

Welcome to Manuka

Rooms 11,12,17,18 and 19

Term 1 2022

Kia ora tatou. Welcome to the Manuka Team

We hope you and your child will enjoy being part of our learning community this year.

For Year 3 students it can take a few weeks to adjust to new routines and expectations. Our aim is to support the students to a point where they are gaining independence.

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.

Hats

School policy requires a hat to be worn outdoors during Terms One and Four. **'No hat, no play'** means a child not wearing a hat must stay in the shade areas.

School Uniform

The uniform is compulsory for all students at Long Bay Primary School and we encourage the correct uniform to be worn every day. Uniform items are available from NZUniforms. Please ensure all uniform items are named.

Drink Bottles

Water is a must for hot days; therefore it is recommended that students have a clearly named plastic drink bottle of water.

Home Learning

Home learning will take the form of reading, spelling and maths. Readers will come home during the week and we encourage the students to read these with you at home. On Fridays, students will bring home their poetry books. Please read them with your child and have a look at the activities that go with the poems.

Your child will also bring home spelling words to learn each week.

For maths, we will be using Mathletics. Your child is encouraged to earn 500 points each week.

Teachers will set tasks that practise what is being taught in class.

Book Bags are required at school each day

Allergies

Please don't include nuts or peanut butter in your child's lunch as we have a number of children who are highly allergic to nuts. Thank-you.

Celebrating Birthdays

We like to recognise your child's birthday in the classroom by having their classmates sing Happy

Birthday. Please do not send along sweets or cakes to be handed out.

The Long Bay Way

Each student has a reward book where they earn stickers for following our school values outlined in The Long Bay Way. These will be a focus through our learning programmes. Students who have earned 10 stickers will receive a certificate awarded in assembly.

Our Learning

This term we will receive a visit from Life Education. Manuka team will be tying this in with our school values and will ask the questions; What is the importance of kindness? And how can we show resilience?

For Literacy we will be writing descriptions both for characters and settings before moving onto recounts in the second half of the term.

Each class will run their own programs for maths, meeting the individual needs of the students. For Strand Maths we will be learning about statistics. In physical education we will be concentrating on small ball skills through striking, catching and throwing.

Important Dates

Monday 28th Feb - 11th March - Life Education

Wednesday 23rd March - Goal Setting Interviews

Thursday 14th April - Teacher Only Day

Communication

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

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

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We are looking forward to a fantastic year with our amazing students!

Kind regards,
Manuka Team