

Te Pihinga Hub Newsletter #12

Term 2 ~ Week 11 ~ 2020

Kia ora e te whanau! We are really feeling the affects of the best and worst of winter now. I hope you are able to find joy in this season as we head into the last week of a big term.



It's the little things that count: In TP we are readying our children for the next part of their learning journey. There are some expectations that appear small but for the bigger picture to emerge we need to be good at these small things. As we head towards the holidays we are encouraging each other to:

- **Be kind to everyone**
- **Wear the correct uniform to school**
- **Have pencils and books ready for learning at the beginning of each session**
- **Be in the right place at the right time**
- **Shoes (hats and coats) off inside**
- **Paper towels put in the rubbish bin after washing hands**
- **Packing up after we have played**

Reports: By now you will have received your child's progress report. If you haven't please check your spam folder first and then contact the office. Learning Conferences will be early next term.

Home time:

See you at 3pm at the gate or outside your child's kōhanga door for pick up.

Assembly: We are now having assembly with Te Mahuri and would love you to join us at 2:20pm on Wednesday afternoons from next term onwards. We will endeavour to let you know if your child is receiving a certificate.

Curriculum focus: Circle time

In TP we have circle time with our Kōhanga on a Friday morning. The main aim of circle time is to build a class culture that is restorative in nature. It's a wonderful time for bringing up social issues that the children may be experiencing and teaching them how they can solve problems in a restorative manner. Our kōhanga has had a theme of Growth mindset and recently we have explored the concept of grit and determination. When we respond to constructive feedback our brain actually grows and we learn in that moment.

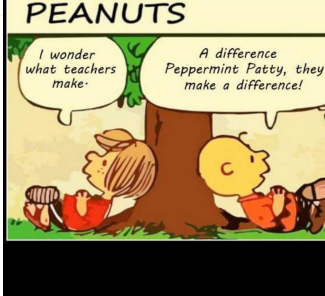
Living Christianly: As we have rounded off our theme for the term of creativity with *looking for and taking opportunities*, we have been looking at Proverbs 16:8, that it is better to be poor and do what is right, than be wealthy and unfair. In the children's world this applies to games they play or opportunities they come across in daily life.

The verse we have been exploring this week is Philippians 4:2; Look not only to your own interests but also the interest of others. This also ties into thinking about how our actions affect those around us and how we are happier and the environment we create around it is much better when we consider others and always do what is right, even if we lose out in the short term.

Reminders

- It's winter, please feel free to have slippers for children to wear at school and gumboots for wet days and Friday whanau group.
- Please have a **named** water bottle for school as it can be tricky getting to the water fountain in foul weather.
- PE gear can be worn under the uniform ready for PE lessons on Mondays and Whanau group on Friday.
- Please insist on the correct uniform being worn to school. This includes **black shoes, black socks, long hair tied back, black tights or base wear for under the shirt.** Also, *only* school hats which are compulsory in the first and fourth term of the year.

Up-and-Coming Events

<p>Week 12</p> <p>Monday 29th June</p> <p>Tuesday 30th June</p> <p>Wednesday 1 July</p> <p>Thursday 2 July</p> <p>Friday 3 July</p>	<p>Week 12 begins</p> <p>Library is closed for book covering</p> <p>Mrs Thirkell teaches for Mr Red in Matipo</p> <p>Full school assembly</p> <p>Last day of the term, RCS cross country day!</p> <p>Whole school cross country 12-3pm</p> <p>Wear whanau group colours</p>	
<p>School Holidays:</p> <p>Monday the 6th of July-Monday the 20th of July</p>		<p>Enjoy your winter break! Look forward to seeing TP rested and restored ready for learning at school on Monday the 20th of July.</p>
<p>Weekly</p>	<p>Monday/Tuesday</p> <p>Wednesday</p>	<p>Meetings: Please be aware all teachers have meetings on these days, so please pick your children up promptly so we can get ready for these.</p> <p>Wheels day means children are able to bring their skateboards, scooters, bikes etc. to play on at break time.</p>



Blessings,

- Mrs Lynda Siave - Horoeka
- Mr Ira Redepenning - Matipo
- Mrs Anna Thirkell- Wednesday Matipo
- Mr Dennis Marshall: Thursday in Horoeka
- Mrs Beth Marlin: Teacher assistant



