Letter from Pukemokimoki Marae

“I am writing to express the honour and pleasure, of having the year 4 students of your school visit us at Pukemokimoki Marae last week. I feel that it is only right, that I write a personal letter of thanks to you for the respect shown by your year 4 students.

The respect they showed towards the ceremonial powhiri, the restraint they had during the formal speeches and, the willingness they showed to participate in the hongi process is something I have not seen from children of that age in many years.

During the activity, I was immensely impressed by the willingness of all the students to participate and the genuine interest they all showed during the interactive part of the activity. Furthermore, the questions asked were not only appropriate but also intelligent, to a level far beyond what I have become accustomed to when dealing with primary aged students.

I commend you and your staff for a job well done in educating the students and encouraging a positive hunger for knowledge.

I end by saying Thank You, it is an honour and a pleasure to have Onekawa School stay at Pukemokimoki Marae, so much so, that I have felt compelled to write a personal letter for you today.”

Pukemokimoki Marae - Year 4 Stay

Our children loved their stay at Pukemokimoki Marae last Wednesday. Once again, huge thanks must go to our teachers and parents who attended. The behaviour of our children was OUTSTANDING... so much so that Matua Hemi wrote a lovely letter about their stay (see to the right). Thank you, children, you are awesome!

Year 6 Wellington Camp

Our Year 6 children had an amazing experience in Wellington last week! A huge thanks must go to our wonderful teachers and parents who attended. Check out the action photos 😊
Year 3-6 School Cross Country
Well done to all who participated in last week’s cross country. Congratulations to the place getters in each event:

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Principal’s Award – Delilah Pasese

Delilah always lights up the room as soon as she walks in and greets everyone with her beaming smile.

She is respectful and polite with lovely manners.

Delilah gives her best effort in all areas of her learning and perseveres whenever she meets a challenge. She shares her ideas willingly and asks purposeful questions.

She takes initiative in class with her learning and shows that she is always keen and ready to learn.

Delilah is always willing to help others and is kind and caring to those who need it.

It is a pleasure having her in room 9 with her contagious smile and friendly personality.

Upcoming Events
- Wednesday 12 September: School Photos
- Thursday 13 September: Y6 visit to William Colenso
- Thursday 20 September: School Disco
- Tuesday 25 & Wednesday 26 September: Learning Conferences
- Friday 28 September: Last day of term 3

Spellathon
Spellathon testing is underway! Please start collecting sponsor money now. It would be wonderful if the money could be returned to the office by Friday next week. Thanks!

Class Certificate Winners – Week 7 – Ka mau te wehi!