



Māhuri Newsletter

Sprouting Trees

Term 1 - 2019

Dear Whānau

Welcome back to school for 2019! It's fantastic to see everyone's smiling faces around school and hear about how excited everyone is to be back together for a new year of learning.

Vaughan is teaching in Room 1 while Vikki is away on maternity leave. Niki is teaching in Room 3.

Our overall school wide learning focus this year is Citizenship through Globalisation, This term we are exploring this through the social sciences.

After setting up our class culture in the first few weeks we will consider the way that people in other cultures view New Zealand and why so many come each year to visit as tourists

We will also consider the impact that tourism has on our local economy, environment and culture.



Niki Clegg and Vaughan Smith

Upcoming Class dates:

Pōwhiri Tuesday 12th February - 2:30pm
To welcome, introduce and support new whānau.

Meet the teacher evening Monday 18 February - 6:40 - 7:00
To meet us, find out about how we organise for learning and how you can support your child.

Please also refer to our website, community google calendar and newsletter for regular school events.

We are usually available before school if you wish to have a quick chat, otherwise you are welcome to email us with any questions or feedback.

Warm regards,

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Home Learning

Our home learning system encourages our students to be active learners.

It is based on ROCKS - Reading, Outdoors / Outside, Conversations / Chats, Keeping Up and Service. This year, keeping up includes Basic Facts practice using Sumdog.

Students will have a home learning book or online slide show where they document their home learning to share with the class. We will be setting this up to begin in Week 3.

Wider-Curriculum Rotation

On Wednesday and Thursday, Māhuri hub will be divided into two cross class groups. These groups will do Outdoor Education with Vaughan and Visual Art with Niki.

Vaughan will need some parent help/supervision to do local hikes with the class. If you are available please let him know and he will contact you before our first hike.

Google Accounts

All students in Māhuri receive a google apps for education account that enables them to email, work on shared documents and access our online classroom space. We have updated these for all students over the holidays and they will receive their login information in Week 2.

All students must first sign a net-safety agreement that outlines the purposes for which these are to be used and the students responsibilities in regards to safe use of the internet.