Kauri Team Newsletter Long Bay Primary Term Three 2022

Kia ora Whānau,

This letter is to keep you informed about what your child is learning about over the coming term and any important dates for families.

Learning

Our inquiry topic this term is called 'Trailblazers'. We will be finding out about early Pacific and European explorers and about the early interactions between Māori and Europeans. We will explore our own whakapapa, especially our family's reasons for coming to New Zealand. Students will also have the chance to complete a personal project on a 'trailblazer'. It could be an explorer from their own culture, or someone who was first to achieve something significant (for example, land on the moon, fly, climb Mt Everest, etc).

In art, we will finish off our printmaking unit, then move on to sculpture. We will be going to the Corban Estate Art Centre on the 30th (Rooms 14 and 16) and the 31st (Rooms 13 and 15) of August to complete a clay workshop with them.

The students will be participating in visual art and digital technology for their specialist classes.

Throughout the term, we will continue with the Mitey programme. Lessons focus on recognising emotions, expressing them constructively, and how to seek support from or for friends and family.

In maths, our main focus is on multiplication and division strategies. Please help your child to memorise the times tables and division facts up to 10 x 10. It is important to get these facts learned during their time at primary school. We will work on the geometry skills based around angles and perpendicular/ parallel lines. We will also explore probability and solving problems involving time. Your support with regular Maths Whizz time at home is appreciated. Students are encouraged to complete at least 3 progressions per week.

In PE, we will be focusing on our striking skills and skipping challenges.

Year 6 students will begin their preparations for moving to intermediate schooling. They will be visiting Northcross Intermediate on Monday 8 August.

Term 3 Events: Term Dates Monday 25 July to Friday 28 September

Thursday	28/7	Otago Maths Challenge for specific students
Tuesday	2/8	Auckland Diving Sessions
Monday	8/8	Year 6 students to Northcross Intermediate
Wednesday	10/8	Healthy body, healthy mind day with Tōtara
Thursday	11/8	Rippa Tournament
Wednesday	17/8	Kristin Winter Sports Tournament for selected students
Thursday	25/8	Otago Maths Challenge for specific students
Tuesday	30/8	Rooms 14 & 16 to Corban Estate Arts Centre
Wednesday	31/8	Rooms 13 & 15 to Corban Estate Arts Centre
Thurs/Fri	1/9-2/9	Table Tennis taster sessions
Tuesday	13/9	Sports and Cultural photos day
Thursday	22/9	Mud Fun Run

Week 8: Māori Language Week Week 10: Mental Health Awareness Week



Kind regards,

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