



Year 4, 5 & 6 Newsletter Term 3 2018



Welcome back to school for Term Three! We are all excited to see you again and hear about all the amazing things you did during the holidays! We have an exciting term planned with the whole school production at the end of the term.

Library Times

This year library times will be shared with our junior buddy class. This is so our seniors can assist with book selection and issuing, and share stories together. Can your child please bring their library bag so they can take books home to.

- **Room 5:** Tuesday 12.15 1.00
- **Room 6:** Monday 12.15 1.00
- **Room 7:** Thursday 11.30 12.15
- **Room 8:** Tuesday 11.30 12.15

Mathematics

There will be a focus on all number strategies and basic facts knowledge, in relation to fractions, proportions and ratios. We will also focus on time, temperature, weight and basic algebraic skills towards the end of the term.

Reading

We will continue to read a range of fiction and nonfiction texts to further develop decoding and comprehension strategies.

Writing

The children will continue to develop their writing, spelling and grammar skills through poetry, persuasive and character writing this term.

Te Reo

The children will continue to develop their Te Reo skills and knowledge around traditional stories. Rooms 7 & 8 have enrolled for another term in the Virtual Learning Network classes.

Theme

Our theme this year is underpinned by the question "You only have one, what are you going to do with it?" In term three we will explore this through the school production theme of caring for the environment - Forest/Gardens/Land - Tane Mahuta.

Important dates this term

Weeks 2-9: Futsal

Week 4: Parent interviews & school cross country

Week 9: Production practices

Week 10: Whole school production

Whole School Production 2018

This year the theme is focused on how the earth was created according to the Māori Myth and how we need to look after our environment. The Year 4, 5 & 6 focus is: Forest/Gardens/Land - Tane Mahuta. More information to follow.

Homework

Homework this term will remain the same. It encompasses reading, basic facts, spelling and real life experiences. It will go home on a Monday and be returned each Friday.

Stationery

Please check with your children about any stationery they may need. Common needs within the classroom include,

Red pens, Blue pens, ruler, pencil and rubber.

Short Lunches - Early finish

Shortened lunches will continue during Term 3, with school finishing at 2.35pm.

Your friendly Year 4, 5 & 6 teachers,

- Mr Jason Dombroski (Team Leader)
- Miss Wendy Mulligan (Year 4&5)
- Mr Sam Mako
- Miss Angela Hampton