

Room 2 Term 2

Newsletter



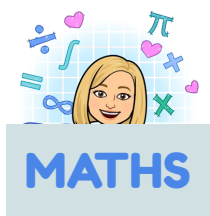
Greetings



Welcome back after what I hope has been a fun and also relaxing holiday. We have another action packed term ahead.

We kick started the term with School Camp last week. What an amazing day Room 2 had. It was humbling to see the teamwork and encouragement between the children and comfort zones stretched. Thank you to everyone who supported with Camp.

Below is an outline of what has been planned for this term. The first couple of weeks will have a focus around our Camp and then revisiting the Mangatawhiri Way, reconnecting with our buddies and reinforcing classroom and schoolwide routines.



This term in Maths we will be covering Money, Number and Geometry.

Money:

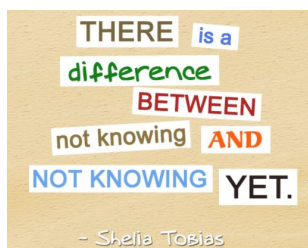
- Recognising and ordering coins and notes.

Number:

- Number knowledge
- Addition & Subtraction
- Place Value

Geometry:

- 2D and 3D shapes
- Describing and sorting shapes using face, edge and corner.
- Constructing 3D shapes



LITERACY



We continue on our journey with Cracking the Code. It is so important that we make sure the foundation is firmly cemented in place before moving on. Therefore, some children may be repeating sounds, spelling words and decodable texts. We want to make sure they have these concepts firmly in place. The process we are working through is fluency at the letter level, word level, sentence level and then book level.

Please continue to support your child with their Home Learning daily by way of spelling (sounds and/or words), decodable texts, decodable sentence strips or Seesaw tasks. This term, our Poem of the Week will come home on a Thursday (not Friday). Just a reminder that this text is not something we expect the children to read to you even though they may remember it from our class lessons. It is a chance for you to enjoy the poem as a family and perhaps the children could share the tune or moves with you. We can not stress enough, the importance of reading to your child.



We have Youthtown this term and the main focus will be fundamental skills such as running, jumping, throwing and catching. During class lessons we will be putting these skills into practise in different games. We will also be doing Gymnastics with a range of stations at the hall such as: balancing, rolls, leaps, landings & handstands.

"Children are made readers on the laps of their parents."

Philip Buchwald



Our topic this term is **Relationships**. Relationships are the way in which two or more people interact. We will take a look at how our actions and words impact on others and in turn are impacted upon by others. One of the key focuses will be on the need to take responsibility for our own actions and effective ways to communicate our feelings. We will be linking this into our Mangatawhiri Way and Class Treaty which the children worked to create early last term. During the term we also have a visit by the Life Education Van and the very popular Harold.



We like to communicate as much as possible between home and school. Here are some ways we do this:



Skool Loop

Search for the Skool Loop App in your app store, download and choose Mangatawhiri School. This app allows any school notices to be sent straight to your phone.



Seesaw

This is an online portfolio of your child's learning. It continues throughout your child's time at our school and can be downloaded. This is well and truly up and running and it is always nice to get parental involvement on Seesaw. Some home learning tasks are set on Seesaw and it is also the way we report on your child's learning so it is very important that you can access this.

Weekly Class Emails

I will continue to send weekly class emails on a Friday. Please ensure the office has your correct email address and let me know if you aren't receiving them. If you would like more than one family member to receive these please let me know the other email address.

Weekly Newsletter

Our School Newsletter comes out every Monday. It is your choice on how you wish to receive this - hard copy, email, access on Skool Loop or School Website. Please make sure you read this.



10th May Sign Language Week

17th May Road Safety Week

7th June Queen's Birthday

8th June Book Week

28th & 29th June 3 Way Conferences

28th June X-Man here for 2 weeks

9th July Term 2 Ends

26th July Term 3 Starts

****Keep a look out in the weekly school newsletter and my Friday emails for further info and dates.***

Other things to NOTE:

- Our Library day is WEDNESDAY
- Bring a drink bottle every day with water.
- Bring book bags every day.
- Name EVERYTHING!
- Hats are not compulsory in Term 2 & 3.

I realise there is a lot of information to take on board so if you have any concerns or queries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Here's to a fantastic Term Two full of lots of learning and fun opportunities!
Kind Regards

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