

Welcome to Room 3

Welcome back to a new school year ☺

I would like to welcome all children and families to Room 3. I hope everyone has had a great summer break and are all refreshed and ready for the year.

We have had a great start to the year in Room 3 and love being very close to the sandpit and having deck space to play! Please let me know if you would like to become involved in helping in the classroom during the year, we are always looking for parents/grandparents to listen to children read or help out in the class.

I look forward to working in partnership with you over the year. If you have any queries, please let me know.

Regards,

Our learning this term

For Reading this term your child will bring home a new or already seen book each day. Rereading already seen books helps to practice the successful reading strategies the children have been learning, and helps to develop fluency and understanding. Your child may also bring home basic words to learn.

For Maths this term we will be gathering information about our favourite things. We will be learning to organise and display the information and discuss the results. We will then refresh and continue to build on our knowledge of numbers and the strategies we use to solve number problems. Later in the term we will also inquire into shapes-shapes that we see in our environment; how shapes can be sorted; similarities and differences between shapes; and the mathematical names given to shapes and parts of shapes.

On Thursday mornings until lunchtimes, Room 3 will join the other junior syndicate classes for discovery learning days. This gives the children the opportunities to explore and learn through rich play experiences. We welcome your questions if you need more information, and we would love you to come in and observe, or help support the children during this time. A change of clothes in your child's bag on these days is advisable.

During week 9 (Tuesday 26th - Wednesday 27th March) we will be holding three-way learning conferences for children who have reports due this term. More information regarding these will be in the newsletter closer to the time.

Attached to this newsletter is your child's internet safety permission form. Could you please read and sign this form and return it to me as soon as possible. Year 1 and 2 children do not need to sign the form.

Coming Dates

Miss B will be on release on the following dates: Wed 13th Feb, Wed 6th March and Wed 20th March Mrs Hallett will be in Room 7 on these days. Mrs Hallett will also work in Room 3 on Monday mornings until 11:30am.

Weekly Assembly: Room 3 will not host an assembly this term, but you are welcome to attend school assemblies. They are on Fridays from midday in the hall.

Whanau Hui afternoons: These will be after school next week (Tues 12th and Wed 13th Feb). Your child should have brought home information about booking for these earlier this week.

Wings over Wairarapa: We will be visiting on Friday 22nd February. Please keep an eye for trip notices and information closer to the time.

PMP

PMP will begin for the year on Monday 18th February. Room 3's PMP times are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9.15 until 9.35am. Karen is always on the lookout for parent helpers, so please let me know if you are interested in helping out with this fabulous programme.

Hats

MPS is a sun smart school and sunhats are compulsory for terms 1 and 4. Please ensure students bring their sunhats every day. Sun hats can be any colour but **MUST HAVE A WIDE BRIM**

Swimming

We are very fortunate to have a school pool at MPS. Room 3's swimming time is 1.10 till 1.35. Please ensure that your child brings their togs and towel to school each day. Please also ensure all uniform is clearly named to help avoid mix-ups.

