Ngā Hau e Whā (Yr 3-4)
(The Four Winds)
Term 2, 2019

Tena Koutou Katoa, welcome back to all our Nga Hau e Wha Families.

Term 2 Year 3-4 Focus: Nature of Science
This term to develop our observational, inquiring and critical thinking skills we will be learning about the Nature of Science with a particular focus on Chemistry. Our ‘Big Ideas’ are:

- Understand that scientists ask questions in order to learn more about our world
- Use the language of scientists
- Understand the skill set of scientists

Each Tuesday the students will participate in a science morning.

Student Oral presentations
The students will have a range of opportunities this term to develop their oral language presentation skills. Please look out for notices/emails from your child’s home class teacher about our topics:

- Nursery Rhymes
- Family Cultures and traditions
- Science reports

Cross Country Year 3s - Friday 10th May (pp Monday 13th May)
On Friday 10th May is the Year 3 Cross Country at 9.15am at Hataitai School. This race is in order to prepare students for entering the Yr 4-8 Cross Country the following year. We are seeking some parent marshals for the course. Please show up on the day if you can help. Foot wear—it is imperative that students wear appropriate footwear to school (sneakers and sports shoes) to ensure that they can participate in fitness and P.E. sessions safely. Students are also invited to wear their house colours.

Warm and Appropriate Labelled Clothing
Students are outside at break times in all types of weather. Please help you child/ren to come to school with named, appropriate clothing and footwear.

- Warm, waterproof jacket and footwear (running shoes needed on Fridays)
- Warm hat and possibly gloves

Each week the school lost property (which is located outside Raumati) is emptied and by the next week it is overflowing again! It consists of mostly tops and jackets that get left outside.

Home Learning Update
Please see Term 1 newsletter for guidelines. If you are having trouble fitting in the daily/weekly reading, spelling and numeracy home learning please have a chat with your child’s teacher as we’d be happy to problem solve with you.

Swimming —Mondays starting 6th May at Kilbirnie Aquatic Centre
11:30—1:30pm Year 4 Students
12:30—2:30pm Year 3 Students
Swimming gear required: Togs, towel, goggles, swim cap and a waterproof swimming bag. It makes life so much easier for everyone is everything is named. Students with long hair must have a hair tie and/or swimming cap. If a child is unable to swim due to illness their home-class teacher must be notified.

In Yr 3-4 students are supported and encouraged to self-manage when getting changed in the changing rooms.

Parent Help Needed with:

- Putting away reading books
- Creating classroom displays
- In class assistance (range of curriculum areas)

School Hours

8.30am Teachers in Classrooms

Please make sure that your arrive 8.15—8.45am to:
- Read the message board
- Sign in and/or say good morning to their teacher
- Help set up the classroom
- Return books and book bags
- Spend some time with their friends and classmates
Yr 3-4 Learning Celebration—Friday 3rd July @1.45pm (in the hall)

We warmly invite families to attend our Learning Celebration. The students will showcase their learning, in particular: understandings from our inquiry unit ‘The Nature of Science’ and The Arts—visual and musical. The students will also take you on tours around our learning spaces and discuss other areas of learning covered this term. No R.S.V.P is needed though, we strongly encourage families to attend if they can as it means so much to the students.

Student Records of Achievement (SRoA)

Year 3 students: twice per year (timing dependent on when they started school).

Year 4 students: Term 2 Learning conferences and end of year SRoA.