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Welcome to week 9 of term two.

You will notice in this letter are a number of notices concerning the start-up of various sports for our children. We are very excited about children getting back into sport and exercise and we would like as many of our children as possible involved in sport. After being locked down for so long, I am encouraging our families to get children back into sporting activities.

As we are still operating at Alert Level 2, we will continue with our procedures for the start and end of school, as well as the procedures for accessing the office, just as we have done for the past few weeks. Thank you for your support with this.

If there is a change to the Level from 2 to 1 after today's announcement, I will send home information via our App informing parents what that will mean for our school going forward.

### **COVID - 19 (Corona Virus) Reminder**

- We ask that you do not send a sick child to school. If we discover that any child is sick and showing flu like symptoms you will be asked to pick him/her up immediately. If your child has flu like symptoms, he/she needs to be assessed by a doctor and then tested for Covid 19. Phone Healthline for advice
- **We also ask that parents or caregivers do not come into school.** You are welcome to phone or email the school or your child's teacher.
- **If you have not already done so, please sign up to your child's See Saw account as a matter of urgency.**
- See Saw, our school's digital platform, will continue to be used to ensure that we can communicate with families and to support your child's learning both at school and at home.

### **Healthline**

**Healthline has set up a dedicated 0800 number specifically for health-related calls about COVID-19 (novel coronavirus):**

- The number is 0800 358 5453

### **SCHOOL APP**

The School App can be downloaded for free from the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store. This app allows you to access the school newsletter, report your child's absence and access to key dates and to receive important alerts from the school. Please download this app to your phone as it will become one of the important parts of our emergency contact procedure should we ever need to use it.

Enjoy the week.

**Ngaa mihi nui**

**Kevin Johnson  
Principal /Tumuaki**

### **Rm 1 Mrs Johnson**

Our letterland work is e,u,p and k and we are learning to sound and write words that rhyme with cat. In writing older students are learning to have a go at writing a sentence independently using a word card to find and write words and to write the first sound and then any other sounds that they know in words that are not on the word card. In Maths we are working with a partner to count collections of objects and compare numbers and some children are developing addition skills. We had a great time learning basic hockey skills. We had lots of fun. I am trialling reading books being left in book bags for the whole week so that children have the opportunity to reread them in the week as we are working on developing reading mileage.

### **Rm 2 Miss Green**

We loved having everyone back at school last week. This week's learning is student led. On Friday I asked the kids what they would like to have as a theme for the week. They chose animals and brainstormed different animals they would like to learn about and what they wanted to know specifically. I will keep you posted on Seesaw on how this looks in our classroom. In writing students are becoming more independent and working on making their stories more interesting. We are practising stage 4 phonics and children are working on blending and segmenting words. Maths we are working on our number knowledge and being able to instantly recall before and after numbers to 50. Some children continue to practice groupings within 5, others groupings with 5 and within 10.

### **Rm 3 Mrs Bankier**

Last week Room 3 were amazing Authors writing about a squirrel and hawks adventures. We are working on adding detail to our writing to make it interesting and so that the reader can see pictures in their head when they are reading their writing. This week we are continuing to focus on adding detail to our writing. In maths we are getting good at understanding that multiplication is lots of or groups of and we are able to figure out our 2 times tables, this week we will be learning about our 5 times tables.

Today we had a hockey session learning some skills to be able to play hockey.

We are continuing to learn our train story in music using drumming. We are learning to think and act like Scientists using observation skills to notice changes and detail in experiments. Please remember that book bags need to be coming to school each day so that your child can bring home their reading each night.

Have a great week.

### **Rm 5 Miss Entwisle**

In Writing we are continuing to work on our factual reports as well as revisiting acrostic poems. This week we will be researching and writing about giraffes. In Mathematics we are continuing to work on multiplication and developing our problem solving strategies (using 2's, 3's and 4's). Our Self-Portraits are almost finished and we are super proud of how they are turning out.

**Homework Reminder:**

Home Choice Learning Board 8 (via Seesaw). If you have any questions regarding the homework, or any other school matters, please feel free to contact me via Seesaw or my school email: [mentwisle@tearohaprimarary.school.nz](mailto:mentwisle@tearohaprimarary.school.nz)

### **Rm 6 Miss Boyd**

Welcome to week 9. This week we continue with researching and recording our findings on amazing animals for our Report Writing. We have been working on telling the time and we are really good at telling the time to the O'clock and Half past. This week we will look at telling the time for quarter past and quarter to. In Reading we are concentrating on selecting and using sources of information and our prior knowledge to make sense of varied and complex text we read. On Monday we are looking forward to learning more hockey skills, let's hope the rain holds off. Don't forget to check out some Seesaw activities your child can do for homework this week. Enjoy your week.

### **Rm 7 Mrs Paul**

This week our integrated focus will be Habitats. Our reading, writing and Science focus will all be aimed around this. In writing we will look at report writing and produce information for you to look at. In reading we will be doing 'close' reading and extracting facts and looking closely at the vocab used. As a class we will start with Arctic region but the children will have some choices from there.

Well done everyone for working hard on spelling last week. We will continue with the 6 timetables this week. A suggestion in our memory training lessons was that these are learnt before bed in order to make them stick!! A lot of children still have no tables marked off yet, so keep working at them.

### **Rm 8 Mrs Young**

Welcome to Week 9

Assessment kicks off this week in Room 8, Mrs Gamble will be exploring Habitats and Strand Maths on Wednesday.

**Focus for Term 2** - Self Management using Trello

**Numeracy** - Multiplication and Division

**Inquiry** - This week we are exploring prior knowledge so students have some background knowledge when transitioning into their mini inquiry projects.

**What are Habitats? How have plants and animals adapted and how can they be protected?**

**Literacy** - Principal Proposals, "Lockdown Story created by Book Creator.

This is our THIRD week into Chapter Chat - Reading 'The Boy At The Back of the Class' where we will focus on Key Competency Managing Self using a Trello board to organise our time effectively. Handson miniature craft building, WW2 Posters and Tweets on Friday.

**ICT** - Code Avengers (ICT) - This is an online platform scaffolded courses to implement the Digital Curriculum.

**What's NEW on Seesaw** - Principal Proposal, Art and Intro in Habitats.

**Updated Weekly Current Events** - Online interactive quiz with detailed answers. Please login via <https://socrative.com/> Click on Student Login and enter TAPSROOM82020. Hard copy quiz available and will be left on our bookshelf.

**Online Maintenance:** Times Table Rockstars, Prodigy and Studyladder / Ebooks/Audiobooks: EPIC, Ziptales and Sanctuary. Email- [kyoung@tearohaprimary.school.nz](mailto:kyoung@tearohaprimary.school.nz)

### **Rm 9 Mrs Robertson / Mrs Gamble**

The 3 R's have had a strong focus in our learning since returning from lockdown. Fractions, decimals and percentages unit is underway, along with transformations (reflective, rotational, translation, and enlargement symmetry). In writing we have been learning how to present an argument. This has involved looking at the pros and cons of a given topic and being able to come to a conclusion with supporting evidence. Learning about natural habitats is underway and this week we will focus on specific habitats of the natural environment. Some pupils will continue fencing on the school farm with Mr Rasmussen. Hockey coaching on Thursday. Please remember closed-in shoes.

Homework: weekly current quiz, reading (20min each night) time table.

### **Rm 10 Mrs Brittenden**

Kia ora koutou - welcome to Week 9.

Rm 10 have really enjoyed our themed literacy programme over the last two weeks, helping us to see how reading and writing are explicitly linked. This week, we will be exploring the theme of Endangered Animals, which also links to our Habitats topic.

**Seesaw** - we are working hard to share aspects of our learning throughout the week and really appreciate parent and whanau feedback on the shared journal entries. This is a really cool way to share in your child's learning and to encourage them.

**Maths** - we will be working on multiplying and dividing decimals. Some of us in RM 10 need help practicing and knowing our time tables!

**Literacy** - we will be using the comprehension strategies of skimming and scanning the text. The notes we make will be supported by additional research to help us to plan and write an information report on Endangered Animals.

**Habitats** - after identifying different habitats for plant and animal life, we make comparisons between these and investigate the adaptations that plants and animals make within a habitat in order to survive.

Another super awesome week.

Arohanui - Mrs B

### **TERM TWO DATES 2020**

1. Hearing +Vision Testing Wednesday	17 June 2020
2. Reports go home	3 July 2020
3. School Closes for the Holidays	3 July 2020
4. School opens for term3	20 July 2020

### **TUESDAY LUNCHES – NOODLES \$2**

There will be noodle sales this week.

### **TE AROHA JUNIOR HOCKEY MUSTER**

MUSTER for year 1 to 8 players  
On Monday 15 June at 3.30pm at  
Te Aroha Primary School turf.

Enquiries : Kim Davey 0274824597

### **Te Aroha Junior Rugby**

Trainings Start back Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June at Boyd Park.  
Trainings are on Tuesdays and Thursdays  
Please bring own drink bottles, boots and mouth guards.  
See you there from 3.15pm  
Any queries please contact Brian Wastney: 027 218 6144

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