



Ngahere Pānui

Nau mai, hoki mai! Term 2 is another big term for Ngahere with continued and new exciting opportunities. Our inquiry focus will begin with exploring Pasifika culture and then shift to 'Kaitiaki o te Moana' later in the term. It is a term to scrub up on our environmental knowledge and contributions to our whenua. There will be a school-wide waste audit which all tamariki will be involved in. Year 6 will continue to be involved with their 'Te Arotahi' programmes, including Waka Ama and Te Ara Moana in our moana. As well as this, Vivita Toa and Rāranga are run by our local Rūnanga. You also may have heard of the new music programme that kicked off last term. It has been a delight hearing tamariki singing and playing instruments at lunchtimes. Read below for further details. This is also a big assessment term so keep an eye out for key dates with interviews and reports coming out. Karawhiua e te whānau!



Dates

APRIL

- 21st - 24th - Swimming
- 27th - Anzac Day (observed)
- 28th - Inter-school Football Tournament
- 29th - Autism Awareness Day

MAY

- 1st - Triathlon Assembly
- 7th - Tough Guy & Gal
- 12th - Inter-school Cross Country
- 15th - Pink Shirt Day
- 19th - Te Papa trip
- 26th - Inter-school netball

JUNE

- 1st - King's Birthday
- 2nd - Mihi Whakatau 9:15am
- 4th - National Young Leaders Day - Year 6
- 29th - Reports sent home

JULY

- 1st-2nd - Learning Conferences
- 3rd - Term 2 ends 3pm



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What's happening in Term 2?

Maths

We will be continuing our 'Maths No Problem' programme in Term 2. We will finish off our addition and subtraction units, then be moving onto multiplication and division. In the second half of the term, we will be looking at statistics through skills in graphing. To support your child's learning, encourage them to practise their basic facts from 1x1 through to 12x12.

Literacy

We will continue to take a structured literacy approach to our reading, writing and spelling programmes. This will include a mix of whole class and group sessions. In the first half of the term, reading and writing will link to our Pasifika study. They will build on reading skills such as summarising and questioning. For writing we will be focusing on sentence structure to enrich our writing.

Kaupapa Māori

Our second inquiry unit 'Kaitiaki o te Moana' will have a te taiao (natural world) focus. We will read the pūrakau (story) 'Kupe and the Giant Wheke' and then continue to explore the moana and why we need to protect it. We will continue to run our weekly te reo Māori lessons. The first half of the term will focus on classroom language e.g. He aha tēnei? He tūru tēra. What is that? That is a chair.

Music

We are fortunate to have Hazel Fenemor join us again this term. As a trained music teacher, she started music enrichment- an optional class for Year 5-6 tamariki, where they learn music skills.. Last term auditions took place for our kura band, which Hazel now runs Wednesday lunchtimes. The final programme is choir, optional for Year 4-6 tamariki every Wednesday afternoon. We look forward to hearing them perform later this term!

P.E.

PE will kick off with an intensive water safety programme for all Year 5 and 6 tamariki at Cannons Creek Pool. Two classes will go at a time via bus every day from Tuesday through to Friday. As this is only a one week programme, please ensure your tamariki have swimming gear every day. We will then have a 3 week cricket specialist programme run by an out of school organisation.

Reminders

If your child needs to bring a phone to school, it must be handed in to the teacher at the beginning of the day and will be returned at the end of the day. Māra ki te Tēpu will continue to run every Friday morning for Room 7 and 8. Please let us know if you are able to help out this term. This includes supporting cooking in the kitchen and gardening with our tamariki.

The best way to contact with us is by email.

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