



## Greetings parents,

With everyone and everything still locked down so we can decrease the chances of transmitting the virus through school there isn't a lot to put in this week's newsletter. However, here are a few photos of what the children have been learning in class, the fun they are still having in the playground and the innovative things teachers are doing to keep learning interesting..

































# Beach Day Friday 25th March

The pool water is getting pretty cold as the overnight temperature drops, so we don't know how much longer our tamariki will enjoy their daily swimming...

So we think it will be fun to have a beachthemed day next Friday here at school! Students and staff are encouraged to come to school that day in their beachwear but have fun with this – how can you accessorise?!

#### SPORTS TEAMS UNDER COVID

Saturday morning team sport should hopefully be going ahead next term. So, for those new to the area: Netball, Rugby, Hockey, Touch Rugby and Soccer are all organised at a club level, not a school level.

With recent changes to the rules around school children and sports teams it is highly likely this will all be able to proceed next term. We will pass on any information from the Clubs (Leamington, Hautapu, Tom Voyle and Cambridge Soccer) as soon as we get it sent through to us.

You may join any club you wish and play in their teams. Some families like to stick with friends, other families prefer to branch out to make new friends, whilst some follow the family tradition.

With all the disruptions and cancellations last year, let's hope it can all go ahead uncompromised this year.

### **BOT POLICIES TO REVIEW**

Each term there are a number of school policies that need to be reviewed by the BOT. Some of these policies benefit from parent input. If you would like to read and add any changes to the current policies up for review you can do so by:

- 1. Visit the website https://rotoorangi.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm
- 2. Enter the username (rotoorangi) and password (aimhigh).
- 3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
- 4. Read the policy.
- 5. Click the Policy Review button at the top righthand corner of the page.
- 6. Select the reviewer type.
- 7. Enter your name (optional).
- 8. Submit your ratings and comments.

The current policies are in the areas of Health and Safety plus Emergency and Crisis Management. Analysis of your responses will be done starting Monday so please finalise your thoughts by then.

#### **PTA NEWS**

Our PTA have been working hard behind the scenes to pull together this year's amazing Easter Raffle! Details of this will be sent out in the near future, so keep your eyes peeled! We will also see the return of their very popular Easter Egg Jar competition, to guess the number of Easter eggs in the jar.

The PTA will be holding an online meeting next Tuesday at 6.30pm; all whaanau of the school are welcome to join in, so please email the office for the link.

#### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) is a framework that we are introducing in our school. A team of people will be leading its development. We would like to include whaanau/family voice so, if you would like to join the Lead Team to support the purpose of PB4L please contact Mr D. before the end of next week, Friday 25th March.

Purpose - to help create an environment where everyone can experience а sense Belonging/Tuurangawaewae. We will do this by modelling, teaching, learning and rewarding positive behaviours to enhance our relationships. When children feel safe and connected, learning can flourish.

This is not a programme. This is not something that you just implement and "Hey presto. Everyone are angels". lt is а 2-3 year process adapting/changing/adding effective systems developing positive behaviours across the school.

It is a proven method of achieving great results for all children and you have a chance to be a part of that.

The Lead Team needs 1 or 2 parents/maatua with time to meet every 3 weeks during the initial phases, at a mutually agreeable to time, to discuss: how to get this going, how we can support staff, what is working, what isn't, what can we do better, and how successful are we at what we are doing.

This link provides more detail about PB4L: https://pb4l.tki.org.nz/PB4L-School-Wide/What-is-PB4L-School-Wide

#### TE REO CORNER

Now that we have said hello, and are ready to say goodbye, let's do some introductions:

Ko wai to ingoa? - What is your name?

Ko \_\_\_\_\_ is my name.

Kei te peewhea koe? – How are you?

E peewhea ana koe? – How are you?

Kei te pai ahau – Tam good.

E pai ana ahau - I am good

Kei te ora ahau – I am well.

E ora ana ahau - I am well

Kei te maaujui ahau – I am sick

Ask your children how many different ways they can respond to how they are feeling. You will be surprised!

#### **NO TOYS AT SCHOOL PLEASE**

All toys (stuffed animals, cars, figurines etc) are to stay at home. If they are brought for News/Sharing time then they stay in bags for the rest of the day or stay on the teachers desk. Thank you for your cooperation with this.