



Room 14
Term 4
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Welcome back. I hope you have all had a relaxing holiday.

A bit of what is happening this term...

 **Inquiry Topic** – This term we are learning about other countries and cultures. Our main focus will be Japan. The children will be learning about the similarities and differences between NZ and Japan as well as learning some Japanese words.

Reading – This is the last term for our class to take part in the Hell's pizza challenge. The children can record their reading at home using Seesaw, which will earn stamps on a Hell's pizza wheel. When they have seven stamps, I will send the wheel home, which can then be redeemed for a child size pizza at Hells. Your child must go with you to pick up the pizza.



I have included the QR code for you to sign in to a special Seesaw page just for reading homework.



Maths – Our first focus is on number knowledge. These are the parts of maths that we need to know automatically without having to work them out such as counting forwards and backwards and basic facts. We will then look at more efficient strategies to use with those problems that we do have to work out.

Sunhats- Term 4 is a compulsory sunhat term. Please make sure that your child has a named sunhat at school so that they are able to enjoy playing in the sunshine. Children who do not have a sunhat will need to play under the verandah and sunshade.



Seesaw – We share lots of our learning and fun on Seesaw. If you haven't signed up yet and would like to, let me know and I can send home the instructions or give you a hand to get it set up.

Homework - Your child should have their homework book in their book bag **every day**. 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 it!

Please pop in and see me if you have any questions about anything, big or small, it's all important!

Kind regards,
Mrs Mandy Smyth