



KAURI News Term 2, 2018

Kia ora tātou,

Welcome back! We hope you've had a relaxing break and some quality time together with your loved ones. We are looking forward to another busy and productive term. As always there is a lot for our students to be involved in and the main dates of these events are below.

There is an art focus this term and we will begin rehearsals for our production 'The Lion King Jr' which is coming up in Term 3. We still require parent help for this as per the notice that went out last term, so please look out for another notice coming soon if you haven't already volunteered, we really appreciate your help. Mid- year reports will come out towards the end of term and there is also an opportunity to meet the teacher to discuss your child's progress. We are really look forward to seeing all of you at these meetings.

Term 2 Main Events:

- ★ BYOD evening (20th June 6.30pm) - children using computers at home and at school. At this meeting, students will be sharing what and how they learn on devices and teachers will be available to answer questions. We will also be having a guest speaker from Family Zone who offer of online software available for parents that monitors what their children are viewing in real time.
- ★ Reports sent home (29th June)
- ★ Student/ Parent/ Teacher Conferences (4th/5th July)

Inquiry :

We continue the year with the concept of belonging and diversity: This term our focus is visual art

The big ideas we will be exploring as a school this term are:

- How can art teach us about others?
- How are feelings and art connected?
- What choices do sculptors make?

Each class will be collaborating to create a sculpture which represents us and promotes belonging to our community?

Term Two Physical Education and Sport:

- PE: Kiwi Sport: Our focus is Turbo Touch, which is sort of a cross between touch rugby and netball. Sessions will be held on Tuesdays starting on the 15th May.
- On the weeks before and after this we will be concentrating on fundamental skills and the importance of maintaining regular participation in physical activities and how these assist in the promotion of well-being.

Assemblies:

Our assemblies will continue to be held on a Monday afternoon on alternate weeks beginning on 7th May. The students in Kauri enjoy playing a big role in organising and planning our assemblies.

This term's assemblies are hosted by:

7th May - Whānau Kotahi

21st May - Te Papakāinga

18th June - Te Papakāinga

2nd July - Whānau Kotahi

Home Learning (Homework)

Home-learning will be assigned through Google Classroom. Our emphasis continues to be on daily Reading and Maths. Kauri students are expected to show responsibility and initiative so they need to discuss their home-learning with you and any extras that they may have for the week. Home-learning will often require a computer and internet access, but please see your child's teacher if this does not work for you. Home Learning will be issued each Monday.

- Maths eAko x 10/15 mins per night

(See this link for information on how you can support your child at home [Using e-ako at home](#))

- Reading x 20 minutes per night

Library

Each class in Kauri has a weekly library day. They are expected to choose 2-3 books at their level to read at home or at school. We encourage the use of a book bag to protect our books during transport.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to discuss these with your child's teacher at any time.

Kind regards

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