

Welcome to Term Two

The children have quickly settled back into our routines. They have all talked about their holidays, which they seem to have enjoyed.

Please remember that school starts at 8.45. We seem to have a number of students coming in late, which means they miss any morning notices and the learning needed to complete the morning tasks.



During term 1, we made robots for geometry. We used a lot of cardboard to make our 3D robots. We had to design our robot by drawing it first. Then we had to make paper robots to see if our designs work. We had to make our own nets! Lots of us then needed to make changes before making the cardboard robot as some bits didn't work. We think we put in so much effort that we were exhausted! **By Jaxson and Ashlee**

A bit of 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. Their reading can be books on the Reading Eggs programme. www.readingeggs.co.nz or books from home, school or the town library. Reading in class will continue to have the focus of increasing comprehension – understanding and using what we read. This term for writing we will be looking at ways of including more detail and evidence to our ideas. We will also be continuing to work on punctuation and understanding more basic language features.



Mathematics – The students' have been enjoying our mathematics routine. This usually begins with 'club 100' where students are working on knowing and using their basic facts, with speed. They then work on their word problems where they are learning a range of strategies to solve problems. This term we will also be learning about measurement. This will include length, weight, volume and capacity, area and time. Please use everyday situations to support this learning, for example talking about the time or measurements during cooking. Please support your child to regularly revise their number knowledge and encourage them to work on their tasks on mathsbuddy. <https://www.mathsbuddy.co.nz/>



PE – This term we will be doing cross-country running. Students will be working on their running skills, alongside being able to run for distance.



Topic – *Is there enough water in the world?*

During the virtual field trip last term, room 10 students came up with many questions relating to water that we will be working towards answering. During these studies we will be looking at local legends and stories about water, different cultural beliefs or protocols around water alongside investigating the students questions about water. If any families have information, protocols or stories in relation to water that they are willing to share with us, please get in touch with Jan or Rosemary (or send the information in with your child).

