

Te Kākano Hub Newsletter #17

Term 4 ~ Week 9 & 10 ~ 2019

Merry Christmas



We made it!

What a year we have had in Te Kākano in 2019. We had our first full year in our Learning Through Play philosophy and we are so thrilled to see how engaged our children are in their learning. We moved into our brand new Te Kākano block which has been such a blessing. We have been to several fun events including the Life Education Bus, Selwyn Sports Spectacular and the NZ Agricultural Show. We have celebrated growth and given out almost three hundred certificates. It has been incredible to see your children flourish in our Hub and we hope you can celebrate their progress with us as you read their reports over the next couple of weeks. 2019 has been a big year and we are excited to see what God has planned for us and your children in 2020.

End of Year Celebration Songs

Te Kākano is learning 'Oh what a glorious night' by the Sidewalk Prophets for our show. The whole school is learning 'Little Drummer Boy' by Manna house as our celebration song for the end of prize giving celebration. It would be great if you practised these at home.

Some children may be feeling anxious about prize giving. Please encourage your child that we are having a practice NEXT Monday and they will probably feel better after that because they will know exactly what they are doing. It is expected that all children will participate in prize giving - please email/see Miss Liggett if there are any issues. **We will be leaving at 9am for our Dress Rehearsal on Monday 16th December. We would love it if some parents would be happy to walk down with us and help us get our kids back too.**

The teachers will be taking all costumes down to Rolleston College and they will stay there for the day. The children will be called in after the dinner that night to get changed.

FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM is expected:

- Girls: t-shirts tucked into skorts (no stockings) with hair down or half up/half down.
- Boys: t-shirts untucked, shorts, with brushed, tidy hair.
- Feel free to add glitter to hair or face if your child is an angel.
- The children will not need shoes or socks or sweaters for the performance. Please take these off them when they are called to get changed and look after those for them.

2020 Classes

By now you will have received a notice about what Kōhanga your child is going into next year and who their teacher will be, with a stationery list attached. Please check.

Lost Property

Our lost property is overflowing, please check this daily between now and the end of the term. All unclaimed items will be donated to charity once school finishes. If you are missing something, don't forget there is a 'full school' lost property table under the verandah over by the main building.

Transition Mornings - This Week

Monday 9th December & Tuesday 10th December: Children will be spending the morning from 9:10am-1:00pm with their 2020 kōhanga teachers, in the space their learning will occur. Please keep an eye out for further information about parent orientation that will happen sometime. This time can cause some anxiety around changes. Please be prayerful and proactive in supporting your child during this time.

End of Year Stationery Coming Home

Your children's books that they have been working in this year, will be coming home in week 9. If any of the books are less than half full or haven't been used, keep them and use them again for next year.

Reminders

- Check the lost property and take home anything that is your child's
- Ensure children are going to bed early, as many of the children are very tired
- Do a bag clear out daily as things start to come home from school
- Bring back your child's "All About Me" Sheet by Monday at the latest
- Please bring all reading books back to school. There are **no more readers coming home** from this week, poems will be coming home instead.

Up-and-Coming Events

Week 9	Monday 9 Dec & Tuesday 10 Dec Thursday 12 Dec Friday 13 Dec	2020 Transition Mornings beginning at 9am. Children leave their bags in their normal cubbies. Miss Liggett Leadership Release: Mrs Nuthall in Kōwhai. Family Fun Picnic Day: See School Newsletter for more information. Reports are being sent home during the week via email - please inform the office you have not received yours. Mrs Siave Leadership Release: Mr Smith in Mānuka.
Week 10	Monday 16 Dec Tuesday 17 Dec Wednesday 18 Dec	Prizegiving Dress Rehearsal: TK leaving at 9:00am and walking down to Rolleston College. End of Year Prizegiving: See you and your family at Rolleston College at 5pm for Pizza for a final evening of celebration. TK children will be called in at 5:20pm to get ready for their items. Lego Day: Woohoo - come ready for a fun day of Lego! Christmas Puppet Show: Marty Scheib will dazzle the children after lunch as he shares the important Christmas message. 2:00pm FINISH on the Last Day of School: This will be a relaxed day of tidying up and getting ready for the school holidays.



WISHING YOU
AN ABUNDANTLY
BLESSED HOLIDAY
SEASON!

FROM THE FULLNESS OF
GRACE WE HAVE ALL
RECEIVED ONE BLESSING
AFTER ANOTHER.
JOHN 1:16

Thank you for an amazing
year! We pray God's
blessing on you and your
family over this season.

Mrs Lynda Siave (Mānuka),
Miss Kendra Liggett (Kōwhai)
Miss Emily Langridge (Mikimiki)