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*Caring about Our  
Environment*

*Respecting Others*

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## SPECIAL KAPA HAKA NATIONALS ISSUE

Kia Ora Whanau,

Firstly, we would like to congratulate our Kapa Haka group performing at Te Mana Kuratahi in Gisborne. On Friday at 9.15 am they did us all very proud with their performance. We were placed 3rd in New Zealand for the year 1 to 6 Primary School section of the competition which is an amazing achievement. We have welcomed them back to school today with a special assembly and have enjoyed hearing stories about their time at the event in Gisborne. This Friday we will be honouring them all again at our 10.00 am Assembly in the hall and invite all whanau and supporters to join us in this event.



Secondly, over term 3 and 4 I have heard many concerns from whanau and the community around the use of social media by our students. Our advice on this is please exercise caution and supervision when children are signing up to social media services and be aware that platforms like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest and Snapchat require account holders to be at least 13 years-old. The minimum age for a person opening an account on Youtube is 18 years old. Looking forward, we are working to further dedicate a time to build more understanding about digital competency in our tamariki as we see this as an important area to develop.

Ehara taku toa, i te toa takitahi engari he toa takatini.

Perrie Topia  
**Principal**



**ROOM 2 PIZZA FUNDRAISER for Senior Camp.** On Wednesday 15 November we will be selling a slice of pizza (cheese, meatlovers and vegetarian) for \$2.00 a slice. Please order from the Hall before 9.00 on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thank you for your support.