

Te Pihinga Hub Newsletter #13

Term 3 ~ Week 1 ~ 2020

Welcome to term 3! Hopefully you have had a wonderful winter break and like us, are looking forward to spring!

Afio mai: (welcome) Junior Sopoaga!
Haere ra: Millie Herewini and Abigail Tong

What's happening this term

- Mr Red is away on maternity leave for this week and will be back again in week 3.
- Parent conferences are on in Week 2 (Tues/Thursday).
- Swimming is this term from 17th-28th of August, weeks 5 & 6.
- Miss Lineton from UC is with us until week 6.
- Mrs Swift is volunteering on Mondays and Thursdays for a couple of hours to assist with reading.
- Mr Marshall and Mr Smith are running an accelerated learning in maths programme for some TP and TM students (you will be notified if your child has been chosen to do this).



Thank you: Thank you Mrs Thirkell for relieving in Matipo for the first two weeks of the term! We look forward to seeing Mrs Thirkell regularly on Wednesdays after week 3. We are also blessed to have Miss Lineton, a teacher trainee from the University of Canterbury with us for another 4 weeks.

Assembly: We are now having assembly with Te Mahuri and would love for 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 by email.

Curriculum focus

Reading: Our TP children in general love reading. We have silent reading, guided reading in groups and independent reading activities everyday. Fostering a love of reading is really important at this stage as they begin to develop the skills to learn to read for meaning and information. Below is a snippet that sums up what most children in Te Pihinga will need to become successful readers:

Adequate progress in learning to read English (or any alphabetic language) beyond the initial level depends on:

- having a working understanding of how sounds are represented alphabetically
- sufficient practice in reading to achieve fluency with different kinds of texts
- sufficient background knowledge and vocabulary to render written texts meaningful and interesting
- control over procedures for monitoring comprehension and repairing misunderstandings
- continued interest and motivation to read for a variety of purposes

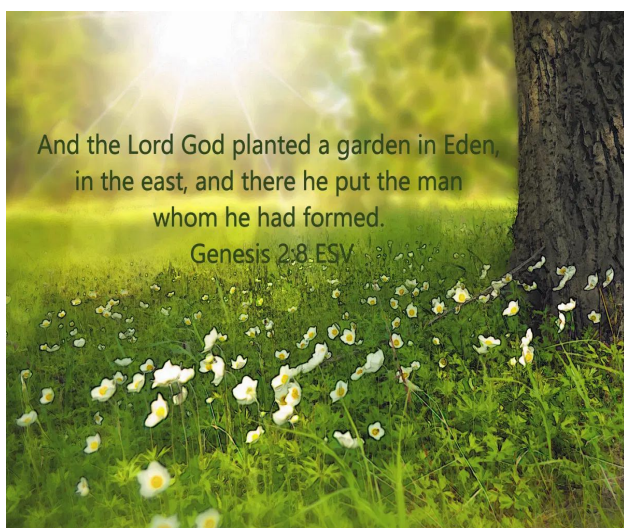
Living Christianly: This term we begin with the story of Genesis. Our theme is 'the earth sustains the life'. It is God's creation and He has commissioned us to be his stewards (kaitiakitanga) of it. "Our goal is to work together with God for the renewal of all things...to run it on his behalf" until our hope is fulfilled.

Reminders

- **ALL clothes must be clearly named. Do a name check this week as sometimes the name rubs off with the constant washing and wear.**
- 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. There are some funky beanies in school colours for sale in the office if your child needs one!

Up-and-Coming Events

Week 2	Monday 27 July Tuesday 28 July Wednesday 29 July Thursday 30 July Friday 31st July	TP has library book exchange every Monday at 11am. Learning conferences after school Assembly at 2:20pm Learning conferences, school finishes at 2pm Whanau group day
Week 3	Monday 3 August Tuesday 4 August Wed 5 August	Mr Red returns Library book exchange for TP children SCZ netball Year 0-4 Hillview cross country (only for those who get a place in school cross country) Assembly
Weekly	Monday/Tuesday Wednesday	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. Wheels day means children are able to bring their skateboards, scooters, bikes etc. to play on at break time.



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



