

Te Pihinga Hub Newsletter #15

Term 3 ~ Week 6/7 ~ 2020

Half way through swimming! Thank you one and all for supporting us in our level 2 response. We're getting good at taking care of each other in this phase.



What's new?:

- Miss Lineton leaves us to continue with the rest of her study. She's been a real blessing to us all in TP. Thank you Miss Lineton!
- The full team are back: Mr Red, Mrs Siave, Mrs Thirkell on Wednesdays and Mr Marshall on Thursdays.
- We have a volunteer who helps some children with reading on Mondays and Thursdays. Welcome Mrs Kirsten Swift.
- One more week of swimming.

Swimming: Week 5&6

MUST haves...

- **Clearly written NAMES on ALL clothing (includes swimwear, uniform, towel, goggles, shoes, socks etc)**
- **A towel and swimwear (one piece for girls please, bikinis aren't appropriate for school swimming)**
- **A plastic swimming bag separate from the school bag for swimwear/towel etc that can be easily carried (we walk down to the pool)**
- **A waterproof jacket (named) for rainy days**
- **A water bottle and extra lunch**

May haves...

- **Named goggles and swimming cap**

Can you help?

Horoeka leave school at 12:30 pm for a 1 pm lesson and return at 1:45pm.

Matipo leave school at 1pm for a 1:30pm lesson and return at 2:15pm.

We will need a little bit of help with walking to and from the pool. If you can spare some time to help with your child's kōhanga then please let Mr Red or Mrs Siave know before next week.

Curriculum focus - How school will look in level 3 for Te pihinga students?

This term has seen the children really cement their routines for the core subjects. If we should need to go to level 3 lockdown again the teachers would expect most of the children would cope well by doing the same type of activities at home. This is the plan should we need to go to level 3 again:

Reading: Children would have the choice boards plus a variety of books/journals from school to support these. They are also familiar with filling a reading log in each day at school after silent reading.

Writing: Spelling words and matrix (this is already up on seesaw), quick writes would be put on Seesaw for students to complete one each day, handwriting would be a memory verse also on our seesaw each day.

Maths: A plan from the NZ maths site to follow that includes games to play, activities to do and access to e-ako (an online programme) and of course those who have paid would continue with Maths Whizz.

Mr Red and I would continue to support with class zoom meetings and read n feed.

Living Christianly: A guide will be put on Seesaw for you as a family to do devotions together following the RCS long term plan.

LIGHTS: A guide to do a mini project at home will be set on Seesaw too.

BE prepared: You may like to get your child a couple of exercise books, pens, crayons, pencils, glue sticks, craft supplies and put these away. Get yourself back onto seesaw and start using it again to familiarise yourself with it. Practice looking through it with your children. The spelling is being put up each week now and there is a matrix of ideas that children can do for home learning of spelling.

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 6	Monday 24 August Tuesday 25 Aug Wednesday 26 Aug Thursday 27 Aug Friday 28 August	TP has library book exchange every Monday at 11am. PCG spellathon word lists forms go home. Parent Evening - Supporting your child in a Digital Environment with Mana Ake No assembly because of swimming & level 2 Mr Marshall teaching in Horoeoka, Mrs Siave on release Mrs Siave out at a leadership workshop all day
Week 7	Monday 31 August Tuesday 1 Sept Wed 2 Sept Thursday 3 Sept Friday 4 Sept	Library book exchange/ LIGHTS Immersion week Library book exchange for TP children/Leadership day for staff Assembly, 2:20pm
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.

Living Christianly: A global perspective

God calls us to love our neighbour as we love ourselves. This means we demonstrate love to all people in the world, near and far. **Matthew 25:40 NIV** The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

Week 6:

Theme: We love other people no matter who they are and what they have done.

Story: Woman at the Well

Week 7:

Theme: Sometimes we need to be brave to show love to others.

Story: Ananias goes to Saul/Paul in Damascus

Memory verse: 1 John 3: 17-18



Blessings from the Te Pihinga staff,

Mrs Lynda Siave - Horoeoka

Mr Ira Redepenning - Matipo

Mrs Anna Thirkell- Wednesday Matipo

Mr Dennis Marshall: Thursday in Horoeoka

Mrs Beth Marlin: Teacher assistant/ELL



Te Pihinga are using digital technology to expand their vocabulary by looking up the definitions of their spelling words.

