Te Kākano Hub Newsletter #4

Term 2 ~ Week 3 & 4 ~ 2019

Welcome to Nathaniel Mazine (Kōwhai), Flynn Atkinson (Kōwhai), Aria Harema (Mikimiki) and Luke Campbell (Mikimiki). We pray God's blessing over you!

Welcome back to school for Term 2. This is one of our winter terms. Please make sure that the children have adequate clothes at school for outdoor play. We appreciate clothing being well named. Sometimes names get worn and washed off so now's a good time to rename the clothes. Gumboots are a great option for wet days.

Learning Through Play

There are still a number of families that are missing out on seeing their child's Learning Snapshots on Seesaw. Please see Miss Liggett if you need this reprinted.

With the weather turning cooler, we need some more things to do inside. We would love any donations of boxes, felts/pens/coloured pencils, stickers, cards, craft supplies, tou cars and blocks. Please give these to your kohanga teacher or the office. Thanks in advance!



Guided Learning

We are very happy with how most children are progressing in reading and maths. Writing is our big focus this term. We would encourage you to look for opportunities at home where your child can write. Maybe a birthday card or in a journal about your family's weekend activities. There are some changes with teachers as children progress, please see your Kōhanga teacher if you would like to know who is teaching your child for what.

Living Christianly



This Term our focus is Excellence and Hope: As we grow in excellent character, we grow in hope. Over the next two weeks we are learning that "solution seeking brings hope." We are looking at the stories of Daniel & friends eating food and Daniel interpreting Pharaoh's dreams. These are our memory verses for Weeks 3 & 4. We are learning the Cornerstone song bu Hillsong



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OvLxZEU02uI

New Building

Thank you to Jodie Sinclair and Rudi Snr who helped clear out the TK office at the end of last term. We are looking at getting consent to occupy this week from the council, which means the teachers will be able to begin the massive job of sorting and moving resources over the the new building. We have talked to the children about only having what they need over here for a couple of weeks. The children will move into the building on Monday 10th June (Week 7). This means we need your help next week onwards helping us to sort, tidy and move resources from Week 3 (next week)! Even just one hour would be so appreciated! There is a lot of sorting to do and teachers will be balancing this on top of their usual workload and report writing.

Growing in Character

One of the things that is really important for us is that children take responsibility for their belongings. It is important they carry their bags into school and take responsibility for putting books bag away, getting their lunchboxes out, taking their shoes off, etc.

Reminders Kai Time

It is important that your child brings a drink bottle to school every day this term. This prevents them asking to go out in the rain to get a drink from the fountain. Teachers are able to fill drink bottles up in the day as required. Also, a reminder that we are a Bronze enviro-school so we encourage rubbish-free lunchboxes. Please use reusable alternatives (ensure these are named).

Clothing

In Term 2 and 3 hats are no longer compulsory. The PE top may be worn with black leggings or shorts on **Friday only** for PE/whānau groups. Polar fleeces are recommended each day this term - ensure these are named. Please consider velcro shoes if your child cannot yet tie laces. Te Kākano has slippers for children to borrow to keep their toes warm over winter.

Student-Lead Dance Lessons

"This term we are starting a dance club for the juniors. These dance classes will introduce Hip Hop (Tuesday), Jazz (Thursday) and Ballet (Friday) dance styles at lunch break. Our goal for all of the dance classes will be to do a dance a term, for now. At the end of each term we will try to put on a little show for everyone to see a dance.

From Club leader(Zofeya), Teachers (Callie, Chantelle and Gemma)"

Up-and-Coming Events

Week 3		no new events this week
Week 4	Mon 20 May	Library Bus: Please pack your child's Selwyn library card and bag.
	Tues 21 May	Lock Down Practise: There will be a whole school lockdown practise. Children may come home and talk about this. Please see us if you have any concerns.
Weekly	Monday/Tuesday	Meetings: Please be aware TK teachers have meetings on these days, so please pick your children up promptly so we can get ready for these.
	Thursday	Te Kākano Assembly at 2:30pm in Mānuka. We invite you to join us!

Thank You

Thank you to each family who supported 'Donations for a Neighbour' which was a project initiated by Ephraim Sinclair (Kōwhai). A message from Dawn: "To Ephraim and all the lovely children in Mrs Siave's class (that's all of TK!). Thank you all so very much for being so very kind and thoughtful and giving me the wonderful gift of all the fantastic food and the beautiful drawings and letters you all did. The food has been such a huge help and it made me so very happy. You should be very proud of yourselves. Please could you all give your mums a big hug to say thank you from me. Thank you again very much and God bless, love Dawn." Luke 10:27 And, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'

Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart [Psalm 37:4]

Blessings,

Mrs Lynda Siave, Mrs Lynn Alcock, Miss Liggett & Miss Langridge