



Arohena School & Community

Where we strive to provide
excellence in all aspects of education



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Daffodil Day

Notice Board

Whole School Ski & Mountain Safety Trip
Friday 21st September
Everyone welcome to come along and join
in the days fun.

Wednesday 12th September

Newsletter

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Tena koutou katoa.

This week New Zealand celebrates Te wiki o te reo Māori, Māori language week. It's a good reminder to us that the principles of the New Zealand curriculum acknowledges the Treaty of Waitangi and the bicultural foundations of Aotearoa New Zealand and states that all students must have the opportunity to acquire knowledge of te reo Māori and tikanga. In doing so Arohena School has visited our local marae, Aotearoa Marae and participated in several powhiri this year. Also this week we will have a visiting speaker of te reo in classes celebrating Te wiki o te reo Māori. To support our learning in this area there is a great app available online called "Kupu". This app allows the user to photograph objects and then provides the word in te reo. Give it a go!!

Last week our Senior class participated in the Eastern Zone winter sports day at Wharepapa South School. It was a great day and all of our students represented our school exceptionally well by being good sports. They participated in soccer, touch rugby, volleyball, ki o rahi and tapu ae. Special thanks to Project Energize and Wharepapa South School for organising such a successful day.

Next week is Conservation week. During this week our students will assist with setting rat traps at the Arohena camp site and child-safe rat traps in our native bush on the school site. Thanks to Stu Nisbett who has offered to help our students monitor these traps. This is a great opportunity for children to learn about how DOC monitor native sites and

how they go about collect data too.

Also don't forget to logon and count the kereru from 21st of September. The Great Kereru count is NZ's biggest citizen science project to help gather information on the abundance and distribution of the New Zealand pigeon- also known as kererū.

The other school community event that we are all looking forward to is our Ski trip on Friday the 21st of September. Please make sure that you return information about ski and snowboard hire as soon as possible.

Reminder: Together with our Board of trustees we are currently exploring what Arohena School provides for Year 7 and 8 learners. We want to make the year 7 and 8 curriculum unique and engaging. We are already part of the Senior Leadership Programme which runs combined events each term however we are taking a closer look at what we do here in our school. Please make time to complete the online survey that will be up soon on our Facebook page and our School loop app.

Mariu
Optimism

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Lisa Bates
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The Senior Class attended the Eastern Zone Winter Sports day on Friday 7th September held at Wharepapa South School. Thank you Wharepapa South School for hosting this.

Thank you Wade for bringing along your yellow 1969 Dodge Coronet to Daffodil Day.



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