

Ko Rāpare tekau mā rima o Piripi : Thursday 15 June 2023

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Haere mai, Welkom, Afio mai, Huānyíng, Yōkoso and Bienvenida to all the new little people and their families who have continued to arrive this term!



Showquest is next week....

After months and months of preparation the final event will be on show at the Regent Theatre in Palmerston North on Monday night.

Levin North's preparation for this event is a mammoth task for ALL of our school.

While Emma Hansen has the lion's share of the responsibility, all of the teachers have various roles from costuming, scripting, preparing dance moves and of course having the extra little people as the practices have intensified.

The photos to the left are of the practice in our hall. Ninety kids of all ages (90 of them!) are practising their various sections while the technicians are working out how the lighting should all go.

The learning that has gone into this has been immense. Our kids have been involved in choosing the songs, writing scripts and creating dance moves. They have decided on their own costumes based on what they want to be when they grow up! Watch out for the racing car driver!

If your child is in the show it is really worthwhile to go and watch - our performance really does showcase us - it is totally inclusive of all ages and capabilities and is an absolute joy. I guarantee your face will hurt from smiling!

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Love this photo.... Sausage sizzle advertising - very out of the box thinking!

Jandal Jam preparation starts!

In terms of other performances we are very lucky to have students from Horowhenua College working with our '**Jandal Jammers**' for 2023.

Our Jandal Jam group (once again about 90 kids!) learn dances from various pacific island nations and perform them in October.

Some of you may remember we had an extra performance at school here last year - it was awesome.

Last week a group of secondary students organised by one of our Kāhui Ako lead teachers (Livi Samuelu - who is also a teacher at Taitoko) came to start working with our little people (and a couple of our teachers) and it was SO lovely to see ex North students as part of the group!

Thanks Teabo and friends for your commitment to your culture and for sharing it with us!!



Attendance (again...) Mostly GREAT news :-)

The overall attendance of kids attending our school is very good!

In Term 1 we had 89.5 % attendance (and 6.2 justified absences) which is a total of 95.7 WOW **BUT we have a few children who are arriving at school LATE (after the roll is taken) sometimes not until 10.00 am.**

We know that for some of you it is hard to get here on time but it is VERY hard for your children when they walk into a class and everyone else is engaged in their mahi. The little 'late' person is often embarrassed and sometimes they struggle for a good part of the day!

There are about 17 children who were late more than 15 times last term - let's see if we can change this!

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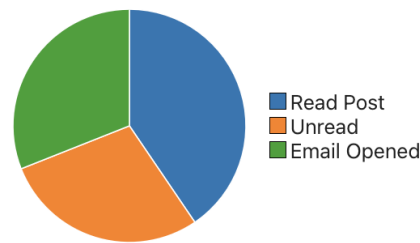
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Learning Conversations

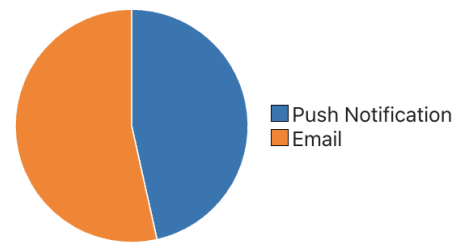
Thanks to all of the families who have made time this week to attend Learning Conversations. These are part of our 'reporting to parents' processes and an important 'formal' occasion for you all to hear about the successes of your child and how they are progressing.

The graphs here are taken from our School and Learning Management system (HERO) and they let us see who has received and read the information about the conversations. 153 families have read/opened the post and 57 have not. 😞

Read Status



Notification Type



Our goal has always been to get as many families as we can in to talk about learning, so if you are having trouble opening these posts please come and see us! It would be great to have a few more people come along - I know your tamariki would love it - they are so proud of the learning tasks they complete!



Paper Donations....

Thank you to Mizpah at Presentation Solutions who made a significant donation of paper to our school. I'm sure it will be well used.

End of term

Our end of term is fast approaching....school finishes for Term 2 on Friday 30 June and starts again on Monday 17 July.

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