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Tena koutou Parents and Whanau

Welcome to week 8 of term three.



This week in Tongan Language Week - Uike Kātoanga'i 'o e Lea Faka-Tonga.

The theme for Tongan Language Week is: "Fakakoloa 'o Aotearoa 'aki 'a e Lotu Mo'oni". "Enriching Aotearoa New Zealand through Prayer and Faith"

I hope all fathers, grandfathers, partners and uncles had a great Father's Day on Sunday and you were spoilt rotten by your loved ones.

Today we welcomed teachers from Kopuarahi School to our school for the day. These teachers came to view the good practice which takes place in our school and to learn from our teachers. It was great being able to support other professionals in our profession.

I have been informed that contractors will be moving onto our school site in the middle of this week to start the special needs upgrade for our school. This is a \$550K project which is the first phase of major improvements to our school over the next 6 months. The work will see many of our pathways upgraded, the office block refurbished and the sick bay doubled in size to be able to have wheelchair access to it. The entrance of the school will also be changed to the astro court side of the building to be able to have wheelchair access to the office. We will also have hoists fitted at the swimming pool to lift children in and out of the pool. This will cause quite a bit of disruption to the school as building work will take place until 4 November this year and then in the school holidays as well..

CELL PHONES AT SCHOOL

This is a reminder that our school policy is that no student is permitted to have a cell phone at school either on their person or in their school bag. If a child needs to contact their parents then they can go to the admin office and our secretary will contact the parent for them.

Project Energise Ball Skills Training







CRICKET SKILLS





LEVEL 2 COVID 19 REQUIREMENTS AT TAPS

This is a reminder to our parents that at Level 2 parents/visitors are not permitted onto the grounds. If you do need to come to school, please ring ahead and then you will need to sign in at the office and follow the usual sanitising procedure. Parents are not permitted in the classrooms at Level 2. Thanks for your help with this so we can keep our children and teachers safe and healthy.

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. The number is <u>0800 358</u> <u>5453</u>

Ngaa mihi nui

Kevin Johnson
Principal /Tumuaki

Classroom Round Ups

Rm 1 Mrs Johnson

We welcome Lucas and Aati to our class this week. Our Letterland work is w,x,y and z and we continue with rhyming words. In Maths we are working on the concept of before, after and between and relating that to numbers. Correct letter and number formation is very important at this stage of the children's learning journey and something we work on each day at school. The children are ;loving the ball skills sessions and we can see progress in their skills . Look out for new photos on Seesaw today. Just a reminder that we no toys from home at school please, they have become very distracting in class of late. Thank you.

Rm 2 Miss Green

I hope everyone had an enjoyable weekend and dads had a great Father's Day. This week I begin testing so you may notice books your child has already read come home. Some parents will have noticed I have begun to add maths homework on Seesaw as children have asked for it. Is great for them to be able to follow up on learning at home. Friday was awesome fun! We had everyone dress up in their favourite clothes or costume and we got to make spider biscuits, watch Charlotte's web and learn a new class game outside.

Rm 3 Mrs Bankier

We had a great time with Sport Waikato running another ball skills lesson for us today. Mr Barker will be in on Thursday and Friday as I will be on my classroom release time testing reading. We have planted our Little Garden seeds and are eagerly waiting for them to grow. Each week we receive activities from the Little Garden League to complete. We are learning about how seeds grow and how we need to look after them. We are also learning about different vegetables and one of our challenges is to try new vegetables especially the ones we are growing. We are learning to create posters in reading about all sorts of animals so that we can share our learning with others. In maths we are learning to play games that help us to understand place value.

Have a great week.

Rm 5 Miss Entwisle

Our Spelling words this week are all about \underline{it} and \underline{fl} . In Writing/Oral Language we are working on our speeches (These will be sent home later on in the week once they have been published and glued onto cue cards). In Mathematics we are working on our addition and subtraction strategies using tens numbers. We enjoyed making artworks inspired by Roald Dahl's Cloud-Men from the story: <u>James and the Giant Peach</u>. We are excited to be unraveling the latest School Kit which came as a 'mystery package' with games and activities for us to learn about.





Rm 6 Miss Boyd

Welcome to week 8. This week is our last session with Nicole and Dana from Sports Waikato. It has been great having them come in and developing our ball skills. In maths this week we are all about giving directions. I wonder which way we will go? We have written our first draft speeches and we will be working on these to make them more exciting to share. It has been wonderful how everyone is sharing their homework activities, through drawings, crafts, or photos. This week, don't forget to choose another activity from the Homework Grid and present it in class on Friday.

Rm 7 Mrs Paul

One of the many things I love about Room 7 is the way they connect together. By 8.30am most of them have arrived at school and are out playing together. These relationships are invaluable when it comes to health and well- being at school. It makes me so happy to see them gel together so well.

This week in reading we will be focusing on vocab in context as well as literal comprehension. My testing last week showed a huge improvement in the way we understand what we read so that is awesome to see. In Maths, the Level 3s are finishing decimals while the level 2s are doing a recap of multiplication. (x tables need learning this week).

The year 5s did a great job with their speeches and this week we will finish off the year 5.

Rm 8 Mrs Young

Speeches - Super proud of everyone in Room 8 for reading their speeches in front of Room 7 and 8 this is no easy feat! Students will have the opportunity to record speeches for Seesaw this week.

We also have our speech semi finals today and school speech finals on Wednesday. Information to follow on how we can do this under Alert Level 2 for parents.

Keep it Inline: Safer Digital Behaviours Kit - We will be unpacking this kit over the next few weeks and into term 4. This kit is designed to help us tackle the issues, decisions and behaviours that students are being exposed to online.

Numeracy - PERCENTAGES AND DECIMALS

Literacy Groups - REFUGEE, SINGENPOO AND TWITS - New workbooks for each group, some fantastic crafts have been created too. Scripts for plays are in motion.

Current Events - Online interactive quiz with detailed answers. Please login via https://socrative.com/ Click on Student Login and enter TAPSROOM82020.

Online Maintenance: StudyLadder and KHAN Academy - click on assigned activities. Students are well equipped on these main websites (with assigned tasks from me to match our learning). Want to touch base? Flick me an Email or contact me on Seesaw kyoung@tearohaprimary.school.nz

Rm 9 Mrs Robertson / Mrs Gamble

Well done to all our students who presented their speeches last week. Delivering a speech can be very nerve racking so well done to all of you. Speech finalists will be announced today. Due to level 2 Covid restrictions and construction work being in the hall this week we might have speech finals in the library on Wednesday the 9th at 11:45am. Parents and caregivers are welcome to come and hear these. We just ask that everyone be seated before 11: 40am so that we can start promptly. We'll finalise details on Tuesday. For maths this week we will continue to work on B.E.D.M.A.S and in strand, finding out the circumference and area of a circle. Our class novel on Eragon will continue along with guided reading groups. In writing we will be busy publishing our thank you letters to the Waikato Regional Council and speeches on Seesaw. Good luck to Jack and Bethan who will be presenting, on behalf of the school, our recent

enviroschools journey to Matamata Piako Councillors. This will take place at council chambers on Wednesday. Homework: Reading and weekly quiz, this can be completed online or on hard copy.

Rm 10 Mrs Brittenden

Mālō e lelei - this week is Tongan Language Week / Uike Kātoanga'i 'o e lea faka-Tonga and we will be celebrating this by learning about the culture and language of Tonga. A taskboard has been shared with Rm 10, with activities for students to complete.

Maths - we complete our learning about AREA this week by calculating the area of triangles and circles. Students will need to have a compass at school.

Literacy - we will continue with our person of courage exploration and also our persuasive writing. Our Tongan Language Week activities also have a reading and writing link.

*Year 8 parents and whanau - please be on the look out for information about enrolment at Te Aroha College for 2021. This will be happening in Week 10.

Good luck to our speech finalists.

Arohanui - Mrs B (dp@tearohaprimary.school.nz)

TERM THREE DATES 2020

1. Yr7/8 Rotary Speech Comp 17 Sept 2020 2. School Closes for the holidays 25 Sept 2020

TERM FOUR DATES 2020

1. School re opens for term 4	13 Oct 2020
2. Totara Springs Sports Camp	19 -23 Oct 2020
2. Labour Weekend	23 - 26 Oct 2020
2. School Athletics	Nov 2020
3 District Athletics	Nov 2020
4. TV Athletics	Nov 2020
2. Teacher Only Day	18 Nov 2020
3. Yr 8 Social	Dec 2020
4. Prize Giving +Yr 8 Final Assembly	Dec 2020
3. School Closes for Holidays	11 Dec 2020

As information becomes available about whether activities will take place or not then the dates will be added to the key dates below.

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