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18th February 2019 Newsletter No 3 Welcome to Term 1 Week 4

Kia ora

Last week we had Mary-Anne Murphy who is our Learner Agency facilitator. Mary-Anne talked to staff about creating classroom programmes that were differentiated and meet the needs of all students in our classrooms. It was wonderful to have Mary-Anne for the whole day and it meant that teachers were able to have purposeful conversations about their teaching inquiry.

Attendance Dues:

Please remember, if you are having any difficulties do not hesitate to contact me. All conversations are kept private and confidential.

School Stationery Accounts:

At the beginning of the term, invoices were given to students for stationery. Thank you to the families who have paid either by popping in and seeing Lynmarie or internet banking. We will be emailing / posting outstanding accounts this week. If any families are having problems paying please come and see me and we can work out a payment plan.

Changes around the school:

Over the past few weeks there have been subtle changes with the appearance of our school. The seating around the pool has been upgraded, the wooden decks have been stained and the signage at the front of the school has been changed, and we are now able to have messages displayed.

God Bless
Kristine Osburn



Monday 25th February at
7.00pm in the staffroom.
All new members welcome.

He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured, and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all. Luke 6:17-19

Mission: Excellence in Education for all within a Catholic Environment.

Congratulations: Term 1 Week 3



Leigha: 'Can-do' attitude

Raimania: Hard work in reading

Lucas: Positive attitude in all learning

Rose: Perseverance in swimming

Benjamin: Fabulous writing and a 'can-do' in all learning

Elisapeta: Fabulous writing and a 'can-do' in all learning

Moana: Putting in 100% in maths

Seren: Great role model

Majella: Positive attitude to learning

Angelica: Positive attitude to learning

Angela: Learning the alphabet and their sounds

Haydn: Room 1 role model of the week

Gabby: Learning about number to 10

Joban: Polite, hardworking student

Kenshin: Excellent descriptive writing sentences



**Tonight Monday 18th
from 5pm to 7pm.**

This week the Juniors started their living world inquiry. They made greenhouses and planted bean seeds. They are learning what plants need to survive.



SAVE THE DATE

SCHOOL PICNIC: TONIGHT MONDAY 18TH FEBRUARY
5PM-7PM

ASH WEDNESDAY: 6TH MARCH

TE AROHA DISTRICT SWIMMING: WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH

GOAL SETTING EVENING: THURSDAY 7TH MARCH

EAR CLINIC: TUESDAY 12TH MARCH

THAMES VALLEY SWIMMING: MONDAY 18TH MARCH

ST JOSEPH'S DAY: WHOLE SCHOOL MASS TUESDAY 19TH MARCH

Board of Trustees Meeting:

Our first BOT meeting is this Thursday 21st February at 6.00pm in the **School Library**. We would like to welcome any parents or caregivers to attend.

Goal Setting Meetings:

Family School Link meetings will be on Thursday 7th March. Meetings will start at 3.00pm. School ends for instruction at 2.30pm and the buses will be running at the normal time.

These meetings about your child's learning are very important as we acknowledge that you as parents and caregivers know your children best. As teachers we always value your input. Appointment sheets were sent out last week, you are able to contact Lynmarie to make a booking.

Room 3:

Children at each table were given a different animal species. i.e. reptiles, amphibians, mammals, insects, arachnids, fish and birds. They had to answer 6 questions and find out what made their particular animal fit into the category. They were not told what species but rather asked to find out what were the characteristics that made up the category. They then had to tell the class all the things they had observed about the animals.

Questions they had to solve:

- 1) Whether the animals were warm or cold blooded?
- 2) Did they give live birth or hatch from eggs?
- 3) Did they have a skeleton or back bone?
- 4) Did they breathe using lungs, gills or through the skin?
- 5) Did they feed their young milk?
- 6) What did their outer body type look like? Furry, scales, smooth or wet skin, feathers.



SCHOOL HAPPENINGS:

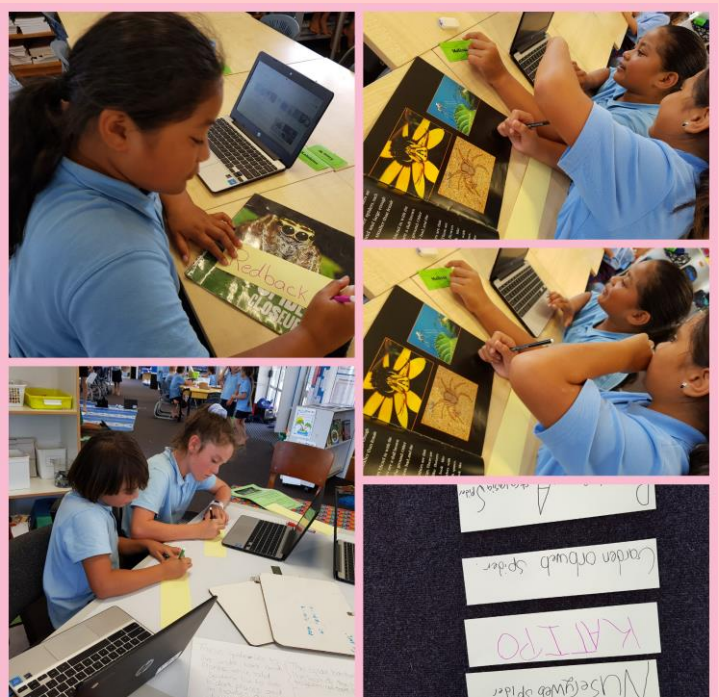


On Wednesday the Year 8's were given the opportunity to go to the college to listen to William Pike, an inspirational speaker. He talked about how he became a teacher, one with a passion for mountain climbing. He talked about how he lost his right leg in a volcanic gas eruption on Mt Ruapehu, when he took his friend James on his first mountain climb. He talked about how much his life changed during the days he spent in hospital, and the challenges he faced after being released. Things a normal person could do were difficult for him, but that didn't stop him from trying. Eventually he was able to climb up Mt Ruapehu again to the place where his life changed forever.

By Ashley N Year 8



Researchers at work!! Using both technology and books, looking up nz spider species!



Another exciting action packed play from room 4 students!

