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WEEK 10 KAWERONGO - NEWSLETTER

11 April 2025

Kia ora koutou,

Diamond Jubilee 2nd and 3rd of May:

At the time of writing this last newsletter for Term one, we have just over three weeks till we celebrate our school's 60 Diamond Jubilee. Our school was opened in 1965, initially as an IHC centre - Kaka Street. We have come a long way since then, our student roll is 122 close to 127 maximum capacity across all of our facilities and we changed our school's name in 2016 from Kaka Street Special School to Tauranga Special School.

We had very good media coverage and advertising via Sun Live, Bay of Plenty Times, radio slots, roadside signs and by word of mouth.

On Friday 2nd May, we are holding a Birthday Party Celebration for the whole school and families are welcome to join us. 10.30am to 12.30pm The theme is 'Bright Colours'.

On Saturday 3rd May, our formal Jubilee celebration will be held. Enquiries can still be made via office@taurangaspecialschool.nz or call the office 07 578 4424

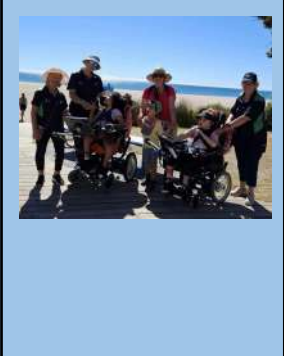
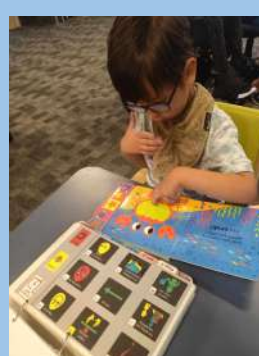
Ngā mihi Kind regards
Barrie Wickens
Principal

Important dates:

11 April	End of Term 1
28 April	Start of Term 2
2 & 3 May	TSS Jubilee Birthday Celebrations
2 June	King's Birthday (no school this day)

Room 1

We have been enjoying lots of different activities at school this term such as maths, books, swimming, Kapa Haka, Dance and Movement, Whānau Fun Day and a trip to the beach.



TKOM - Cathryn's Class

We have been doing some shared reading centred around the core word see. We explored various stories that used the word "see" in different contexts and then carried out hands-on activities to practice describing things that we could see. Everyone had fun finding different sea animals in sensory bags and cleaning paint off pictures to find animals. We also made our own books about things we can see.





Te Kura o
Manunui

senior
class

TERM
ONE



creating
MAGIC

- Exploring shapes
- Learning about ocean pollution
- Celebrating Holi
- Making pancakes
- Shared reading
- Using sensory experiences to guide our writing
- Playing games
- Moving our bodies

having
fun!

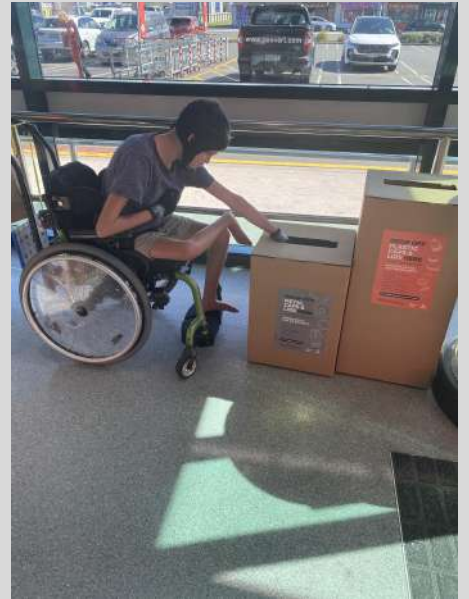
DRC - Pukeko Class

This year we welcomed Peyton, Finley and Isaac to DRC Pukeko class from Base school. We are having fun together!

This term we are learning about recycling. We have been feeling and looking at different recyclable items and learning to put these in the correct recycling bin. Also, we have been taking some soft plastics and bottle caps to local supermarkets to recycle.



DRC - Tui Class



This term Tui class has been learning about recycling. We have been sorting items at DRC and then we visited several different places around Tauranga to recycle. We have recycled glass, soft plastics, bottle tops, cardboard and paper.

Physiotherapy Introducing your 2025 physio team!



Megan Munro
Physiotherapist



Kim Harris
Swimming and Pool coordinator



Awhina Brown
Physio Assistant

We love clowning around, swimming, sports and keeping our kids active.



Megan loved supporting our students at Special Olympics Athletics event in March.



Our students are really enjoying and benefitting from the therapy riding program at RDA Tauranga.



Awhina has been helping Welcome Bay with the trike/bike riding program, keeping students active at the gym room set up at TKoM and accessing the playground at school.



Our students are loving exploring the swimming pool.