



"On A Great Learning Adventure"

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 8th February 2024 | TERM 1 WEEK 1

Give it a Go, Respect, Excellence, Attitude and Teamwork

Principal Chat

Welcome back to 2024. We had a GREAT start to our week with our First Day Fun Day. It was fantastic to see all our tamariki after the break and enjoy hearing all their adventures from the holidays.

We have changed our timetable slightly this year. Our students will now play before eating their lunch. There is research around this, that shows children eat more and are more settled in the afternoon if they go back to class straight after eating. It may take a while for tamariki to get used to the new routine. Brain food is now at 11.50am. Please provide a piece of fruit or vegetable for this. Talk to your children about this, as they may be quite hungry by 11.50am and will need something.

Our school uniform is dark blue not black. When buying clothes for your tamariki, please keep this in mind.

As a Sunsmart accredited school, we have a policy that makes it compulsory for hats to be worn in Terms one and four. Dark blue bucket hats are our uniform hat. Caps are not acceptable. It is expected that all students will have a dark blue bucket hat for the start of Week 2. Please let us know if you are having any difficulties with this.

All classes are swimming every day while the weather is warm. Please send togs and towel to school every day with your children.

Rata is going on a Leadership Camp next week. This is the first time we have run a camp like this, so it will be exciting to see how our seniors develop as our school role models this year.

Stationery will be handed out over the next couple of days. It has been delayed with the courier but is coming. Every family will have received an account for school stationery at the end of 2023 with school reports. Another one is being emailed out. Please pay this account so your child can get the stationery they need for 2024. A lot of families have already paid online, and this is appreciated. If you require any assistance, please phone the office.

We are trying to get 100% of our parents on the Class Dojo. You may have received an invitation to this. Class Dojo is an ideal way to communicate with the class teacher. Please take some time to sign up to this or call in and see us and we will help. Please also make sure you have the Skool Loop App available to you, as this is where all whole school notices go.

It is wonderful to see parents coming back into the school gates to pick up children. The school gates are closed during the day for safety, however, please feel free to walk in and pick up your kids at the end of the day. Just make sure you let the teacher on Parent Pick Up duty know when you leave with your tamariki.

It is important to us that you feel comfortable coming into school and it's a great way to make connections.

Ka Kite
Angela McQuarrie
Principal



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ABSENTEES

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