to say goodbye and they were sorted into new

houses using the TKS sorting hats.



## Little Scientists School Holiday Programmes



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