

## Welcome to Term 3

It is great to be starting this term on site, rather than in lockdown. We do thank you all for your support during distance learning and the different alert levels over last term.

We are continuing to use Seesaw so please do check in to see what is going on. We are working on using it more in class and also for notices to share information with you.

With the weather changing a lot over the day, please remember to ensure your child has appropriate uniform such as a sweatshirt to put on when needed.

We will be doing rippa rugby later in the term, when it is our turn, we will put a message on seesaw. It is good if children bring a change of clothes for this as it can get muddy and wet.



## A bit of what is happening this term...



**Literacy** – students' home reading is own choice. They are expected to read at least 15 minutes a night and write it in their notebooks. The students are at an age/stage to know what their interests are in reading. They are also at an age where we want them to stay interested in reading, so the texts they read need to suit their interests. 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. In class we will be continuing to work on comprehension and understanding the deeper meanings in stories. We will be learning about sentence structures and parts of speech, to help us with our writing. Please support your child by encouraging them to read and write as often as possible.



**Mathematics** – we are beginning the term with number activities, including some fractions, division (splitting groups) and multiplication. The children will be working on extending their number knowledge alongside their strategies. They have been enjoying working on their word problems and finding many ways to solve them. Remember your child has a Maths Buddy login and can work on this at home. [www.mathsbuddy.co.nz](http://www.mathsbuddy.co.nz)

**PE** – This term the school is lucky to be getting free rippa rugby lessons again. Room Ten will be having 3 lessons later this term. We will also be working on our balls skills during our PE lessons.

**Health** - We have begun our sexuality programme, Ka puāwai, ka hiki ki te haere. The children are enjoying learning about self-image, friendships, and their emotional, social and physical needs as their bodies grow and develop.

We are participating in a zero waste programme called 'Reducing the Waste Level'. Room Ten will get 4 lessons over weeks 4 and 5, this term. We are hoping this leads to other learning and projects following the programme. [www.zerowasteeducation.co.nz](http://www.zerowasteeducation.co.nz)

## **MPS & Class Expectations...**

We will be

**Motivated to Learn**

We will show

**Positive Behaviour**

We will have

**Successful Relationships**

### **Positive Consequences:**

(Making the choice to follow the expectations)

- ~ Praise
- ~ MPS rewards
- ~ House points
- ~ Treasure box
- ~ Certificates
- ~ Reward time
- ~ Marbles in the jar



### **Negative Consequences:**

(Making the choice not to follow the expectations)

- ~ Warning and redirection
- ~ Loss of in class privileges
- ~ Time out in another class for 15 minutes  
(a letter will be sent home)
- Consistent or serious rule breaking:*
- ~ Can result in removal from the class  
(for a longer period of time)
- ~ Miss Flannery/Mrs Hallett meets with caregiver
- ~ Principal involvement

## **Book bags/Notebooks...**

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

Expectations:

- Reading for at least 15 minutes a night (to be recorded in their reading log notebook). Sometimes they will have reading from class for this or they can read own choice.
- Their poetry book to share over the weekend.
- Your child will have a login for the Reading Eggs and Maths buddy programmes which they can work on at home at any time.

Our library day is a Thursday – library books must be returned to school on this day, even if it is getting re-issued. Where possible, ensure the library book is kept in their book bag.

## **Coming Dates...**

Week 8:

**Learning conferences** – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September.

Week 9:

**Whanau Day:** Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Week 10:

**Disco** – 24<sup>th</sup> September 4.30-6pm.

**Last day of term** – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April.



## **Health and Safety...**

**Road crossing** – Please remind your children to use the crossing when they need to cross the road. It is the safest place to cross!

**Nits** – Please regularly check for nits as they are always around. If your child has them, ensure to treat them before sending them back to school.