



Te Kākano Hub Newsletter

Term 3 ~ Week 1 & 2 ~ 2021



Welcome to the start of the new term. We hope you had wonderful school holidays. Term 3 is filled with exciting new things for Te Kākano. We are welcoming a new teacher, opening a new classroom space and starting a new Kōhanga. These are all signs of significant growth for us and we are excited to be able to bring more Christian families into our school.

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

This term we will be exploring our faith through the lens of Love (Collaboration). The topics we will cover will be:

Working with each other as a team (working independently as a team)

Christians should be mindful of how we relate and interact with each other. We are called to build up and support each other in all we do. This means we need to talk, listen and contribute to each person growing in Christ through love and working together as a team with each person playing a part according to their strengths.

1 Corinthians 12:27-27 ESV One Body with Many Members

Ecclesiastes 4:9 TLB Two can accomplish more than twice as much as one, for the results can be much better.

Interpersonal and team-related skills

Christians are called to value and love one another, acknowledging that everyone can contribute and be heard. We bring Glory to God when we work together esteeming each other, and showing fruits of the Spirit. We celebrate our growth.

Philippians 2:3-4 TLB Don't be selfish; don't live to make a good impression on others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourself. 4 Don't just think about your own affairs, but be interested in others, too, and in what they are doing.

Social, emotional and intercultural skills

God has made us all different and we need to respect and value our uniqueness and the uniqueness of others. Christians seek to have a good understanding of who they are in God, therefore they can form positive relationships with others and grow in social and emotional maturity.

Colossians 3:12-13 TPT You are always and dearly loved by God! So robe yourself *with virtues of God*, since you have been divinely chosen to be holy. Be merciful as you endeavor to understand others, and be compassionate, showing kindness toward all. Be gentle and humble, unoffendable in your patience with others. 13 Tolerate the weaknesses of those in the family of faith, forgiving one another in the same way you have been graciously forgiven by Jesus Christ. If you find fault with someone, release this same gift of forgiveness to them.

Understanding my team and solving problems (Managing team dynamics and challenges)

Christians are taught in the Bible to handle disputes in a loving manner, with a goal of restoration. Robust discussion around a difference of opinion is a life skill, building both courage and clarity. We should be able to express our own points of view, explore and discuss different opinions and come to agreement, or agree to differ in peace.

2 Timothy 2:23 NIV Don't have anything to do with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels.

Proverbs 27:17 NIV As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another

New Kids, New Teacher & a New Classroom

Te Kākano is expanding. It has been a very exciting season for TK where we have an abundance of children wanting to start in our Hub. We now have a waiting list which is growing every week and we are enjoying the new challenges that are coming with an expanding roll.

To accommodate for the new children starting with Miss Langridge in Koru this term, Koru will be using the current Rarahu space from the start of Term 3. Rarahu will be moving into the converted classroom at the back of the garage. The children's cubbies have been moved to the back of the sports shed. Te Kākano is also blessed to have Miss Brittany Speden join our team. She is a recent graduate and will be supporting us with curriculum groups.

Welcome to all of the beautiful families and children who are joining us this term. We pray that you find your place of belonging here. Remember to ask questions if your not sure about something :)

Mile'stone' Reading at Home

Read, Read, Read at home = Success and confidence in the classroom! Please make sure you sign each night that you read with your child, including the weekend library books (which can be shared reading).

Cultural Responsiveness

Mrs Ficks is looking into how we can support the transition to school processes for our families that are speakers of languages other than english or have experiences that differ to the 'typical kiwi upbringing'. Please keep an eye out on your emails for a survey where we would love your honest input/feedback.

Speakers of Other Languages

We are currently looking for people who speak languages other than English, to help us translate/input into a couple of our documents that we use in our transition to school process. If this is you, please email/Seesaw message Mrs Ficks and let her know if you can help with this.

Reminders

- **Slippers are welcome here:** Please name them if you bring them in.
- **Te Kākano at the Show':** Check your emails, and answer the survey, if you'd like to come to the NZ Agricultural Show as a parent helper.
- **Spelling** is now being done in writing groups. This means that words will come home on a Monday.
- **Library books** will be collected from children each Monday.

Up & Coming Events - Week 1 & 2 Events

Week 1	Mon 26 Jul	Welcome to all of the new children joining TK! Spelling notebook should be with their teacher: We are now handing spelling out on a Monday. Hand in Library Books: These will be collected in every Monday, after weekend reading.
	Wed 28 Jul	Mrs Nuthall Reading Recovery training: Miss Speden in Kōwhai
	Fri 30 Jul	Mrs Ficks Leadership Release: Mrs Maeder in Mānuka TK Assembly from 9:05am-9:35am: Everyone is welcome to attend while at Level 1 - not at Level 2. TK visits RCS Library: Please bring back library books each week so your child can get new books for their Saturday/Sunday reading.
Week 2	Mon 2 Aug	Spelling notebook should be with their teacher: We are now handing spelling out on a Monday. Hand in Library Books: These will be collected in every Monday, after weekend reading.
	Fri 6 Aug	Mrs Ficks Leadership Release: Mrs Maeder in Mānuka TK Assembly from 9:05am-9:35am: Everyone is welcome to attend while at Level 1 - not at Level 2. TK visits RCS Library: Please bring back library books each week so your child can get new books for their Saturday/Sunday reading.
Weekly	Mon & Tues	Meetings: Please be aware TK teachers have meetings after school on these days, so please pick your children up promptly so we can get ready for these.



Blessings from

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