

## Welcome to Term Four

The children have settled quickly back into the class routine after their holidays. They have all been sharing their stories of what they have been up to.

Thank you to all who have their hats here ready for this term – they are needed every term 1 and 4.

Please ensure your child's sweatshirts are named as many get taken off over the day as it warms up.

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



## 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](http://www.readingeggs.co.nz) or books from home, school or the town library. Comprehension is an ongoing focus this term as the students move up in levels. We will continue to look at different text types for different writing purposes alongside working on different punctuation.



**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. We will be continuing some statistics work and then we will be learning about position and orientation. Use this site to support your child's mathematics learning [www.nzmaths.co.nz](http://www.nzmaths.co.nz)



**PE** – this term the focus is athletics. The children will be participating in many activities that help them increase their skills in running, jumping and throwing.



**Topic** – we have started week one learning about natural disasters and how to prepare for them. The students have really been enjoying this. We have been participating in a virtual field trip, Whats the Plan Stan, to learn about these disasters. Do talk to your child about your families plans in these situations. The children will then be participating in STEM based activities.

## 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.

## I have a **GROWTH MINDSET!**



## MPS & Class Expectations...

We will be

**Motivated to Learn**

We will show

**Positive Behaviour**

We will have

**Successful Relationships**



## Coming Dates...

Week 2:

**Labour Day** – No school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

Week 5:

**Art show and Book week**

Week 6:

**Middle Syndicate Trip** – more information to come.

Week 7:

**Learning Conferences** – Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

**Assembly** – Room Ten's assembly, at this stage, is on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November, in the hall at 12pm.

Week 9:

**Final assembly** – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>

**Last day of term** – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 12.30 finish.

## 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!