

Welcome to Term Three

We hope everyone has had a relaxing break. The children are talking about all the exciting things they have done over the break.

A reminder that school starts at 8.45. Please ensure your child is here on time, for their learning and the law.

Please remember to name all your student's uniform. A lot of tops are being left in class but we don't know who they belong to as they have no names or names of old owners.



What is happening this term...



Literacy – students' need to continue their home reading, which can be their own choice of book. They are expected to read at least 15 minutes a night and write it in their homework book/reading log, with a comment about what they read. Their reading can be books on the Reading Eggs programme. www.readingeggs.co.nz or books from home, school or the town library. Room Ten will continue to explore a wide range of comprehension activities to help increase understanding of what they are reading.

This term for writing we will be continuing to learn about different language features and punctuation. We will also be looking at different text types for different writing purposes.



Mathematics – The students are continuing to work on extending their number knowledge alongside their numeracy strategies. They are provided with a range of learning experiences in numeracy, and work in whole class and grouped situations with a lot of different equipment. They will also continue to work on problem solving using word problems. Please support your child to regularly revise their number knowledge. We will also be looking at statistics this term. Use this site to support your child's mathematics learning www.nzmaths.co.nz



Arts – This term the middle syndicate are continuing the art rotation so all students get to explore the four arts (Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Art).



PE – later in the term we will be doing gymnastics focusing on balance and rotation.

Health – this term we will be covering sexuality for health using the programme: Ka puawai ka hiki ki te haere. To give you an idea of the concepts covered at the year four level, the learning intentions are listed below.

- Identify and explore how people's attitudes and actions contribute to a positive school environment
- Describe and explore gender roles
- Explore how a positive self-image contributes to a healthy environment
- Identify how students can use their personal strengths in the classroom
- Identify and demonstrate ways of maintaining and enhancing relationships
- Identify and describe how bodies develop
- Describe their emotional, social and physical needs as their bodies grow and develop
- Explain how people in the community can help students and their whanau
- Demonstrate ways to express their needs appropriately
- Demonstrate a variety of appropriate affirmations when listening to others

Homework...

Please encourage your child to pack their bookbag back into their school bag after they have finished their work each day to ensure they remember to return it!

Homework expectations:

- Student's home reading is own choice – they can read the book they bring home from school or they can read something else of interest (including books on the Reading Eggs programme). They are expected to read at least 15 minutes a night and write it in their homework book/reading log, with a comment about what they read.
- Number knowledge – please help your child to continually revise their number knowledge as this needs quick repetition regularly to maintain speed.
- Their poetry book to share over the weekend.

Your child should have their homework book in their book bags every day. Please sign the reading log daily to let us know reading has been done – you may also use this homework book as a means of communication, note any positive comments or concerns you wish to share.

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MPS & Class Expectations...

We will be

Motivated to Learn

We will show

Positive Behaviour

We will have

Successful Relationships



Coming Dates...

Week 2:

Assembly – Room Ten's assembly, at this stage, is on Friday 3rd August, in the hall at 12pm.

Week 3:

School photos – Thursday 9th August.

Week 8:

Have a Go Day – more information to come.

Learning Conferences – Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th September.

Week 9:

Whanau Day – Friday 21st September.

Week 10:

Kapa Haka Festival – more information to come.

Disco – Thursday 27th September 4.30-6pm.

Last day of term – Friday 28th September.

Health and Safety...

Nits – please check regularly as these little critters are always around. Combing hair twice a day and using conditioner can help!

Road crossing – please remind your child that the safest place to cross the road is at the crossing!