



TITAHI BAY SCHOOL - KURA KIDS are Believers and Achievers

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Te Wana Hub Newsletter

Term 2 2019

Kia Ora to all and a warm welcome to our new whanau. We are looking forward to another busy and rewarding term.

Important Dates

- Powhiri Week 2- 6 May & Week 7 -10 June
- School Photos Week 2 – 8 May
- School Cross Country Week 3 – 15 May
- Queen’s Birthday Week 6 – 3 June
- Home/School Disco Week 6 – 7 June
- School Interviews Week 10 – 1,2 & 3 July

Curriculum Focus

Our Inquiry topics for term 2 are “Exploring Space”, “Keeping Healthy” and “The 5 Senses”

Literacy programmes (Spelling, Oral Language, Writing, Printing and Reading) and Math programmes are taught daily. The afternoon is largely developmental, integrating topic with art, Physical Education and other experiences.

We have a Te Wana Hui (assembly) on Friday afternoons at 1.30 – 2.00. You are most welcome to join us for this.

KURA

We are a PB4L school (Positive Behaviour for Learning) For those of you who are new to our school, we talk about what KURA means. These are our 4 school rules/values and they stand for Kindness, Unity, Respect and Achieve. It is the foundation for social lessons that we work through over the year, and the Programme is a big part of who we are at Titahi Bay School. You can find in depth information on this on our school website.

Homework

Reading books will generally come home Monday – Thursday and their Poem Book will come home on Friday. Please ensure this is returned on the following Monday.

It is important that your child learn their alphabet as quickly as possible to help them in their reading and writing. Please help your child practice any letters that they need to learn.

High Frequency words will be sent home for your child to learn. Being able to recognize these will make a big difference to your child’s reading development. Your child can also practice spelling some of these.

Electives

Beginning in week 2 your child will be involved in an Elective class each Friday for 5 weeks. They will find out what they will be doing shortly. Last term they were able to select 3 options so they will be involved in one of these.

Milk in Schools

Every day after lunch children will be offered a small carton of milk. They do not have to drink this if they don't wish to. If your child is allergic to milk, or if you don't wish him/her to have milk, please let us know.

Clothing

Please ensure that clothing is named and it is a good idea to pack a change of spare clothes especially as the winter terms are wet and muddy!

Parent Teacher Interviews

These will take place on Monday 1st July, Tuesday 2nd July and Wednesday 3rd July. You are to book your time online.

The school interview site is www.schoolinterviews.co.nz Event code is -9e6ah

You will receive your child's report at the interview. School closes early on the 1st and 2nd July at 2pm, and 3pm on Wednesday.

Communication

Please feel free to visit your child's classroom regularly. We value the contact with you. Parent involvement in a child's education is so important, so it is helpful to talk about the things they have been doing/learning at school.

Email is often the most effective way for us to contact parents as individuals and as a group. Please make sure we have your current email address.

Our school website <http://www.titahibay.school.nz/> has information about our school. We also have a Facebook page, if you have an account you can "like" us and you can then see posts, including updates/reminders about a variety of school events.

We can be emailed at:

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Kind Regards

Fiona, Sharon, Kristina, Claire and Ang