



NGAHERE NEWS

• Term 3, 2024 •

Dates

JULY

22nd - Mihi Whakatau
9:15am
23rd - 26th - St John
25th - Rooms 9&11
Onepoto Park Planting

AUGUST

5th - Cook Island
Language Week
16th - Disco
19th - Tongan Language
Week
26th - Mihi Whakatau
9:15am

SEPTEMBER

2nd - 6th - EPro8 Week
11th/12th/16th -
Ngahere/Rākau Pataka
Trip
16-20 Te Wiki o Te Reo
Māori Language Week
24th - Redwood Sports
Exchange
27th - School finishes 3pm

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Kia ora whānau, wow we can't believe we are already halfway through this year.

We are thrilled to begin Term 3, which promises to be filled with an abundant of learning opportunities and exciting experiences. Highlights include Ko Wai Au, EPro-8, and following and learning about the Olympics.

We welcome back Miss Wood who has returned from maternity leave and will be working in the Ngahere team.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS TERM

Olympics

In the first half of this term our Inquiry focus will be on the Olympics. We will learn about the history of the Olympics, the countries involved, as well as the Olympians and the events they compete in. We will be bringing this learning across our P.E, art, and literacy sessions.

We look forward to exploring this topic in classes with our tamariki. Be sure to look out for their key learning displayed on Seesaw!

Relationships and Sexuality Education

In Term 3 Ngahere will be running our Relationships and Sexuality Education programme, as part of the NZ Health Curriculum.

Our programme follows the 'Navigating the Journey' resource created by New Zealand Family planning, which caters for different content depending on student age. We will have lessons three times a fortnight which will be taught by our classroom teachers.

We will be focussing on the 'Growing and Changing Unit'.

Ko Wai Au

This term Ngahere tamariki will be doing Ko Wai Au. Ko Wai Au is a programme which aims to increase resilience among Year 4 to 8 tamariki. Ko Wai Au is delivered in 24, forty minute sessions covering three strands: physical; cultural; and social. Ko Wai Au is influenced by the Rock and Water Programme, teaching tamariki that they have a choice in how they approach any situation; either a Rock approach (non-negotiable stance), or a Water approach (a more flexible response). Either approach may be appropriate depending on the situation. We are very lucky to have the external experts come in to deliver this programme.

Homework

The expectations for homework are outlined below:

Maths-Whizz: Your child is expected to complete three 15-minute sessions per week in addition to their in-class activities. If completing this at home is not feasible, we can accommodate by providing access to computers before school.

Reading Daily: We strongly encourage your child to engage in daily reading at home with books of their personal choice. Consistent reading is key to developing excellent reading skills. The importance of this cannot be overstated. Signing up for a free membership at the Porirua Public Library provides you with access to a diverse range of books for your enjoyment.

EPro-8

EPro-8 is an exciting challenge where children work in teams to design and create machines and objects to meet set objectives. They do this by joining together metal rods and linking up moving parts like gears, and pulleys. Tamariki have to work as a team to problem solve and complete their projects.

The top teams from each class will compete against one another in an exciting showdown. The top 3 teams from our in school event will compete against other local schools in term 4.

Gymnastics

The second half of this term will be a gymnastics focus. We will be focusing on the different movements in gymnastics; rolls, balancing and travelling. We will be working on the mats, using the beams and pommel horse where appropriate.

This unit is part of the SportStart programme. The lessons take between 30-45 minutes each, and they are designed to teach specific skills appropriate to our year levels. Students will refine their movement skills and become more confident using their body.



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