

Welcome to Nikau Team

Rooms 20, 21 & 22

Term 1 2022

Kia ora tatou. Welcome to the Nikau Team!

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

For year 4 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.

Masks

Masks must be worn by all students and teachers in Year 4 to 6 classrooms while indoors. We are scheduling frequent mini mask breaks outside throughout the day. Masks do not need to be worn outside.

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. You can also purchase second hand uniform items from our school office. Please ensure all uniform items are named.

Drink Bottles

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

Swimming

While considering the safety of students and teachers we have decided to cancel the scheduled indoor swimming lessons at Northern Arena during Term 1.

Homework

For homework we encourage your child to engage with Mathletics, practise their spelling words and read to themselves or a family member. We also encourage students to start learning their times tables. We will be testing this weekly. Each student will be given a small spelling notebook. This needs to be in their book bag everyday. Glued into this notebook will be their Seesaw code and Mathletics password.

Extra Curricular Activities

There will be opportunities for students to join a range of lunchtime and after school activities (when covid levels allow). Further information will be provided as these activities begin.

Library

Each week the classes will visit the library where students can issue books. Students must bring their book bags on

their library day (Friday). Books will not be issued unless they have their book bag with them.

Allergies

Please don't include nuts, kiwifruit and eggs in your child's lunch as we have a number of children who are highly allergic to them. 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 are looking at Digital Citizenship in order to keep ourselves and others safe when we are online. We will also be learning about the Zones of Regulation. The Zones framework provides strategies to teach students to become more aware of and independent in controlling their emotions and impulses and also helps to improve their ability to problem solve conflicts.

Important Dates

16th March - Goal setting interviews

14th April - Teacher only day

Seesaw

In your child's small spelling notebook you will find their Seesaw QR codes. We have glued in their family code and home learning code. We have also sent home a copy of each QR code in their book bags. Please connect to your child's Seesaw.

Communication

If you have any questions or queries, please contact your classroom teacher in the first instance. If you require further support, Kate Porter (team leader), Julie Butler, Jo Patrick, Liam Carran (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,
Nikau Team