



Māhuri Newsletter

Sprouting Trees

Term 2 - 2019

Kia ora koutou katoa

Welcome back to our Māhuri community for Term 2. We trust you had a safe and enjoyable past 2 weeks. We appreciate the time to take a break from the busyness of school life and spend more time with our friends and whanau and we hope you did too. There are many new learning opportunities coming up this term and we look forward to supporting all children to succeed.

The Māhuri kids had a fantastic time last term on their EOTC experience. All children showed positive attitudes, resilience and a great sense of excitement to experience an overnight stay as a group.

Term 2 Inquiry - Plastic Fantastic?

Our Māhuri inquiry focus for this term is Plastic Fantastic?

On the 1st of July, the government is introducing new regulations around the availability and use of plastic bags. As we transition away from plastic bags, we wish to provoke further thinking from our students about the physical properties of this life-changing material and the impact it has on our world, both positive and negative.

Goal setting meetings

Thank you to all parents who have made time to come into school this week to discuss your child's progress and defining their next learning goals.

We will be sending home a copy of their key competency learning goals in the next few weeks.

If you and your child are yet to have a learning conversation with your child's teacher please email us to arrange an after school time. Monday afternoons are best however we will work to arrange a time that suits everybody.

Welcome Whaea Caitlin

This term we are fortunate to have a Student Teacher - Whaea Caitlin joining us for the first 6 weeks. She has already made a positive contribution to our team in her first 2 visiting days and we look forward to supporting her in her learning.

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.

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 at the end of Week 1. We would like to see everyone's books and progress every Friday.

Wider-Curriculum Rotation

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

Our school Cross Country is being held on Friday afternoon in Week 4 (24th of May). We will be having practice runs daily in the morning from 9:20 - 9:45.

Please ensure your child has suitable clothes and footwear for this. We would also appreciate a couple of parents to help monitor our children running out of school during this time. Please let us know if you are available to help in the mornings.

Google Accounts

All students in Māhuri receive a google for education account that enables them to work on shared documents and access our online classroom space. We have removed email access as the students do not currently need it for their work. Further teaching around the rights and responsibilities will take place before these are restored.

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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