

## Te Mahuri Hub Newsletter #1 2021

Totara - Rātā Growing Christ-like, Creative, Critical Learners



## Welcome back to school for 2021 !!

Mrs Cleave & Mrs Manson are excited to be back at school after a refreshing break. This year Te Mahuri is two kōhanga (classes), Rata & Totara, with all the students from Year 6 - 8. Although we are two kōhanga, we are a hub first and foremost. Your child may be taught by both Mrs Manson & Mrs Cleave. For pastoral care or any concerns, please speak to your child's kōhanga teacher first. As this is the first newsletter, we thought we would keep it simple and focus on the basics.

## Getting back to basics...

What does this mean? To us it means doing the basic expectations for learning and behaviour well so there is a solid foundation for character and academic growth. This includes.... We would like to introduce to you our teacher assistant Mrs Mundt, who will be working in small groups with students between 11.30 - 1pm. Monday - Thursday. We are blessed to have her help accelerate our tamariki's (children's) learning.



**Uniform:** Wear the correct uniform all the time.

**Shoes:** Please take these off at your kōhanga door. They are not to be worn inside.

**Punctuality**: School starts at 8.55am and always begins with hui (meeting) time in kōhanga (classes). This is an important time as it helps students settle and sets a positive, calm approach to the day. When students are late, they miss this time to connect with the teacher, their peers and what is happening during the day.

**Learning Time at school:** It is important that students make the most of their independent learning times during reading, writing and maths. Students that READ during silent reading, improve their reading! We will be helping students to grow in this area through accountability.

**Communication with whānau (family):** Please come and talk to us first if you have any curious questions or concerns. We partner with you in your child's education.

## Upcoming Events

| Week 2<br>Monday<br>8th February                              | Public Holiday - observing Waitangi Day<br>School closed  |
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| <b>Week 3</b><br>17th - 19th February<br>2021                 | Te Mahuri Camp to Glentui Meadows   |
|   | Our camp is drawing near!   |
|   | Over the next few weeks we will be doing some<br>pre-camp learning, looking at the camp timetable,<br>reviewing the student contract and generally<br>familiarising the students with the camp plan and<br>expectations. If you are a parent help or have<br>volunteered to help with transport, you will be hearing<br>from us soon. |
| <b>Week 4</b><br>Thursday 25th<br>February                    | <b>Te Mahuri Learning Conferences (Year 6 - 8)</b><br>These will take place between 9am - 6pm. Please note<br>due to camp they are a week later than the rest of the<br>school.   |
| <b>Week 9</b><br>Thursday<br>1st April                        | Teacher Only Day - no school  |
| <b>Week 9 - 10</b><br>Friday 2nd April -<br>Tuesday 6th April | <b>Easter Holiday - no school</b><br>School opens again Wednesday 7th April.  |
| <b>Week 11</b><br>Friday<br>April 16                          | Last Day of school for Term 1   |
| <b>Term 2</b><br>Monday 3rd May                               | First Day of Term 2   |