

Nikau Newsletter

Rooms 14,15,16

Term 2 2021

Kia ora tatou. Welcome to term 2!

Welcome

A warm welcome to our new students joining us this term.

School Hours

To help your child settle into class routines, please ensure they arrive after 8:30a.m. but before 8:55a.m. School finishes at 2:55p.m.

School Uniform

Students should be wearing our school uniform with pride. It is important that the correct uniform is worn, however we do understand that there may be times when it is necessary for non-regulation items to be worn. An explanatory note would be appreciated. As we are entering the colder season, students should have a school jumper and a raincoat available. If girls are wearing tights, they must be navy or black. Long sleeves under a school t-shirt must also be plain black, navy or white.

Homework

There will be a homework sheet that comes home each week. All students are expected to complete reading and maths learning each week. There is also a vocabulary activity that focuses on how words work and spelling rules, rather than learning a spelling list.

Context Focus

This term our focus for the first half of term will be Keeping Ourselves Safe,
For the second half of the term we will have a science focus. The classes will take part in a rotation focusing on changes in state, molecules and energy.

Literacy Focus

We will be learning to write narratives with particular focus on descriptive language features such as similes and onomatopoeias. We are also going to be focusing on instructional writing in the second half of the term.

In reading we will continue to build decoding and comprehension skills across the curriculum.

Mathematical Focus

This term we are continuing with multiplication and division. We will move into fractions during the second half of the term. Our strand focus is geometry.

Physical Education focus

The physical education programme includes daily physical activities, e.g. relays, interval training, team games and skipping. We will use our physical activity programme to prepare the students for the annual cross country.

Our skills and games focus is big ball skills and the students will take part in a rotation where they will be learning passing and catching, striking with feet and with hands.

Important Dates

Please keep up to date with upcoming events via our school newsletter and website.

14th May: Nikau Assembly, 9 a.m. school hall

17th May - 21st May: Catch up Swimming Week

3rd June: Book Parade

4th June: Teacher Only Day

9th June: Senior School Cross Country

25th June: Matariki Celebration

7th July: Mid Year Conferences

Communication

If you have any questions or queries, please contact your classroom teacher in the first instance. If you require further support, Steve Anderson (team leader), Julie Butler and Jo Patrick (Associate Principals) or Linda Barton (Principal) will be happy to assist.

Email is a great way to keep in touch with us.

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Kind regards,

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