

Ngahere Newsletter

Term 1 2022



Kia Ora Ngahere whānau, welcome to 2022 school year! We are excited to be working with your tamariki this year.

IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

- Week 4 Pedal Ready Groups start (see below)
Ngahere Ngāti Toa Bus Trips
- Week 5 Pedal Ready Groups (see below)
Ngahere Ngāti Toa Bus Trips
- Week 6 Pedal Ready Groups (see below)
- Week 10 Thursday 7th April - Noho Marae in school
- Week 11 Wednesday 13th April - Term 1 ends
Thursday 14th April - Teacher Only Day (No school)
Friday 15th April - Easter Friday

TERM 1 LEARNING

INQUIRY / TE AO MĀORI

Our inquiry will be about NZ History with a focus on Ngāti Toa Iwi. We will be learning about important people (Rangatira), and places and events that were significant to them. We are planning to go on a bus tour hosted by Ngāti Toa to show us some important local places. We are also planning to have a noho experience in the school hall in Week 10. More information will be coming about this later in the term. Tamariki will be working on their pepeha throughout the term, and will be sharing this during the noho.

TE REO

Our Te Reo focus will be 'Ko au' (I, me, myself). This will include learning new kupu (words) and phrases linked to ourselves and relationships including whānau. We will also be learning simple classroom commands each week.

NUMERACY

Maths topics for Term 1 are Place Value, Maps & Co-ordinates, Addition & Subtraction and Probability & Multiplication. Number Knowledge gaps will be filled by targeted teaching and the use of Maths-Whizz. Basic facts will be taught and reinforced through games.

WRITING

This term will see our tamariki doing a mix of free choice writing and writing as part of their Inquiry learning. Some styles of writing they will cover are: Reports, Explanation and Narrative.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This term we will be focusing on co-operative games. Through a range of games children will learn skills like positive interactions, group decision making, fair and ethical play and hand to eye coordination. Each class will be a part of the Pedal Ready program learning how to safely navigate the streets on their bikes.

READING

In the first half of the term we will work on developing the comprehension and critical thinking of readers. Students will practice reading a range of texts, and identifying key information and examples to back up their answers.

SEESAW

During the term your child will share posts about what they are doing in class, in a range of curriculum areas.

This year the whole school Seesaw reporting will look like:

Term 1 & 3 - Reading & Writing post showing photo evidence of your child's learning

Term 2 & 4 - Maths post showing photo evidence of your child's learning.

A levelled report will be posted on Seesaw for each child at the end of Term 2 and 4. This will show your child's levels in Reading, Writing and Maths, as well as a general comment from their teacher.

HOMEWORK

The expectations of homework are listed below:

Maths-Whizz - 3x 15 minute sessions a week on top of what your child does in class. If this isn't possible at home we can accommodate by making computers available before school.

Reading daily - We encourage your child to read daily at home with personal choice books. Regular reading is what makes great readers. The importance of this can't be emphasised enough. It is free to sign up to the Porirua public library, which allows you access to a wide range of books to enjoy.

PEDAL READY

The Pedal Ready crew will be back in Week 4-6 to help build students' confidence and competency on their bikes. Students are encouraged to bring their own bikes & helmets for these sessions.

Week 4	Monday 21 Feb - Room 7 & Room 10 Year 5s Tuesday 22 Feb - Room 9 & 11 Year 5s + some Room 8 Year 5s Wednesday 23 Feb - most Room 8 Year 5s Thursday 24 & Friday 25 Feb - Room 10 (Year 6)
Week 5	Monday 28 Feb & Tuesday 1 March - Room 9 (Year 6) Wednesday 2 & Thursday 3 March - Room 11 (Year 6) Friday 4 March - Room 7 (Year 6)
Week 6	Monday 7 March - Room 7 (Year 6)

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He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tāngata. He tāngata. He tāngata! What is the most important thing in the world? It is people. it is people. it is people.

