

# Fernyhurst News Term 1



## Welcome

Kia Ora Whānau, and welcome to Term One! My name is Sue Smith and I'm excited to be continuing the learning journey in Fernyhurst this year. I have been teaching on and off in the Wairarapa for a number of years, and really love the country school vibe and rural kids. We've had a great start to the year, with a trip already under our belt, and fabulous new classroom tables for group work!

This year my Professional release days for planning and assessment are happening on alternate Fridays. Nicki Bramwell-Cooke who is already familiar with all our tamariki will be taking charge and running her amazing program on these days.

Fernyhurst students are also supported by our fabulous Teacher-Aides Mel and Emma.

I'm looking forward to meeting you all and catching up at our Community Picnic in Week 5.

## Home Learning

This term all students in Fernyhurst will be given homework to reinforce the work done in class.

These activities will relate to concepts being taught in our structured literacy and maths programmes. Others will be tools to encourage students fluency and confidence in reading.

Your child may also bring home a decodable or levelled text to share with you. These books are read and studied throughout the week so students should be reasonably fluent when reading at home. This will encourage the students to transfer and relate their structured literacy learning to their reading.

**Homework is only expected to take 10-15 minutes every night!**

## Contact me...

- Call the office (06) 372 2861
- Send a message via the HERO app
- email: [suesmith@wainuioru.school.nz](mailto:suesmith@wainuioru.school.nz)

## Reminders

- Sunblock before school!
- Book bags returned daily
- Send togs every day
- \$2 cash for Friday sausage!



## Dates for Your Diary

- 17th Feb Junior Swimming Sports (at school)
- 25th Feb Community Picnic 5.30pm
- 3rd April Good Friday

