

## Kia Ora Tātou Katoa

The tamariki had a fabulous trip yesterday on the Riverside Train. It has been such a long time since we have been out of school on a trip together. We continue to monitor, with the Ministry’s guidelines for level 2. A reminder that parents/caregivers still need to drop off or pick up students from the gate. If you need to come into school, please ensure you sign in and wear a mask.

### Year 7-8 Survey

Many thanks to all who took the time to fill out their survey and return them to school. The feedback on this has been overwhelmingly positive. We received an 87% return of YES votes for Blenheim School to pursue adding Year 7 and 8 classes in the future. The Board of Trustees considers this to be a mandate to begin looking into the process. A steering committee will be appointed and this mahi will begin in due course. The results are plotted on the pie graph below.

### Grocery Voucher Winner

The lucky winner of the \$100 supermarket gift voucher was a family from Koru classroom. Well done!

## Important Dates

### Marlborough Anniversary

Monday Nov 1 is Marlborough Anniversary Day, The school is closed that day.

### Year 6 Bohally Tour

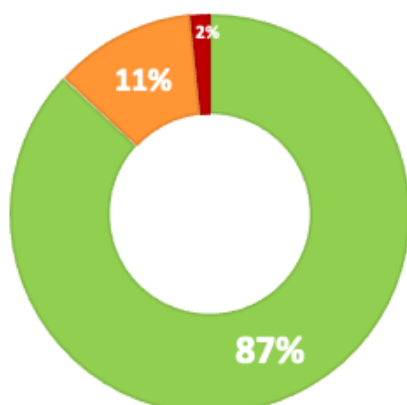
Bohally Intermedite invites all Year 6 students to attend an open day on Wednesday, December 8 at 9am. Watch this space for more information closer to the date.

### Kākano & Koru Wither Hills Field Trip

On Friday 5 November, Koru and Kākano students are going on a trip to the Wither Hills. Please see Mary at the school office if you would like to help.

## BLENHEIM SCHOOL RECAPITATION SURVEY

DO YOU THINK YOU WOULD BE LIKELY TO KEEP YOUR CHILD(REN) AT BLENHEIM SCHOOL FOR YEARS 7 & 8?



**YES – 87% of families**  
53 out of 61 families would keep their children at Blenheim School for Year 7 & 8.

**MAYBE – 11% of families**  
7 out of 61 families might keep their children at Blenheim School for Year 7 & 8.

**NO – 2% of families**  
1 out of 61 families would not keep their children at Blenheim School for Year 7 & 8.

## Covid Protocol for School Assembly

Parents/caregivers wishing to attend a school assembly are welcome to do so but must pre-register with Mary in the school office for the purpose of keeping track of numbers and contact tracing. You must wear a mask and sit two metres apart from other parents/caregivers.

Ngā mihi, Denyse

## Kākano & Koru Wither Hills Field Trip

On Friday 5 November, Koru and Kākano students are going on a trip to the Wither Hills. We will be walking to the Rotary Lookout (Witch's Hat). We will leave school at 930am and travel on the bus to the Rifle Range Carpark. We will walk up the Ridge track to the lookout, have morning tea and then come down Gentle Annie track. We will explore the forest here, have a scavenger hunt, and eat our school lunch. We will be back at school by 2:45pm. We would appreciate a small number of parents to come and help support our students. You are welcome to travel on the bus with us if you are coming for the day. Please let Mary in the office know if you can come and help.

## Sports Tops

If your child is not playing sports this term and has a sports top at home, please return it to the school office.

## GRIT Assembly Certificates

Last week's GRIT certificates went to:

**Kākano** - Aiden, for having a can-do attitude to everything you tackle at Blenheim School. You are focused and you set yourself goals at fitness and running time. We love how you push yourself to get better and better; and Dany, for an outstanding start to Term 4. You are working hard at growing your brain and learning new things. You are showing respect to all adults and your classmates in Kākano. You should be very proud of yourself!

**Koru** - Peletisala, for showing GRIT in Maths time by creating and describing excellent patterns independently. Thank you for being a great role model; Misha, for showing initiative in looking for learning outside of our classroom and bringing things to share that relate to our topic. You have shown great listening and focus in class this week. Great work!

**Rito** - Kenzo - for showing initiative in his learning by organizing yourself for learning, by doing things without being asked and helping others; Hunter D - for showing initiative by organizing himself for learning, by doing things without being asked and helping others.

**Harakeke** - Ryan A for showing all values of GRIT during Ride-On Bike Safety this week. You received such a glowing report from all of the instructors who mentioned the tenacity and respect you demonstrated while learning something that was quite challenging! You are a superstar! Bruce, for showing initiative each and every morning. When you think no-one is looking, we see you setting up the classroom, chatting to students who are by themselves, and carrying on with work during breaks. What would we do without you?

**Caught Being Good** - Atlanta and Caitlin for showing Initiative.