

FOXTON BEACH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 2020

Welcome to Week 4 of Term 1 2020

I would like to start this newsletter by thanking all the parents who helped over the three days at the Beach Education days. It is so important for our students to learn to be safe around water and have a better idea of what to do to keep themselves safe at the beach.

The children behaved awesomely for the instructors and this meant they got through everything they needed to cover and spend lots of time in the water having fun.

This term we have worked on the Key Competency of Managing Self. This Key Competency is really important as it helps children learn what they need to do to manage aspects of their learning. I mentioned some of these in the last newsletter. It has been great to see children riding bikes and scootering to school. This is one way our children can manage themselves. It is also a great way for our children to stay fit and active.

During the first couple of weeks all the classes have designed a class treaty which states some of the behaviours and learning actions that all the children need to show in class. These have now been signed by students and shared with parents. It would be really good for parents to touch base with their children on these so they are living documents.

Meet the Teachers Evening

On Tuesday the 3rd of March we will be holding a meet the teachers evening. This is an excellent opportunity for whanau to meet with teachers in a relaxed setting. We are going to be starting at 4:30pm with some games set up ready for the children and parents to play and the pool will also be open (parents please supervise your own children). We will aim to have fish and chips in the hall by about 5:30pm and then at around 6:00pm we'll get the teachers to introduce themselves and cover a few things about their hubs.

We hope that as many parents come along so we can all meet each other. Please RSVP for catering purposes.

Reading

This year we are having a big focus on reading as part of the curriculum. What this means is that we are really trying to highlight the need for children to see reading as a vital tool to their learning. It doesn't matter what you are doing there is reading involved most of the time.

We want to show children that reading is not only vital to learning but it is also an enjoyable activity to do, right throughout life. Another reason why reading for enjoyment is really important is the fact that good readers always make good writers. I read an interesting quote the other day, it was " Reading and Writing cannot be separated. Reading is breathing in; writing is breathing out". I just thought that was a great way to sum it up.

What we would like everyone to do is just take 5 or 10 minutes a night to turn the TV and devices off and everyone spend some time reading. It is so important that parents model this to their children or they don't see the importance of reading.

Year 7 / 8 Vaccinations

More information on upcoming Year 7 and 8 vaccinations can be found on the following links.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OuwcOyMjAzc&feature=emb_logo

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tNlKS9uQCQU#action=share>

Child Safety

If your child is late to school or is taken home from school early, please sign them in/out at the office.

Hamish Stuart
Principal

26 Feb	Home & School AGM 6.30 pm
28 Feb	Assembly 9 am
3 March	Meet the Teachers Evening 4.30pm onwards
5 March	Senior Swimming Sports
9 March	Interschool Swimming Sports
12 March	Tarānui Sleepover
23 July	Class/Individual Photos
17 Sept	Sports Team Photos



KIDS BIBLE KLUB

After school on Mondays for Primary School students. We pick up from the school gate, run the programme at Foxton Bible Camp, provide afternoon tea, games, stories, competitions. Children will be dropped home about 5pm. Contact Trevor & Mary Lineham, 3638814 or 0274660140 for more information.

DISCOVERERS is run every 2 weeks on a Thursday evening, 7pm.

An active programme of games and Bible lessons for **Year 6-8** young people.

We pick up from home and drop back by 9pm.

Contact Trevor & Mary Lineham, 3638814 or 0274660140 for more information.

AGM WED, 26TH FEB. 6.30PM, SCHOOL HALL

All very welcome. More info to come.

See teachers for why its so important to the school.

STUDENTS **School** **Ideas** **community**

Teachers

Fundraising

Staff **VOLUNTEER**

events

Fun

Whanau

Fundraising

Home & School

COMMUNICATION

Parents

Make a difference

com-

Rewarding

Inclusive

cup of tea

KEEP CALM AND JOIN HOME & SCHOOL

or just come to the AGM!

Kotare Hub

What a fun day out with all the Year 3 and 4s last Thursday. We couldn't have had our Beach Education experience without all the wonderful helpers and supervision from our whanau. A massive thanks from our team!

Our Wonderful Wai (water)Science unit is underway this week, Room 3 are using the Science kit this week. Room 2 are excited to use it next week. We have been learning about 'Evaporation' and conserving water in our rivers and streams. The other foci from our kit will be the changing states of water; solid, liquid and gas, the water cycle and how water moves.

Room 1 have been learning about Floating and Sinking with Mrs Bateman and are now getting into changing states of water with Ms V. Please keep an eye on Seesaw for our great learning.

Swimming is going well, so many students are gaining more confidence and progressing through their skills and water safety activities.

Keep an eye on Seesaw for any additional information your child may need for their Pepeha. We are working on learning these to share within the hub.

Our class Treaties have all been uploaded to Seesaw. We would like your feedback on them. Our students should be able to explain what they mean. These will be referred to throughout the school year and reinforced regularly.



Terewiti and Maia enjoying the pool



Here is a photo of our junior tamariki using the new sandpit toys. These have been a great hit and have encouraged the tamariki to practise their K.C's through working together, problem solving, planning, concentration, perseverance, conflict resolution, sharing, looking after new equipment and packing up after they have finished. All important life skills that children learn best through PLAY.



Tarānui Hub

Kia ora, welcome to Week 4 of Term 1, 2020. We have been super busy in Team Tarānui by establishing our routines and classroom expectations. Our students have been exposed to a range of different systems that we have in place to ensure they are successful with their learning.

Class Treaty:

Over the last couple of weeks our students worked through a series of processes to establish our classroom treaty. They independently brainstormed issues they might face in the classroom, then shared these with small groups to see what was common. From there the issues that were deemed important and then put it back to our children to draft some solutions. These were shared back as a class and we agreed on most important ideas, which were then turned into guidelines for our class. We merged some ideas together, so that our treaty was simple enough for all to honour. Every student in our classroom has signed this and we welcome feedback from you.

Managing Self:

This is a huge key competency that we are going to really work on this term. We want all of our students to be successful in their learning and by working on this concept, our students will be. There are some key things that our students need to remember when managing self:

1. Complete must do work by their given deadlines
2. Look after own belongings
3. Follow the Chromebook care agreement

We encourage you to go over what managing self looks like at home with your children. Then it shows our students that what is being taught at school, is then being reinforced at home.

Sleepover

Confirmation of the sleepover is March 12th. Please make sure that you come to get police vetting forms if you wish to stay the night - and we will definitely need a minimum of 5 parents staying the night in order for this to go ahead. Another notice around this Sleepover will be coming home very shortly.

Kuaka Hub

We have had some interesting highlights over this term.

We had Shaz Dagg from Parafed Manawatu call out to give some of our students the chance to experience wheelchair basketball. It was awesome to see our students learn about the challenges other people face in their lives and the resilience that they have developed.



Our Beach Education day was a great success for all involved. A big thank you from the Kuaka Hub goes out to the facilitators and parents who helped make this event happen.

Some other focuses we have engaged in have been art activities creating inspirational quotes and whakatauki, our science units on Windmills and Waterwheels, and Parachutes.

This week we're focusing on digital video presentations based on the 'Managing Self' Key Competency using the Powtoon animation app.

Kair

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