# Nga Wai Term 4 Newsletter 2018

### Dates for the Diary

- Week 1: Friday School is closed, returns Tuesday of Week 2
- Week 2: Tuesday 23rd October Makahika Camp (Arrive by 8.15am for 8.30am briefing)
- Week 3: Tuesday 30th Hataitai Athletics at Newtown Park
- Week 4: Wednesday 7th November EZ Athletics Newtown Park
- Week 5: Monday & Tuesday Nga Wai Speech Competition
- Week 5: Thursday 15th November Senior Speech Competition
- Week 6: Tuesday 6th November 2019 Road Patrol Training

### Camp Makahika

Thank you for your support in preparing your child/children for our camp.

While we are at camp you will receive a few communications from Jacinta and the office with updates on our progress. I will call the school each day to let them know how we are getting on.

### Term Four Programme

#### Literacy through passions and interests.

Students will be asked to reflect on what they have learned over the year in all areas of school (and possibly out of school) and then choose an area of particular interest to them. Through our reading and writing programme we will support students to carry out a small inquiry project where they will try to answer questions they create, providing them with a broad knowledge of the topic. Students are in the process of learning more about different forms of persuasive writing, and will combine this with their learning from inquiry to write and deliver a persuasive speech. We ask that you do not write the speech at home with your child as this is a school task. You can support them at home by encouraging them to do further research, or interview a friend/relative, or to watch documentaries over Week 3 and 4 so they are bursting with knowledge and ready to write a speech!

#### Maths Programme

We will be reviewing and consolidating the numeracy concepts learnt throughout the year. The final term of the year brings the requirement to assess the students' ability to use mental strategies to solve a variety of mathematical problems. This assessment is completed orally, one on one, to ensure students can achieve to the best of their abilities.

#### Homework

This term students will continue with the homework book. Schedules will be up in classrooms in Week 1 and available on the school website by the end of Week 2.

Please note there are no set Oral Language presentations this term however, as our speeches take precedence. You can support your child by talking to them about their speech topic, and closer to the time practising at home.

## Student Leadership

This term our Year 6 Leaders will be asked to role model to the Year 5 apprentices, and support them to learn about the things they have been doing this year as Nga Wai Leaders. If you have a child in Year 5 please encourage them to put themselves forward for this opportunity when it arises mid-term.

Road Patrol: Training for this Year 7 and 8 leadership role will take place for our Year 6 students in Week 6, Tuesday 6th November, of the term. Students will be asked to sign up and should think about whether they can commit to the role as they will be allocated some days a term where they have to be available from 2.55 - 3.15pm.

# Artsplash



In Term 3 we thoroughly enjoyed the Artsplash events and experience. We are very thankful to all the parents who helped with the gathering and delivering resources.

We hope you enjoyed the process, exhibitions and performances.

#### PE and Health

We will provide our students with sessions of touch rugby coaching with an eye to entering teams in the school competition in Term One 2019. As the term progresses, we will explore fitness and stamina, focusing on cardio and core exercise, using circuits.

The Sexuality Road Programme: The programme will start in Week 3 and run on Mondays and Tuesdays. We will have a Circle Time session on a Wednesday morning to support students to discuss any concerns, questions or worries they might have. Last year we ran an in-depth parent consultation and resources were available to be viewed. If you would like to review any of the resources, please pop in to see your homeclass teacher.

Kind Regards,

The Nga Wai Team