

TE TAU O AROHANUI

*The year of Great-
LOVE*



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UP COMING EVENTS

Term 3 Dates

22nd July - 27th September

School Photos

14th August

Parent/Teacher/Student

Conferences

13th, 14th, 15th of August

Reminder that school closes
for instruction at 12pm on
these days.

School Cross Country

Tuesday 27th August

(postponement date: Wednesday
28th August)

He mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa—I extend a very warm greeting to you all!

I have been absolutely blown away by the loving and caring nature of the staff, children and parents/caregivers that I have met in my first two weeks as principal of James Cook School. There is a very special 'vibe' in the air here at James Cook and I am immensely impressed with how the RICHER core culture envelopes every aspect of school life—from the classroom, to the sports field, to the playground and to the interactions between staff, students, parents/caregivers and community members. I want to thank everyone for welcoming me with open arms and hearts. I am thoroughly looking forward to the journey of leading learning here!

I have been teaching for the past 20 years in the Manawatu, Auckland and overseas in Belfast, Northern Ireland, where my wife, Laura, comes from. We have three daughters: Maia, Aria and Koa who currently attend Mt Biggs School, just out of Feilding, where we live on a few acres with a couple of cows and sheep! I have taught all age levels throughout my career and lectured for a few years at Massey in Maori education and educational politics. I am in the final months of completing my doctorate in education and hope to graduate in May next year. I am thoroughly looking forward to working with the James Cook School community. Nga mihi!

Timu Niwa

*Being told you're
appreciated is one of
the simplest and
most uplifting things
you can hear.*

AROUND THE SCHOOL

New Playgrounds

We are extremely privileged to have our newly constructed playgrounds all fully operational now! A huge thanks to Mrs Cameron, staff, past and present children and the Board of Trustees for guiding the conceptual, planning and design processes and a huge thank you to Thomas, Lawrence, Maree and the team from Playground Creations who have spearheaded the construction over the past two weeks. It has certainly been a very easy and streamlined process.



A huge thanks to past students, Abby, Te Rere, Ina, Joanna and Vincent who came to officially open the playgrounds with Aaron (Rm 1) and Jhai-Blue (Rm 4) who got to cut the ribbon with them. Thanks to those who came to the opening on Friday 2nd August!

RANGITIKEI HOCKEY REPRESENTATIVES

We want to congratulate the following James Cook School students who have been named in the Rangitikei representative teams for hockey. They are:

Samantha Rooke, Murphy Gunn, Christopher Dillon, Jayden Hamilton and Fabian Pompey-Tepu!

Welcome to James Cook School

A huge welcome to Mrs Heidi Hare. Heidi is our new Reading Recovery teacher. Originally from Australia, Heidi brings with her a wealth of experience in educational leadership, literacy and pedagogy. Heidi will work for two full days and two half days with a small group of our six year old learners in a one-to-one capacity to help boost their reading skills and strategies over Term 3 and 4. We wish her all the very best in her role at James Cook and welcome her with open arms!

A huge welcome to five new students to James Cook School who all started on the same day as Mr Niwa and Mrs Hare. They are:

Marcus Mitchell (Room 7)

Zakariah Mitchell (Room 1)

Vitana Elia (Room 1)

Jai-Blue Richardson-Metcalf (Room 1)

Jeremy Chambers (Room 1)

We are all dedicated to ensuring that our RICHER core culture becomes a part of you as you join us on our individual and collective learning journeys.



AROUND THE SCHOOL



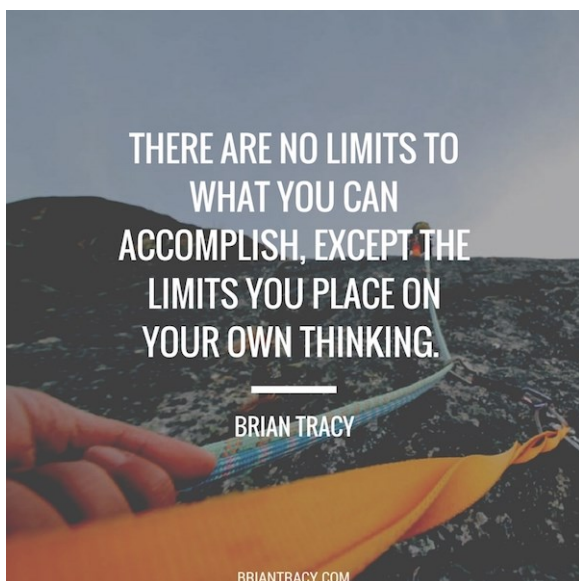
James Cook School Photo Day

Please return the Class/Individual order envelope with the money inside to the school office by photo day 14th August. A separate envelope is needed for each student.

You can order online – details are on the envelope and no need to return the envelope back to school.

Family/Sibling and Sports/Cultural order forms are available at the office if required.

You must have the correct money or cheque in the order form envelope as all money is directly given to L.C Scott Photographers.



Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

On Wednesday the eldest child in each family was sent home with a note regarding Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences.

These are scheduled for Tuesday 13th (1:15pm –7pm), Wednesday 14th August (1:15pm—7pm) and Thursday 15th August (1:15pm—3:30pm).

Booking conferences for this term is being done online.

Login to the link:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=pfd2d>

This will take you directly to the booking page.

You can also book directly via the School App.

If you require assistance or are unable to access school conferences online, please call the school office on (06) 327 8229 or come into the office to see Mrs Rooke or Mrs Stewart and they will be able to book them for you.

SCHOOL FINISHES AT 12PM EACH DAY- DURING CONFERENCES

The note sent home also outlined that school will close for instruction at 12pm for each of the three days that conferences are on. Please complete and send the note into the office if you need your child/ren supervised at school until 2:45pm by Thursday 8th August.

SCHOOL INFORMATION



Playground Opening 2nd August 2019

RICHER CORE CULTURE

The following students were drawn out of the Core Culture card award chest for demonstrating one or more of our RICHER values. Thankyou for choosing to be a RICHER person.

5/7/2019

Nancy Etuale: for showing Respect and Cooperation

Baxter Lamb for showing Inclusion and Endeavour.

Randall Faletaogo for showing Respect and Endeavour.

Ethan Edwards for showing Endeavour

26/7/2019

Kirsty Lofia for showing all RICHER values

Zoe McDowell for showing Respect, Cooperation and Endeavour.

Pikahu Hamahona for showing Respect, Inclusion and Endeavour.

Farani Pulemagafa for showing Inclusion and Endeavour.

KAI KETE RECIPIENTS

05/07/2019 Severinsen, Etuale, Groves-Cassidy, Viliamu/Singh/Faletaogo families.

26/07/19 Pomana-Parkes, Matene, White-Gough & Cook-Gardiner families



Hall Renovations

Our hall is nearly ready for us to take back. We have been thoroughly impressed with the team of builders and contractors who have been completing the work to a high standard. The builders have completed their work inside with the renovations and the roof. The painters and electrician will be in shortly to complete the space and it should all be ready for us by the end of the August month. We will keep you in the loop when it's ready to open again!



Mud, mud, mud...

Our back field can get very muddy at the moment. Also, with the wet weather, some of our students like to play in puddles!

Please ensure that your child has a change of clothes in their bag for wet and muddy emergencies.

STUDENT ABSENCES – You can text your child's absent message to 027 758 5514, call the school office at 06 327 8229 or notify us via our school app.