



# Te Mahuri Hub Newsletter #5 2021

Totara - Rātā

Growing Christ-like, Creative, Critical Learners



This week's bible verse: **Matthew 21:10 (ICB)**

*Then Jesus went into Jerusalem. The city was filled with excitement. The people asked, "Who is this man?"*

## Circle Time

For Circle Time this term we have had a big focus on Managing Emotions. We have looked at awesome topics such as; managing and exploring worries, escalating emotions, deep/diaphragmatic breathing, reacting to big emotions, and building positive friendships. Circle Time is an opportunity once a week to work on building up a bank of social/emotional skills. Our goal is to equip all our children with skills and knowledge in their 'tool belt' so that as they grow and develop, they will always have a belt filled with helpful tools to use. I feel blessed that our Circle Time lessons help the children grow in their emotional intelligence while at school. Some of my favourite things to teach have been looking at the proper technique for belly breathing as well as considering worry versus reality. Through a series of questions, the children were encouraged to explore the most likely outcomes for their worried-about situation, rather than the worst imaginable outcomes.

-Sarah Manson

**Happy Easter!**  
**Wishing all our families a safe Easter Break and a blessed time of reflection on what Jesus has done for us.**



Mrs Cleave and Mrs Manson

# Better basics.....

**Uniform:** Wear the correct uniform all the time. Hat must also be school hats.

**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. Helping your child to find a book of interest is one way you can support them in their reading.

**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

<b>Week 9</b> Thursday 1st April	<b>Teacher Only Day - School Closed</b>
<b>Week 9 - 10</b> Friday 2nd April - Tuesday 6th April	<b>Easter Holiday - School Closed</b> School opens again Wednesday 7th April.
<b>Week 11</b> Monday 12th April	<b>Silver EnviroSchool Celebration</b> Assembly plus a shared lunch in hubs - details out soon
<b>Week 11</b> Thursday 15th April	<b>Kelly Sport for Te Mahuri (Morning)</b> Teachers on CRT - Term 2 Planning
<b>Week 11</b> Friday April 16	<b>Last Day of school for Term 1</b>
<b>Term 2</b> Monday 3rd May	<b>First Day of Term 2</b>

