

Te Mahuri Hub Newsletter Term 4, #4 2019

Where has the term gone?

Welcome to Week 7 everyone! As you will see in the upcoming events page, the rest of the term is jam packed with various events/changes to the normal timetable. This is simply the hectic nature of term 4.

While it is a busy time of year, we still have high expectations in the classroom. We have been talking a lot about 'finishing the race well', these last few weeks of term is when as a class we will need to step up in order to do this. This means keeping behaviour exemplary as well as effort into school work right up until the final day. Please also encourage this at home as we do not want the wheels falling off at this point!

LIGHTS

The children have been working away at preparing their digital presentations that will display the journey they have been on in LIGHTS this year. This is a presentation of their learning through the LIGHTS process. In week 9 there will be an opportunity to come in and view these presentations. Most groups in TM have chosen to show their learning through iMovie and some are preparing google slides. The children have loved being able to show their learning in a creative, digital way.

Health Education

As you will know we have started our unit on puberty that will take place on Friday's. We have completed the first session as a whole class and from now on boys and girls will be separated. Dennis Marshall will be taking the boys from now on and focussing on things that are of importance to them. I will be taking the girls. The lessons will be largely discussion based meaning that there will be time to ask open questions, rather than direct teaching. If you still want information on this feel free to email the teacher who is taking your child and they can fill you in. Below are some ground rules we have set as a class in regards to this;

Let's establish some ground rules....

- It is okay to feel excited to learn about puberty.
- It is okay to feel embarrassed/self-conscious or awkward.
- It can be difficult to talk about and it's ok to feel a bit uncomfortable.
- It is okay to giggle- if you need!
- Classroom discussions are confidential and remain confidential.
- We use the correct biological terms.
- Questions are welcome! But refrain from personal examples.
- Respect each other.
- It's okay to pass- if talking in small groups etc.
- It's okay to have fun but not okay to be silly.
- Trust, safety and comfort is our aim.

REMINDERS

A black 'Rolleston Christian School' hat is compulsory everyday. Please ensure your children have applied sunscreen before they come to school - even on those cloudy days. Children also need a water bottle.

Up-and-Coming Events

Wk 7	Whole week	Book Fair Week - help still needed. Please see Cristene in the office or fill in the sheet on facebook.
	Wednesday 27th	Te Mahuri Class Trip to Orana Park.
Wk 8	Tuesday 3rd December	TM Kelly Sports Day - Come in sports gear, and please bring swimming togs or a change of clothes, a towel and a water pistol if you have one.
Wk 9	Monday & Tuesday 9 & 10 December	9 - 12pm Meet your new class and teacher for 2020! (Transition time) St Johns are visiting and running a First Aid programme Children will attend this in their 2020 kōhanga classes.
	Wednesday 11 December	Year 3 - 8 Parent Afternoon 2 - 4pm Parents are invited to drop in and see the digital celebration of our LIGHTS learning that the children have made.
	Friday 13 December	Friday Fun Day - RCS 5th Birthday Celebration More details to follow - families invited for a picnic lunch
	Friday 13 December	Year 8 Leavers Dinner- More information to come to those involved in this.
Wk 10	Monday 16 December	9 - 12pm Prizegiving Dress Rehearsal at Rolleston College End of Year Prizegiving at Rolleston College Auditorium This is a compulsory event. 5pm Pizza provided - bring your own drink 5.30pm Students enter auditorium 6.00pm Prize giving starts
	Tuesday 17 December	Lego Morning 9 - 1pm Children rotate around 4 different lego stations Afternoon in Kōhnaga as usual.
	Wednesday 18 December	Last Day of School. 2pm Finish.