

Te Mahuri Hub Newsletter Term 2, #2 2019

Kia Ora Parents. We are now well into the term, with lots of learning happening. Just a reminder that Dennis Marshall is still currently recovering and will be coming into school intermittently. Sarah Tennant will be in the classroom until the end of the term. It has been a wonderful few weeks of term so far, we are excited for some more awesome learning and growth to take place!

Maths Learning

In Maths we are working on fractions, ratios and proportions in small groups. We work in rotations where each child gets quality targeted teacher time as well as working on collaborative activities with their peers and also working independently on the Maths Whizz programme. I do encourage all pupils to practice their times tables at home whenever the chance presents itself, as quick recall of multiplication facts are essential to learning in this area of Maths.

L.I.G.H.T.S

Last week the children reflected on their “L” learning, by becoming experts on a topic and creating a pool of knowledge with their team. There was lots of deep learning in these activities, including learning to collaborate, making connections between learning areas, along with giving and receiving constructive feedback. This week the children will decide which area of “Food” they wish to delve into more deeply, looking at alternative solutions to the problems they have already identified.



Cross Country Time Trial, congratulations those in Te Mahuri that made it to zones!

Reading

In reading we are working on reciprocal reading in groups and focussing on 4 key comprehension strategies to improve our understanding of a text. I expect that your children will read at home every night for 20 minutes. We do 15 minutes of independent silent reading every day. This is to build up reading stamina. Please encourage your child to bring in a suitable chapter book from home, so they can be fully engaged in this time.

Spelling

Every Monday children will bring home new spelling words along with two activities to complete. They should then spend until Friday learning those words and definitions. We are focusing on commonly misspelled words.

