



TĀTAHI SYNDICATE TERM 3 UPDATE



Home Learning

Your child will come home with their reading book Mon-Thurs. Remember to give your child plenty of praise and encouragement in **listening with you to the stories or in reading the stories themselves (as appropriate to their level of development)**. It is important your child experiences success and enjoyment when engaged in language activities. Your positive encouragement will motivate your child, which in turn will help build important foundational learning skills for educational success.

Seesaw

In Tātahi, we use the Seesaw app for sharing current learning and events. If you have any problems, please see your child's teacher.

Change of Clothes

Please make sure your child always has a change of clothes in their bag 'just in case'.

Lunches

Please make sure your child comes to school with a healthy/wrapperless lunch to sustain them throughout the day. We stop for a 'fruit-break' each day at 10.00am. **Please leave treats such as sweets, chocolate and jelly for home. PBS is a water only school.**

Toys

Toys are not to be brought to school. We really appreciate your support with this as it is upsetting for everyone if they get lost or broken.

From the Syndicate

Welcome to Term 3! Kiwisports continue this term and from Week 5 onwards Tātahi will attend gymnastics sessions at Kapiti Gymnastics (more information to come soon). In week 5 we will celebrate Book Week and have our annual book week character parade on August 23. A huge welcome back to Tara Vertongen who is opening our new entrant class in Room 18.

Year 1 and 2 Team: Tara Vertongen (Rm18), Laura Powell (Rm 19), Rachel McDowell (Rm 21, Team Leader), Sandy Saunders (Rm 22 & New Entrant Administrator), Cristie Gray (Rm 23), Bridget Nally (Room 25), Nicola Jarvis and Cherie Parker (Room 26). We are a friendly and approachable team. Should you have any queries or feedback, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

Report Comments - @school BLOG

There are report comments sitting in the BLOG on the @school app. This term you will receive a notification for a general comment and maths comment. Please let your child's teacher know if you are having any trouble accessing your child's reporting comments.

Assemblies: This term assembly will be held on Thursday 1 August, Thursday 29 August and Thursday 12 September.

It is wonderful to see so many parents coming along to our assemblies. It's not easy for the children to stand up and present to an audience, so please make sure that your phone is on mute and that you are focussed on the children. Thanks for your support.

Please note: Assemblies may be altered or cancelled at the last minute due to unforeseen circumstances, please check your Seesaw account.

Literacy

Reading

Teachers in Tātahi use an integrated literacy approach to support children's early reading, writing and oral language success. Strong foundational skills are paramount for early literacy success. Lessons are explicit and structured. Children are first supported using explicit, systematic decodable texts. Once they have 'cracked the code' they have the confidence to embrace and overcome new challenges as independent readers.

Writing

Reading and Writing are explicitly taught in a sequence, from simple to complex. Structured lessons allow the children to master letter and sentence formation. As their confidence and skills develop, they are able to write spontaneously to record personal experiences.

Handwriting instruction is explicit and cumulative with a focus on letter formation, posture and pencil grip.

Oral Language

The children are learning to:

- Listen to and respond to others
- Talk about personal experiences.
- Listen to and respond to texts and relate them to personal experiences.

Physical Education

Kiwisports

The children will participate in weekly Kiwisports sessions run by Paraparaumu College students. They will develop their gross motor skills.

Gymnastics

The children will participate in 5 sessions at Kapiti Gymnastics.

Te Reo Māori

Matenga Baker will join us each Friday to weave both tikanga and te reo through waiata Māori. The children will also be learning to say their own pepeha and listen to and use basic commands in te reo Māori.



CURIOSITY (PĀTAITAI), RESPECT (MANAAKITANGA), EXCELLENCE (HIRANGA), SELF-MANAGEMENT (RANGATIRATANGA), TEAM WORK (MAHI TAHI)

VALUES:

Respect/Manaakitanga: An attitude of caring, kindness and treating others how we would like to be treated.

Self Management/Rangatiratanga: being responsible and prepared so others can depend on you.

Mathematics in Term 3

- * Multiplication - the children will experience early multiplication such as skip-counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and solving multiplication stories.
- * Number - (depending on your child's stage) - The children will be learning to make sense of small numbers, explore numbers to 10 and beyond and understand addition and subtraction.
- * Measurement - Exploring Length

Events coming up in Term 3

Kiwisports

Gymnastics each Tuesday - Week 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10

Book Week From August 19 - 23

Teacher Only Day - Thursday 5 September

Learning Through Play

Learning Through Play provides students opportunities to explore curriculum learning and key competency development, in a fun, challenging and student-directed context. Furthermore, Learning Through Play is a vehicle for extending oral language, developing social skills and self-directed play.

Inquiry

Context: Olympics

In our Inquiry this term the children will be exploring the Olympics values of Excellence, Respect and Friendship. Our Learning Through Play sessions will enable the children to develop these skills in an authentic way. Play provides opportunities for the children to explore ideas, experiment, and express new ideas. In turn, this creates learners who become better problem solvers and critical thinkers.