



# Kōtare Hub Weekly Newsletter

## Term 1, Week 9, 2025

Kia ora Whānau,

We hope you all have had a lovely weekend with your tamariki. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Prue Roberts, our new learning assistant to the Kōtare Hub. Prue has been working in our hub over the last couple of weeks and has quickly become a valued team member. Prue will work with different groups of children in the hub and support our learning programmes.

<b>Week 9</b>	
<b>Monday 24th March</b>	<b>Milkshake Flavour is Banana</b> Home learning sent home
<b>Tuesday 25th March</b>	Hanneke is on release. Paula Catton will be teaching Kōtare van den Ende.
<b>Wednesday 26th March</b>	Kellie Sim is on release. Hayley McIntyre will be teaching Kōtare Sim.
<b>Thursday 27th March</b>	Hanneke is on release. Jo Drury will be teaching Kōtare van den Ende. Sushi - order through My Kindo
<b>Friday 28th March</b>	Subway can be ordered through My Kindo Home learning books to be returned.

### Learning Conferences

Learning Conferences are held at different points throughout the school year to share student learning progress and achievement, including social and emotional wellbeing.

We will hold Learning Conferences on Wednesday, April 9th, and Thursday, April 10th, in Week 11 this term.

In response to whānau feedback from Learning Conferences held last year and to allow adequate time for each conference to cover social, emotional and academic learning (15 minutes) **the school will be closing at 1:30pm on Thursday 10th April.**

While we are entitled to close early and have Board support to accommodate Learning Conferences, we appreciate this can be very difficult for some whānau. As such, we are providing some supervision for those who may require it. Please note, this will be limited, as classroom teachers will be engaging in learning conferences.

If you are unable to pick up your tamariki at 1:30pm on Thursday, April 10th, please complete **this form**. We need this form completed to ensure we can staff supervision. Supervision will only be provided to those who have completed the form.

*Please note the following:*

- If your child is in Kiwi Gain or Kiwi Brooks, only students who started at the very beginning of the year (Cohort 1.1) will have a Learning Conference this term.
- If your child's teacher has contacted you regarding an IEP or CAP review meeting this will take place this term instead of a Learning Conference.

How to Book

Click on this link - <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/etdsf>

Enter details - Email, Parent Full Name, Phone, Preferred Meeting Type (In Person or Video Conference), Student's name, then 'Go'

Select Teacher, then 'Go'

Select Time, then 'Go'

You will receive an email confirmation of your booking which will contain the teacher's link for your interview.

***Bookings will close on Tuesday 8th April at midday.***

### Learning Conference Structure

Learning conferences involve parents and whānau meeting face-to-face with Home base teachers to talk about their child's learning. It is beneficial if students are actively involved and also attend these conferences. However, it is the parental choice if they are included or not, as we recognise that many of our parents and whānau have different preferences. We appreciate this can also change from time to time, depending on different circumstances, e.g. student commitments outside of school etc.

Should you have any questions regarding your booking or conference please contact your child's homebase teacher.

### **Reading Folders**

These will be sent home each night and they are to be returned to school the next morning. **It is really important that these come to school each day as we use the reading books in our guided reading lessons.**

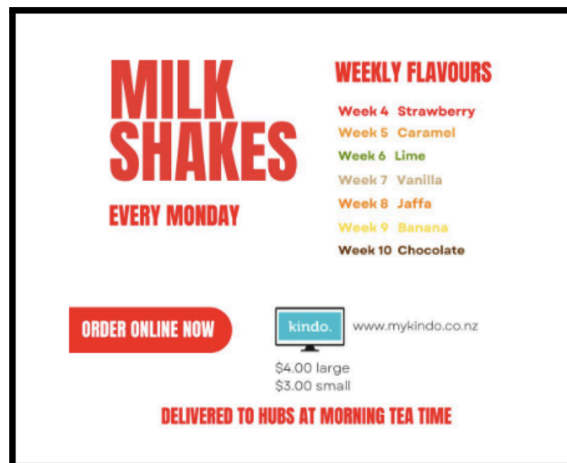
### **Activity Books**

Thank you to those of you who have bought an activity book for their child to keep at school in their tubs. These are great for wet breaks. If you have not yet done this we would really

appreciate it if you could.

### **Milkshake Monday**

The Milkshake flavour this week is banana. They can be ordered online via Kindo, or before school at the café counter. They will be delivered to hubs at morning tea time.



### **Toddlers**

We love seeing the siblings of our tamariki in the mornings and we welcome them into our hub to hang out with their brothers and sisters. We would like to ask though that they please wait outside the hub at the end of the day. The packing up at the end of the school day is a very busy time and we need all of our tamariki focussed on their jobs. We appreciate your support with this.

### **Home Learning**

Children are to choose 4 words from the list at the back of their books to practice spelling over the week. Their home learning books will go out on Monday and are to be returned to school on Friday. They will also have reading to do each night.

### **Kōtare Hub Site**

Please look at this site. Here you will find information about the teachers, weekly newsletters and home learning resources. [Kōtare Hub Site](#)

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