

# YEAR 5 TEAM NEWSLETTER - Term 3, 2021

## Year 5

Kia Ora everyone,

Welcome back to Term 3 of 2021.

The Year 5 students have come back from their holidays refreshed and ready to learn. We have many exciting things happening this term, please read carefully below and remember to keep an eye out for any **HERO** communications.

### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3**

#### **Week 1**

29th July - Rippa Rugby POSTPONED

#### **Week 2**

3rd August - Rippa #1 Save a Day

#### **Week 3**

11th August - Basketball Super Cluster

12th August - Digital Technology ICAS

#### **Week 4**

17th August - English ICAS

20th August - Book Battle NIS

20th August - Hockey Super Cluster

#### **Week 6**

2nd September - Rippa Rugby #2

31st August - APPA Choir Rehearsal

1st September - Maths ICAS

Teacher Only Day - September 3

#### **Week 7**

7th September - Rippa Rugby #2 Save a Day

#### **Week 8**

15-17 September - Year 5&6 CAMP Carey Park

#### **Week 9**

23rd September - Swimming Lessons

#### **Week 10**

27, 28, 29 & 30th September - Swimming Lessons

### **Learning for Term 3**

**Mathematics:** We focus on a problem solving and inquiry maths approach. We encourage children to explain and share their strategies for solving problems as a way of enhancing their understanding of mathematical processes and ideas. They will be consolidating their number knowledge and place value understanding as well as building on their multiplication/division/fractions/decimals and percentages. Strand will be linked to Geometry.

**Writing:** The focus for the first part of the term will be informative/report writing and then later on in the term we will look at instructional writing. Students will also be learning about 'Functions' during our topic lessons and writing will be linked to this.

**Reading:** Each class will run its own instructional reading programme to meet the needs of the learners. Where possible we link our reading to other work, particularly topic or inquiry work we are doing in class.

**Inquiry:** Our topic this term is 'Functions'. This is a science topic investigating how things work, looking especially at the physical world. We will cover simple machines and how they work together to make complex machines. Students will create their own functioning machine to show their understanding of this unit.

## **SPORT**

In Term 3, we will be learning winter ball skills.

- How to throw, kick, catch and control a ball with correct technique
- Work individually and with others to develop a skill
- Develop movement skills in challenging situations and describe how these challenges impact on themselves and others.
- Identify risks and their causes and describe safe practices to manage these.

**CAMP** - We will be having our Year 5/6 camp on the 15th to the 17th September. Thank you to those parents who made contact offering to be a parent helper. A list will be posted soon to confirm those who are going and which day/s they will be required. Please make sure you are getting notifications on HERO as communication for camp will be provided via this app. This information is also available via the Camp link on our school website.

**SWIMMING LESSONS** - During Weeks 9 and 10 we will be busing to AUT Millennium for swimming lessons. More information will be sent home closer to the time. There is no cost for the swimming lessons if you have already paid your activity fee.

## **EPRO8**

The PTA have funded eight new ePRO8 kits so the senior school is able to enter into the ePRO8 competitions in November. (This is a science and engineering challenge.) The senior classes are busy learning how to work together so we can organise them into the best groups possible for the competition.

## **SKATEBOARDING**

The Year 5 team has organised a week of skateboarding skills learning, to coincide with our Inquiry topic: complex machines. This will take place in Week 3. (10th-12th of August (Tues-Thurs))

The Year 5 teachers are looking forward to an exciting, enjoyable and productive term. Please feel free to email your classroom teacher for any further information on the above.

Kind regards,

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