

Room 13
Term 4 2017

Nau mai, haere mai

Welcome back to the last term of 2017.

Some of the things we will be doing this term include:

1. **Hosting the school assembly on Friday 20 October.** Small speaking parts will be allocated to various students and a short 'rap' to learnt by all will be sent home to learn.



2. Learning about **Firewise.** This is a New Zealand Fire Service programme designed to promote fire safety discussions at school and home. Students will be bringing home a booklet with a DVD to talk with you at home as we go through the resource at school. We will be visited in Week 3 by some Fire Service staff. Through our Facebook page I will let you know when and what pages to focus on.
3. Week 5 will focus on **keeping ourselves safe.** November 16 will be the Junior School's annual **Market Day.** This helps to raise funds for our end of year trip.



4. **Whanau Day** is run by the Middle Syndicate this term and will be Week 5 Friday 17 November. As with all other whanau days both parents and grandparents are welcome to attend.
5. **Week 6 (20-24 November) is Book Week.** Book week involves students from all around the school going into whatever room they choose to hear another teacher read to them. We then have a book character dress up parade at the end of the week.



6. Week 7 has Learning Conferences for those students who are due for a written report. These will be the students who received a written report in Term 2.

7. **Week 8 (Dec 4-8)** - there will be a syndicate trip to the beach (more details to follow).



THE FINAL SCHOOL DISCO FOR THE YEAR IS THURSDAY DECEMBER 7.

8. **Week 9 (Dec 11-13) is a short week.** Tuesday 12 Dec is the day that end of year written report go home. The final day Wednesday 13 December is a short day to have a school wide assembly and to celebrate the achievements of our Year 6 leavers.
9. **Number/Maths learning this term includes;**
 - Counting forwards and backwards in 2s, 5s and 10s from any number between 1-100.
 - Addition and subtraction - using equipment, then processing mentally and then writing the equations and answers.
 - Measurement and geometry tasks.
 - Using a number line to add on and also to subtract.
 - Finding half of an even number of objects in a set.
 - Any extra support you can give to your child will be beneficial.



10. Class Facebook page.

In Term 1 parents were invited to join a "secret class group." The purpose if this is for me to share photos of Room 13 activities. The aim is to be positive with any concerns being addressed to me in person, not via this page. We have about half our families registered so if you would like to join us, please send me your email address so I can invite you to join.

11. Class mascot- B.C.Bear.

Every Friday B.C.Bear comes home with some lucky child who can take the bear out and about or stay at home with it.

We now have an ever-growing collection of weekend adventures in our book to share with each other.

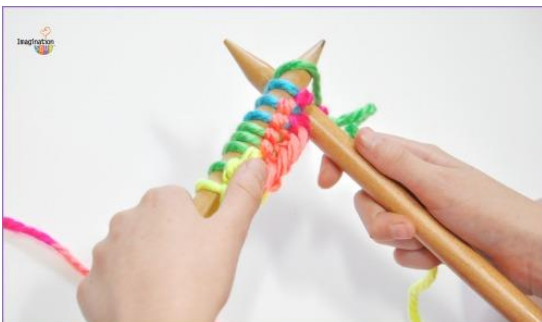


12. Some favourite Room 13 songs that you can find on You Tube for your child to sing along to;

- School is Number One
- Fish and chips
- The wobbly tooth song
- Two legged mice
- Honey Bear
- The Gummy Bear Song
- Can't stop the feeling
- The Duck songs
- Lollipop, Lollipop song,
- Count on Me

Home/school partnership

- If you can, please come in and look at your child's writing book and let them show you around the room.
- Please remember that school starts at 8.45 a.m. After the electronic roll is marked your child will be recorded as late if arriving after this time. Please give this your attention, as it is frustrating to have to repeat instructions to those who regularly arrive late. It also makes your child feel rushed.
- As the books become longer for some students try getting them to read every second or third page to you but read the rest to themselves.
- We are always happy to receive empty cartons and scrap materials for Room 13 to make things with.
- Double knit wool would be particularly handy as we are offering knitting as a buddy class activity



Bye for now folks

From Room 13, Mrs Hancox and B.C.Bear.

