

KIA ORA FROM KYRAN

Kia ora e te whānau,

We're proud to let you know that our full ERO report has now been confirmed and published. You can read it here: www.ero.govt.nz/institution/660/kahurangi-school

The report affirms what we see and feel every day at Kahurangi – a strong, inclusive culture where tamariki are known, valued and supported to thrive. ERO recognised the positive tone and culture of our kura, noting the strong sense of belonging our tamariki feel and the way their identities are celebrated.

Teaching and learning are described as purposeful and well-supported, with kaiako using student achievement information to guide targeted teaching. The report also acknowledges the high expectations set by our leadership team, the strength of our governance and our strategic focus on what matters most – progress, achievement, wellbeing and equity.

Our agreed next steps include a deeper focus on helping tamariki talk about their learning, strengthening maths interventions and embedding the new revised curriculum.

It's a great feeling to have our mahi affirmed by ERO, and even better to know we're on the right path for our tamariki. Thank you to all of our tamariki, whānau, kaiako, staff and board – this report reflects everyone's contribution.

Me mahi tahi tātou – let's keep working together for the success of all our tamariki.

Ngā mihi nui,

Kyran Smith Tumuaki



Inside, you'll find an insight into how we approach mathematics at Kahurangi.

noticeboard



Wed 28 May

**Eastern Zone
Football Tournament**
Selected Y4-8 students

Fri 30 May

School Assembly
Hosted by the class that learn with Mr Masters
2:10pm



Kindness is Our Kākahu



It was wonderful to see the whole school get behind Pink Shirt Day last Friday! Throughout the week, our teachers and classes took extra time to focus on important kōrero around kindness, friendship, and how to stand up to bullying – whether it's happening to us or someone else. Our school assembly explored the kaupapa behind Pink Shirt Day and some volunteer seniors stepped up by creating a popular friendship photo station that tamariki loved using during their breaks.

Eastern Zone Cross Country Success

Ka mau te wehi to all of our amazing runners who competed with determination and pride at the recent Eastern Zone Cross Country event. A big shout-out to the six ākonga who placed in the top 10 for their year level and have earned a spot in the Inter Zone competition – what an awesome achievement!

 **Innis (2nd)**

 **Kelera (2nd)**

 **Rusty (2nd)**

Nell (5th)

Ava M (6th)

Kalara (7th)

Ngā mihi nui to the whānau who came along to tautoko our tamariki on the day – your cheers and help made all the difference. We appreciate you!



From Centre Pass to Final Whistle!

Our Year 5–8 netballers are into the swing of the winter season with great energy and teamwork. Awesome to see not just strong play, but fair play – within our teams and towards opponents.



Short-Term Medication at School

If your child needs to take short-term medication during the school day, here are a few important things to remember:

A medical consent form must be completed at the office before we can give any medication.

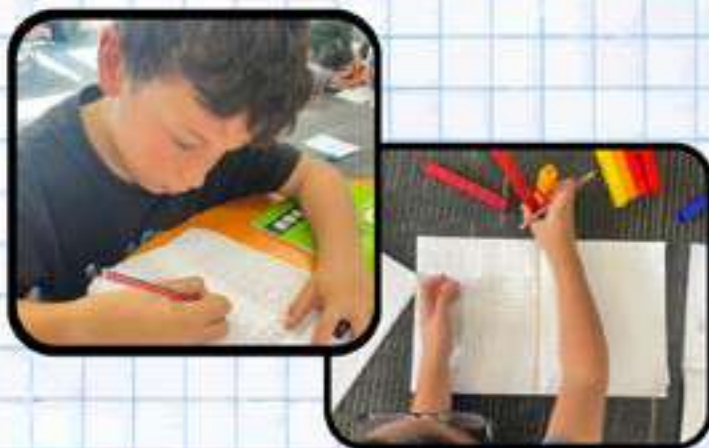
All medication must be clearly labelled and in its original packaging (prescribed bottle or box).

Please check if medicine we hold for your child is still required and unexpired.

WHAT MATHS LOOKS LIKE @ KAHURANGI

At Kahurangi School we believe all tamariki can succeed in maths – not just by memorising facts but by truly understanding the concepts. This is why we use a teaching method called 'Maths Mastery' through our chosen approach 'Maths - No Problem!'

We're sharing this with you because we know maths teaching has changed. Many of us were taught rules and steps without really understanding why. 'Maths Mastery' supports building deep, flexible, and confident mathematical thinkers.



THE FIVE BIG IDEAS IN TEACHING FOR MASTERY

CONFERENCE

Learning is broken into small, connected steps to build understanding over time, ensuring each new idea makes sense and links to what tamariki already know.

REPRESENTATION & STRUCTURE

We use equipment like counters, tens frames, number lines, and diagrams so that children see the maths. This helps them understand what's happening.

MATHEMATICAL THINKING

Tamariki are encouraged to talk about their ideas, ask questions, and explain their reasoning. This helps deepen understanding and allows them to learn from one another.

FLUENCY

It's important that children know number facts and methods well and can use them efficiently. Fluency means having the confidence and flexibility to solve problems in more than one way.

VARIATION

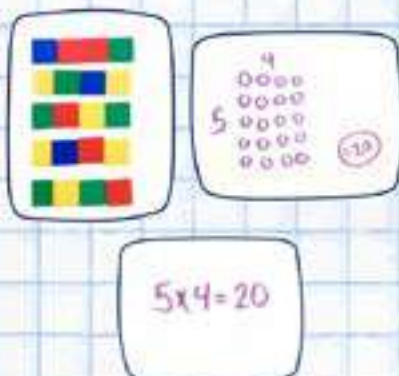
Rather than just repeating the same kind of problem, we show concepts in different ways. This helps children make connections and apply their knowledge to new situations.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR MY CHILD?

- Your child is learning maths in a way that builds real understanding - not just memorising steps.
- They'll use hands-on tools (like blocks or counters), pictures and discussion to explore ideas.
- They'll grow more confident, fluent and flexible with numbers.
- All tamariki are supported to succeed - we believe everyone can achieve in maths.
- Children who grasp concepts quickly aren't rushed ahead; instead, they're extended through rich, creative problem-solving.



HOW WE TEACH: CONCRETE (C) → PICTORIAL (P) → ABSTRACT (A)



This is one of the most important parts of how we teach.

Many maths ideas are abstract – and this can be tricky, especially for young children. So instead, we start with what they can see and touch:

- Concrete: Children use physical objects (like counters, number rods, or base 10 blocks) to explore the maths.
- Pictorial: Next, they draw or use diagrams to represent the problem.
- Abstract: Only once they understand the concept do they move to numbers and symbols.

This process - called CPA - helps children understand not just how to do the maths but why it works.

Road Patrol Training



What's coming up

Wednesday 28 May

Eastern Zone Football Tournament

For keen Y5-8 students.

Friday 30 May

School Assembly

Hosted by the class that
learn with Mr Masters.

2:15pm in Broadway

Whānau are always
welcome!

Monday 2 June

King's Birthday

No school!

Tuesday 10 June

Inter-zone Primary School Cross Country

Selected students who place at the Eastern Zones will get a notice with details.

Friday 13 June

School Assembly

Hosted by the class
that learn with Brynne
2:15pm in Broadway

Whānau are always welcome!

Wednesday 18 June

Sing Up!

More details coming soon.

Thursday 19 June

Matariki Events

More details coming soon.

Friday 20 June

Matariki

No school!

► News from the Community



**Te Kura Tuarua o Tararua ki Pukeahu
Wellington High School
Open Evening 2025**

Monday 9 June

4:30pm – 5:45pm and 6pm – 7:15pm

You and your spouse are warmly invited to attend our Open Evening for families considering admission for 2026.

This is a ticketed event and pre-booking is essential.

For details and booking link please visit www.whs.school.nz/open-evening
Information packs will be available.

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