



Te Kāhano Hub Newsletter

Term 4~ Weeks 1 & 2~ 2021



Netherlands
Hallo

Nau mai, haere mai - Welcome to Term 4. The TK teachers had a wonderful break after a very busy end of Term 3. We are always grateful for a chance to rest and recharge, while spending time preparing for the new learning that is to come. Overall, we are very pleased with the academic results of our tamariki and hope you can celebrate your child's successes to when Academic Reports are emailed to you over the coming week.

Living Christianly - This term, we will be focussing on **Love (Collaboration)**.

Weeks 1-2 Communicating Clearly

God designed us to be in relationship with Him and others. Communication is an essential aspect of relationship. Christians value clear, truth-filled speech that brings God's word to life. Christian communication should be guided by the Holy Spirit and motivated by His fruits.

Proverbs 25:11 TPT Words spoken at just the right time are as appealing as apples gilded in gold and surrounded with silver.

Ephesians 4:29 GNT Do not use harmful words, but only helpful words, the kind that build up and provide what is needed, so that what you say will do good to those who hear you.

Week 9 - Topic: Fruit of the Spirit - Peace

Memory Verse: So faith comes from hearing the Good News. And people hear the Good News when someone tells them about Christ. **Romans 10:17**

Week 10 - Topic: Fruit of the Spirit - Summary

Memory Verse: But before people can trust in the Lord for help, they must believe in him. And before they can believe in the Lord, they must hear about him. And for them to hear about the Lord, someone must tell them. **Romans 10:14**

TK at the Show - Cancelled

The New Zealand Agricultural Show that TK was planning to attend on Thursday 11th November, has been cancelled. They have offered everyone a 70% ticket refund minus a \$2 administration fee. The organisers have said they are trying to organise "something special for schools" over the next couple of weeks. We will update you with more information as it comes.

Starting Term 4 at Alert Level 2

With cases continuing to fluctuate, TK is preparing for Level 2 to continue for at least the next couple of weeks. With this in mind, it's really important that you ensure your child is prepared for a hotter term.

- **Sun hats** are compulsory in Term 4. Your child's hat must be named and be an official RCS hat (either black version or Turquoise). We will not be able to pass out spare gets under Level 2. No hat, no outdoor play (will need to stay under the shade in main block).
- **Sunscreen** is recommended to be applied before coming to school. Please place a tube in your child's school bag so they can reapply later in the day. Teachers will remind children to apply sunscreen at break times but are limited with support due to Health & Safety guidelines (i.e. going from child's face to child's face isn't good practice). Please. Practice putting sunscreen on at home if your child needs practice.
- **Daily Water Bottle:** Water fountains are closed during Level 2 so it is critical that your child brings a water bottle to school everyday. Please ensure this is named.
- **Seesaw** is the best way to contact your teachers for day to day communication. Please no **not** come onsite unless absolutely necessary. You must sign in if you do. Warning if you are coming onsite is needed as under our guidelines from the Ministry, teachers must be masked when interacting with parents, so if you come on site, all teachers need a chance to get a mask.

Moving On?

We understand that seasons change and your child may be moving on from RCS in 2021. If this is the case, please let us know now by emailing the office (office@rcs.school.nz). As a growing school, it's very important we know ahead of time so we can offer spaces to other families who are wanting to enrol.

University of Canterbury Teaching Students are here

We have two student teachers here with us for 5 weeks of this term. Miss G has returned to Rarahu and Miss Susi Afitu has joined Miss Langridge in Koru. We pray that their time on our school is a blessing and that they learn all they can during the time they have with us.

Learning Conferences

Due to Alert Level 2, these are planned to go ahead but will most likely be digital. They may also take a different format than usual (i.e maybe with Kōhanga teachers instead of each teacher for each learning area). Please keep an eye out for the school newsletter which will let you know of the changes. Koru parents do not need to book a learning conference at this stage.

Mile'stone' Reading at Home

Our hub-wide reading results show that for most children whose parents are consistent with at home reading and signing the notebook, they are making above or expected progress! Yay!!! Please keep consistent with filling in your child's Kluwell Reading notebook.



Reminders

- **Seesaw:** Please send Mrs Ficks an email if you are not on Seesaw or are having any issues at k.ficks@rcs.school.nz
- **Lost Property:** Please email/Seesaw message your child's Kōhanga teacher if you are missing anything. We are steadily filling our lost property bin but understand that Alert Level 2 does make it a bit trickier to come and have a look
- **Name Everything:** It's a good reminder to name everything that comes to school please.
- **Sun Hats: Compulsory in Term 4..** Please ensure your child has a CLEARLY named hat for next term.
- **Reports:** You will receive your child's academic report at the start of next term. It will include the latest data (which we are gathering at the moment), including progress during the last lockdown. You will then book a learning conference with the teacher who teaches your child for each subject (reading, writing, maths). Take note of this on your child's report so you book with the correct teacher.
- **Pastoral Care:** Pastoral care is still very important to us during Alert Level Two, even though parents aren't onsite. Let Miss Horn know if you'd like to chat to us after school or send us a message/email.

Blessings from

**Miss Emily Langridge (Koru), Mrs Kendra Ficks (Mānuka),
Mrs Gabby Nuthall (Kōwhai), Mr Mark Smith (Rarahu)
& Miss Brittany Speden**

Overall Helper Awards for Te Kākano

Congratulations to the children who were awarded overall helper awards for the End of Term 3.



Overall Hope Award: Ella Tuckwood

What an amazing year you have had so far, Ella. The amount of work you have put into your reading and writing has been superb. You are happy to come to lessons and always try to do your best. As a result, you have flown through reading levels and are writing wonderful stories. Your learning in other areas is also going well. Ella, you display Hope in your attitude towards your learning and look how far you've come!

Overall Excellence Award: Aria Harema

What an amazing term you have had Aria. You have made outstanding progress, especially in reading and writing. We have been so impressed with how focused and hard working you are towards your learning, always asking and answering questions with great enthusiasm. You have learned to love writing and work very well independently. It is also great to see how excited you are to share your stories with the teacher each day. Keep up the awesome work - you are showing our value of Excellence when you work hard at your learning!



Overall Love Award: Elsa Shepherds

Elsa, you have a big heart that you love to share with your teachers and peers. You show kindness to other children through the way you speak to them, encourage them, share and include them in your games. You are also very respectful to your teachers and love to help out where you can. You are a wonderful role model and a real blessing to us, thanks for sharing love in Te Kākano!

Overall Excellence Award: Rachel Joubert

Rachel, you have arrived at RCS in the middle of this year, you have changed city and your home. This is a big deal for anybody. Whilst settling into your new life, we have noticed that you have always been gentle, kind and positive. You have made good friendships and have shown that you have a beautiful, gentle nature. Your learning is of a high standard and you go about sharing your learning with others peacefully and constructively. Thank you for your loving and peaceful input to TK.



Up & Coming Events

Week 9	Mon 18 Oct	Student Teachers Begin: Welcome to Miss Aftu and Miss G are joining us.
	Fri 22 Oct	Reports to come out Mrs Ficks' Leadership Release: Mrs Maeder in as usual.
Week 10	Mon 25 Oct	Labour Day: No School
	Tues 26 Oct	Learning Conferences: Keep an eye out on the newsletter for further details
	Thurs 28 Oct	