


KIA ORA FROM KYRAN

## Tēnā koutou katoa ngā whānau o te Kura o Kahurangi,

With just three weeks to go, the school is as busy as ever! While some may think we're winding down, it couldn't be further from the truth—it feels like we're running at triple the speed!

Our team is hard at work finishing student reports, planning special end-of-year events, and preparing for 2025. No matter how many times we've done this, it's always a busy time of year.

Through it all, our focus remains on supporting our tamariki to finish the year on a high. In this newsletter, you'll find important updates and reminders—so be sure to have a read!



## KAHURANGI SCHOOL 2024 FINAL ASSEMBLY

**Thurs 12 Dec  
6:30PM  
At St Patrick's College**

Our Kapa Haka group, which includes all our talented tamariki, will be performing—  
an event you won't want to miss!

## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES



### Wed 4 Dec

**Y8 Leavers' Dinner**  
A very special occasion to celebrate our Y8s reaching the end of their primary school days.

### Wed 11 Dec

**Junior School Trip**  
Further details are on a separate notice.

### Thurs 12 Dec

**Final Assembly**  
6:30pm at St Patrick's College.

### Tues 17 Dec

**Last school day of 2024**  
Please note we finish school at 12:30pm.



A warm and heartfelt welcome to one new rangatahi who has started at Kahurangi in recent weeks.

**LJ** joins one of our year 5-6 classes who learn with Claire and Judy. He has happy to join his cousins Hayley and Neleilah who already learn with us.

### School Photos Are Ready to View!



Your child's school photos are now available to view and order online through Inspire Photography.

#### How to Order

- Visit [www.inspirephotocart.co.nz](http://www.inspirephotocart.co.nz)
- Use the access code: **kahu59294**

#### Important Information

- Check your child's name is correct and notify Inspire Photography of changes before 29 November.
- Review your order confirmation email carefully.
- Inspire Photography cannot swap or refund incorrectly ordered prints.
- Late orders will remain online for up to 12 months but will incur postage fees.

#### Need Help?

For assistance, please contact Inspire Photography directly.

- Email: [orders@inspirephotography.co.nz](mailto:orders@inspirephotography.co.nz)
- Website: [www.inspirephotocart.co.nz](http://www.inspirephotocart.co.nz)



**Are your tamariki moving to a new school in 2025?** Please let us know as soon as possible as this information helps us plan appropriately for the coming year.

### Our 2025 Class Placement Process

As we prepare to organise classes for 2025, I'd like to share our approach and ask for your input on any important information we should consider for your tamariki.

Last year, we asked whānau to complete a friendship survey with their tamariki and while the intention was to support friendships, it added significant complexity to an already challenging process. This year, we're taking a different approach to ensure we continue to consider friendships while managing the placement process effectively.

Each child will create a friendship circle with their teacher, identifying peers (at their own year level) they enjoy learning and playing with. Teachers will support children to think beyond their current class and consider those across other classes. This approach helps us ensure that tamariki are placed with friends in a way that supports their learning and social growth.

#### How whānau can contribute

We value your insights and invite you to share any significant information about your child that could impact their placement. For example, is something at home affecting your child at school?

Please avoid specific requests for teachers or friends. Our goal is to create balanced classes while considering gender, skill levels, social dynamics, learning needs along with previous teachers.

#### What to expect

Assigning tamariki to classes is a task we approach with great care and thought. While we cannot guarantee every child will be placed with their 'best' friend, we will do our utmost to ensure they are with at least one current friend. As a relatively small kura, tamariki often have the opportunity to be in the same class with their friends in future years. We also ask that you remember there will be countless opportunities for tamariki to connect with their friends during break times, sports, and other school activities.

This balanced approach helps us support both existing friendships and the formation of new connections, ensuring a positive and inclusive learning environment.

**If you have information to share, please email Kyran [principal@kahurangi.school.nz](mailto:principal@kahurangi.school.nz) by Friday 29 November.**

## Dazzling at the Disco!

A huge thank you to **Kahurangi Whānau** for organising such a fabulous night for our tamariki! Your effort and energy created a truly special evening. It was wonderful to see so many happy faces on the dancefloor.



