

# Te Mahuri Hub Newsletter Term 3, #5 2019

*Kia Ora Parents. Welcome to Week 9. We are now approaching the end of a busy term! It has been a wonderful term so far, I am excited for some more awesome learning and growth to take place as we draw near to the end of Term 3!*

## Circle Time

We have been focusing on emotional regulation. We have talked about the 4 different zones or regulation and what emotions fit into each category. We are also exploring some key steps to control and regulate unpleasant emotions and to be able to 'name it to tame it' which is focussing on having good emotional literacy and understanding of what triggers have caused us to feel a certain way. Feel free to quiz your children on this learning at home- they should be able to relay a lot of information to you!

## Maths Learning

Last week we wrapped up our geometry unit which has been a lot of fun! The children started out with a very limited understanding of the unit and we have ended with everyone in the class now having a comprehensive understanding of 2D and 3D shape properties! Woohoo! Below are some pictures of the children 'peer reviewing' each other's 'thank-you boxes' which was an activity where they were to design their own nets. All were very hooked by this and enjoyed having the opportunity to review each other on mathematical accuracy and design.



## Writing

We are about to wrap up our unit on persuasive writing. We have been working on this most of the term and have really nailed it! This week we are publishing our hard work and then the kids would love to share their awesome pieces with you- they may even change your opinion on something (that was the goal!)

## Spelling

Please encourage your child to be practising their words every night. It is the children who get 6/6 each week who I know have been diligent and persistent in practising their words. Practise makes perfect!

## Reading

We have just started our novel study unit. All reading groups have been given a novel which will become the basis of our reading programme for the remainder of the term and for term 4 as well. It will be wonderful to see some critical and deep thinking being sparked as we jump into some awesome literature.

## Overall

We are focusing on being kind and building up a culture of kindness in our classroom. It is important we create this environment so that our tamariki feel safe, loved and valued at school. Please ask your child each day, "What was one kind thing you did today?"

## Up-and-Coming Events

<b>Wk 9</b>	Mon 16/9	<b>Kelly Sports Day-</b> Teachers on release.
<b>Wk 9</b>	Thu 19/9	<b>SPCA Cupcake Sale -</b> LIGHTS project. Bring along \$2 if you wish to purchase a cupcake.
<b>Wk 9</b>	Fri 20/9	<b><u>TEACHER ONLY DAY-</u></b> No students at school on Friday.
<b>Wk 10</b>	Fri 27/9	<b>Whole School End of Term Assembly-</b> 9.05 am - parents welcome!
	Fri 27/9	<b>Last Day of Term 3.</b>

Enjoying reading our new novels!

