

Wednesday the 17th of October 2018

Welcome to Week 1 of Term 4.

The fourth term of any school year goes very quickly and this term is going to be no different. There are so many things to happen before we wrap up for the year I have to stand back and look at how we are going to fit it all in.

Next Monday, the 22nd of October, the school is closed for Labour Day and then on the Tuesday, the 23rd of October, all netball starts for our children. It was interesting to read a recent survey about sideline support and apparently netball has the most recorded abuse of players and umpires. Can parents please remember that the umpires are doing their best, and in many cases we will be using college students, so they are learning how to be umpires.

Another important point to remember is that your children are part of a team and it is up to the coach to put your children into positions that they deem to be the correct position for them. I know every parent sees their own children as up and coming silver ferns but we all need to remember that you have to start somewhere.

In week 5 we have the Year 7 and 8 students heading off to camp for the week. This is always a full on time for teachers and students so please keep an eye out for notices as there is always quite a bit of paperwork that needs to come back.

Science Curriculum Review

I'd like to thank all the parents who took the time to send back their ideas for what they felt as being important for their children to learn. We also spent some time getting the ideas from the children as to what their interests are in science. The staff spent some time looking at the ideas and putting together a more detailed overview of what we will be teaching from 2019.

These reviews are really important as we want to keep things relevant for our students.

Junior Block Developments

We are in the process of discussing ideas with the company we use for our property work to completely overhaul the junior block. We are looking at opening up this block to better utilise the space for our students. We are also looking at creating more breakout spaces for children to use. On Thursday 25th of October at 3:00pm we are going to hold a session after school where parents can come along and listen to the ideas we have for this block and hopefully give us some ideas as well. We will have a teacher aide available to look after children and I can see it taking about 30 to 45 minutes. There will be tea/coffee and biscuits as well.

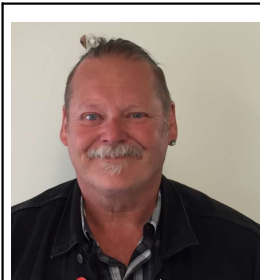
Jewellery

A reminder to parents and children that jewellery is not to be worn at school unless it is of cultural importance. This is a safety issue and we would appreciate your cooperation.

2019 Enrolments

For information of 2019 enrolments please see our school website for details and updates. www.foxtonbeach.school.nz

Hamish Stuart
Principal



Nō reira ko Murray tōku ingoa

Kia ora everybody, My name is Murray Woodcock.

Let me introduce myself, I am the Social Worker in Schools (SWIS)

I have been given the privilege to talk to some of your children-tamariki.

I have 17 years of working with children/youth in a social work environment coming from; education, special education, youth/adult education, residential care, Tane mentoring facilitator, community social worker and life-skills programme leader.

If you have any questions or would like me to chat with your family - whanau and start conversations with yourself or tamariki, let the Principal know and I will arrange a time for us to hui...

Let us communicate together.

Ngā mihi, Murray Woodcock tenei

HOME + SCHOOL NEWS

Helpers needed

If you can help with checks on Tuesday & Thursday next week at 9.00 am. We would really appreciate it!

Home & School Meeting, 24th Oct, 7 pm
Staffroom

Gala Day 1st December

Kotare Hub

We have an engaging term planned, full of activities outside the classroom as well as our core curriculum areas.

Social Science; our big theme is "Community Kindness". Throughout the term we will be researching our local community groups and how we connect and help each other. We will be exploring ways we can show appreciation and gratitude to these services. This theme will be woven into parts of our Literacy, Maths and KC development.



P.E. - we are continuing the great start from Term 3 around the fundamental movement skills as well as preparing for our Netball and Junior Tabloids Day. More information will come about Tabloids later in the term.

Health - we will be looking at Fire Safety this term, how to stay safe, creating safe meeting places and what to do in an emergency.



Healthiest School Challenge 2018 - this term our whole school is working on increasing physical activity. All the students have been provided with a pedometer to

measure their steps. At the end of each school day the students and teachers input the steps onto the website and using the virtual tracker we walk our way around the world starting with NZ. Along the way, Gemma McCaw and Cory Jane provide us with top tips, information and history and cultures of the places we visit. The students and teachers are really excited about this journey.

*** If your child accidentally brings their pedometer home, please help them to remember to bring it back the following day. This is an in-school activity for students in Team Kotare.

Tarānui

Kia ora Whanau,
Welcome back to Term 4! We hope that you all had a well deserved holiday. Our students are going to be super busy this term.

Our Healthy Kids, Healthy Community Inquiry is in full force and our students are hooked. They have been given their own pedometer which is used to count their daily steps. We've started to explore different ways of becoming more healthy and active.

Next week, our students will be introduced to their next exciting learning opportunity - A Student Volunteer Army Project. The SVA enables students to give back to their communities and we are very excited to see what our students come up with. Watch this space!

Our focuses for Physical Education this term are Netball and Cricket. We did some Netball basics towards the end of Term 3 and we are looking forward to developing our students' understandings and skill level.

We are continuing to work hard to push the Key Competencies within our hub, especially Managing Self, Participating and Contributing, and Relating to others .

Since it is a new term we are encouraging everyone to make sure their chromebooks are charged, looking after their belongings, completing all set tasks and making the right positive choices in all aspects of their learning.

Kuaka Hub

It's has been great to get back into class and see everyone's smiling faces! As per usual, this will be another full-on term with lots of learning opportunities and a range of other exciting things happening as well. In Kuaka Hub we are getting involved in options like a Fair Play unit in which the students learn about how to compete in a fun and enjoyable fashion, while also including others that may be inexperienced in the activity. This unit involves discussing the use of rules for an organised sport, the ethics that underpin the idea of 'fair play', and developing a charter (set of rules) for how physical activity should look like at our school. Other exciting events happening this term are - Year 7-8 camp in Week 5, the Road Patrol Completion Day, and the Gala Day. So it should be a fun term for all at Foxton Beach School.

Sports Uniforms

Please return sports uniforms if your child has finished playing a sport for the year.

Upcoming Events

19th Oct	Assembly 9 am
22nd Oct	Labour Day - School Closed
24th Oct	Home & School Meeting 7 pm
25th Oct	Junior Block Development Meeting 3pm
2nd Nov	Assembly 9am
12-16 Nov	Senior Camp
22nd Nov	Junior Tabloid Sports
23rd Nov	Assembly 9 am
1st Dec	Gala Day
10th Dec	Yr 8 Manawatu College Orientation Day
12th Dec	Prizegiving