



# JUNIOR SYNDICATE Newsletter

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Tena koutou katoa.

A warm welcome to Term 2 and especially all new families in the Junior Syndicate.

After the Lockdown period at home, it is great to be back at school with your wonderful children for face to face learning. Thank you for supporting your child with online programmes and the daily Zoom check-ins which we have found invaluable in keeping us all connected.

This is traditionally a busy time for teachers, gathering information and writing reports in readiness to share with you at the end of term.

We look forward to meeting with you again at parent interviews in week 12, to discuss your child's learning.

Kind regards,

Peg, Sabine, Mel, Simone, Carolyn, Finn, Tracy, Donna, Jo and Natalie

## Term 2 Events:

**Junior Assembly** begins Friday 19 June

**Reports Home** – Friday 26 June

**Parent Interviews** – Tuesday 30 June

*School closes at 2.00pm*

**Last day of Term 2** – Friday 3 July



*Jump Jam in Room 19*



*Fun with Science- Static Electricity!*



Term 2 2020



Covid 19

Learning at school



When we moved to Level 3, some teachers and children were back at school under strict 'social distancing' conditions. The children were placed with a teacher that was not their usual teacher and also with children from different year levels. The teachers and students did a fabulous job of working together and still managing to attend Zoom calls and connect with their teacher and other fellow students.

## Learning at Home

There is a first time for everything! Teachers planning and delivering a programme online and parents/caregivers home schooling. A special thank you to all the students for doing their best to continue their learning at home.







"I rubbed the balloon on my stockings. I held the balloon over my butterfly and its wings were attracted to the balloon."

Sacha Tomlin

## Fun with Science



Continuing from our home learning activity exploring light and shadows, the Junior School have been carrying out experiments that look at types of energy, such as sound energy, static electricity and magnetism. The children are predicting what might happen and using their senses to make careful observations.



WOW!!! Did you see that?





## Digital Technology

The Year 2 classes use their Chromebooks daily and groups carry out Writing, Mathematics and Reading activities. The Year 0 and 1 classes use iPads and explore Number and Literacy activities on them. The children are learning how to look after their devices and what using them responsibly 'looks like'. They have formed a digital treaty together, that the children understand, have agreed to and signed.

## Senior and Middle Buddy Classes

We are fortunate at Henley School to have Middle and Senior pupils who provide great support for our Junior classes. One of the ways they do this, is by pairing up with a Junior student, once a week, in a class buddy system. This allows children to engage in reading, co-operative writing, games and activities that create a caring culture across the school.



Miss Reinert has opened Room 14 during lunch times. It is a great opportunity for children who wish to play and do some quiet inside activities after they have eaten their lunch.



## Fantail Room with Mrs Bowen

We are excited to have our latest New Entrant room started with Mrs Bowen.







## What We Are Studying this Term

<b>Values</b>	Managing Self and Relating to Others
<b>Oral Language</b>	Talk to entertain others and listen for enjoyment
<b>Written Language</b>	Recount events / Retell stories
<b>Reading</b>	Comprehension Strategy: <i>Questioning</i>
<b>Mathematics</b>	Number, Fractions, Measurement topics, Geometry
<b>Physical Education</b>	Cross country running, Jump Jam, Go Noodle
<b>Science</b>	<b>Physical World</b> – Energy. Investigating through hands on experiments
<b>Drama</b>	Role play
<b>Music</b>	Singing, Waiata
<b>Art</b>	Koru patterning
<b>Te Reo</b>	What is your name? <i>Ko wai to ingoa?</i> My name is... <i>Ko....toku ingoa.</i>
<b>Social Science</b>	Celebrations - Queen's Birthday, Matariki
<b>Health</b>	Seesaw/iPads/Chromebooks/Computational thinking-Encoding
<b>Learning Technologies</b>	<b>Year 0-1</b> iPads <b>Year 2</b> Chromebooks

