

Week 10!

09/04/2019 by Karen Poole

Kia ora koutou

Wow! What a busy term we have had! **Some of the highlights have been:**

- Whanau picnic
- Learning conversations
- Camp fundraising
- A visit from the Hurricanes
- Student Council appointed
- Open day at Horoeka Reserve
- Movin March activities - wacky shoe day, wheels day, etc.
- Nga Kukari visit to Te Papa
- Dowse Art workshops (Nga Manu)
- Visiting performers from Beijing - **Peace Angel Arts Troupe of China** Soong Ching Ling Foundation
- Refurbishment of Rooms 3 and 4 (now known as Hub 43)



Learning in the classroom has been integrated (weaved through all the curriculum areas) and based around the big idea, *"Empowering our students to be true Tawhai students - values based"*.

This provided an opportunity for:

- Children to share with others about themselves and learn about their peers.
- Children to be actively taught the Tawhai Values and expectations.
- Teachers and children to work together to establish class expectations and class treaty (based on values).
- For children to develop an understanding about what is a community? Why is a community important? How can we contribute to our community?

We are now planning for Term 2 and invite you to have your say at our Parent Focus Group this evening at 7:30pm.

Teachers have been learning too:

- Incredible Years Training for Year 3 teachers
- On-going Play.sport professional development
- On-going professional development with New Pedagogies for Deep Learning (NPDL) - more information to come about this as we progress through our 3 year journey.
- On-going professional development with the Upper Hutt cluster - Change Leadership and Culturally Responsive practices.

I am very grateful to our teachers and staff who are committed to growing as professionals and modelling a growth mindset.

On behalf of the staff I would like to say a very big thank you for all your support throughout the term and wish you a safe and happy holiday.

Ngā mihi nui

Karen Poole

Sports Update from Sharon Gilmour

Touch

It was an awesome end to the touch competition with all teams having great games. Congratulations to the Tawhai Dynamos and Tawhai Tuis who were winners of their grade. Special mention also to the Tawhai Terminators all year 5 players who came 3rd in the year 5-6 grade.

Thank you to coaches for their amazing work.

Floorball

Today is the last game of Floorball for all teams. Johanna has mentioned “super impressed with the skill level of all our players – they have come such a long way in just a few weeks.

Thank you to team managers for their great work.

On Wednesdays, in term 2 commencing on 8 May, junior drills and skills sessions will be run for 45 minutes. The cost will be \$30.00 for 6 weeks. Limited spaces are available.

Under 11 (year 4-5) 4pm

Under 13 (year 6-8) 5pm

Netball

The Year 1-2 Tawhai Kiwi team had an awesome time in the future FERNs sessions.

Thank you so much to Ilana Kapp for her great work with team.

This season we have three teams participating in the local year 3-4 competition at Silverstream School which is great.

Thank you to Jacinta Glynn, Nicole Stewart, and Renee Saul who are coaching teams.

Notices to all players will go out today.

At Heretaunga College we have one year 5-6 team competing in the local competition.

Thank you to Katarina Sereposis and Chelsea Sullivan who will train the team at lunchtimes. Unfortunately no parents have come forward to assist with the team or umpire on the day. I have been fortunate to get Losa Tupou and her cousin to assist with these duties. However this will involve an extra charge of \$20.00 per player for umpiring duties which I believe is the going rate. Notices to all players will go out on Thursday.

Tiniball-Miniball

Teams have to be registered on Friday and at this stage we are looking at entering four teams. In an endeavour to ensure all players are placed in teams the year 5-6 and 1-2 teams will consist of ten players. I know this is not ideal but it is the best I can do. If by any chance your child would like to play please let me know by Friday morning.

Entertainment Books

The new books are now out for all to purchase get yours now for the holidays and enjoy some of the great savings. Members can purchase either the book or digital membership. From every book sold 25% will go towards resources for well-being. To order your Entertainment Membership go to: www.entbook.co.nz/105190p.

Yummy Apple Stickers

Keep munching on those apples with the yummy stickers and fill up the tally sheet and bring to school. Forms are available at the office if you need them. This year we want to triple the amount of gear we received last year.

Important dates

- 12 April - Last day of term

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- 29 April - First day of term two
- 14-17 May - Year 5/6 school camp
- 21 May - Year 6 visit to Avalon Intermediate
- 22 May - Year 3-6 basketball tournament at Walter Nash stadium
- 28 May - School cross country (29 May postponement date)
- 5 June - Northern zone cross country (6 June postponement date)
- 10-21 June - Nga Manu swimming (two weeks)
- 18 June - Inter-zone cross country (20 June postponement date)
- 2 July - Regional cross country (4 July postponement date)
- 5 July - End of term two

- Term one: 4 Feb - 12 April
- Term two: 29 April - 5 July
- Term three: 22 July - 27 Sept
- Term four: 14 Oct - 19 Dec