

Tui Team Newsletter Term 3 2021



Rehu Tai

The school finals for sharing this learning is August the 6th from 9.30. This will involve selected students from each Kaitiaki competing against each other to see who goes forward to the Manurewa Cluster final on the 1st of September (Also at Reremoana).

Cross country/Rod Dixon

Our school cross country competition is to be run on the 30th of July here at school - weather permitting. The top 8 students from each event are eligible for the Rod Dixon programme. If your student is selected a notice will go home about this. MPSSA cross country is also scheduled for Week 6 of this term.

Friends Resilience

We are beginning our weekly Friends Resilience sessions and these will continue until Week 10 the end of the term. Keep a lookout on the team Facebook page to see what is being covered each week. Then you will be able to follow up at home. Please contact Kaitiaki teachers if you have any questions about this programme or its roll out.

Integrated Curriculum Focus

This term the focus of students' inquiry and research projects will be on elements of their personal history and moments in time from New Zealand's national history. We are looking to explore parts of the new N.Z. Histories curriculum and are starting with a unit around Taonga and Tupuna - personal and national. This will involve students identifying and sharing some of their personal histories and the treasures and people that have helped shape them. They will also research a moment in time from New Zealand's history and look at this moment in terms of different perspectives and making connections.

Part of this unit will be some exposure to moments in our national history that have shaped us. Five of these moments we will be covering are; The Treaty of Waitangi and New Zealand wars, the Suffragette movement, the Springbok tour, the Dawn Raids and events at Ihumatao.

As our unit is focussed around events from different perspectives and making connections. As such we would love to hear from anyone who has some knowledge around any of these events and is happy to come in and discuss this with students.

Another element of this unit is sharing personal/national taonga or treasures. We are thinking about creating a virtual museum of items and their precious stories. We understand that these items are precious for a reason and many are not suitable to bring to school and be shared. We would love to see a digital photo or video of the item for students to share.

Visual Arts programme

This term we will be building our skills in Visual Arts. In late Term 4 we are holding a school wide art exhibition. In order to have the skills we need to construct our pieces for this show, we are starting skill building now. We will be working through rotations focusing on digital photography skills, papier mache construction, clay objects and collages and sewing with fabric and fibres.

To successfully complete these projects we will be asking for donations of old fabric items and newspapers. The fabric will be cut up and used to collage images with some elements sewn. The newspaper will be used as part of the construction of the papier mache items.

Ask your children what they have been doing this week - let's hope they find a new passion!

Camp timeline and updates

We are inching ever closer to our amazing, wonderful, stupendous Year 5 and 6 camp in term 4. Some important information to collect from you this term will be health and wellbeing information. We will also be sending out updates to do with payment and equipment lists of what can be taken on camp. Please be on the lookout for this information and return it as promptly as possible. This helps us with our planning.

You will note that in Week 7 of this term we have a Disco planned - this is a disco for students in Years 1-4 - to help fundraise for some things for camp. Tui students will be running this event - not attending for fun. There will be a disco in Term 4 for Years 5-8.

Timeline of some of the important events this term

Please keep an eye on the school newsletter for any changes or updates to these

Week 1	Cross Country
Week 2	3 way conferences Rehu Tai School Final Cook Island language week
Week 3	Teacher only Day Mathex MPSSA - Year 5/6 Netball
Week 4	AIMS Lunch Fundraiser
Week 5	MPSSA - Girls Football Fathers Breakfast
Week 6	MPSSA Cross Country Manurewa Rehu Tai finals
Week 7	Camp Fundraising disco - for years 1-4 (Tui team fundraiser - some will attend to work the event)
Week 8	Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori School Photos
Week 9	
Week 10	Chinese language week

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