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Tēnā koutou

As the weather is decidedly cooler this week, the preparations for ski day in two weeks from today are heating up. Hopefully, people are finding the warm winter/wet gear in readiness for this. If you are finding this challenging please don't hesitate to sing out to your classroom teacher and ask for help, they might be able to connect you with someone to borrow something from. We have a few items for borrowing here in a box at the front office.

There seem to be a few nasty winter bugs floating around at the moment, hopefully they move onto another place soon. Just a little reminder that if your child is vomiting or having diarrhoea please keep them away from school for 48hrs after their last event. Equally, please send a communication to the office nice and early.

On a personal note I wanted to say a huge thank you to the community for all the support of me and my swimming challenge over the past month. 50km over July. The messages and donations received over the month and especially after the article in the Marlborough Express. I started the Challenge after hearing a motivational speaker who had a message that works well for any individual or learner, " Because the best you can do is the best you can do - but to get the best out of yourself you need to commit to a tough goal."

Ngā mihi mahana
Nic Walker
Tumuaki - Principal

Term 3

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 3 05 - 09 AUG		Tech - Kowhai			
		School Interviews	School Interviews	School Interviews	
Week 4 12 - 16 AUG				Assembly - Makomako	School Ski Trip!!
Week 5 19 - 23 AUG		Tech - Kowhai			
Week 6 26 - 30 AUG					Daffodil Day
					Assembly - Manuka
Week 7 02 - 06 SEPT		Tech - Kowhai			
Week 8 09 - 13 SEPT					Assembly - Tī Kōuka
Week 9 16 - 20 SEPT		Tech - Kowhai			
		Music Festival Performance			
	Maori Language Week	Maori Language Week	Maori Language Week	Maori Language Week	Maori Language Week
Week 10 23 - 27 SEPT					End of Term 3
					Assembly - Rewarewa

Ti Kōuka

Leah Waddington - Year 0 - 1



This week we have had a social focus on taking turns properly when playing games, and being a good loser/good winner. We are also working on using inside voices when we're inside, and saving our excited loud voices for when we are outside.



Reading: Each student has a different literacy focus with their reading groups. They will also spend some time every day reading to themselves either from their book box, or from a book in our cozy corner library.



Writing: We have been consolidating our knowledge of syllables, and using our learned knowledge to help us spell longer words. The students have also made monsters, and are writing stories about them. This includes descriptions, and an idea about what their monster likes to do. Some fun ideas have been "going to the arcade and winning all the games...creeping around at night time...and one boy has a monster that has eaten him and his friend!!! In our independent writing area, the students also have a focus on writing independently until the bell rings.



Maths: We have a whole class focus on counting groups of objects by counting in 2s or 5s, instead of counting by 1s. We are also looking at numbers as words and learning to immediately recognize the word. Some students are also looking at subtraction, while others are learning how to instantly add onto 10, and then add onto 9.

Student of the Week

Freddie Millar
Asher Franken

Congratulations!

Ngā Mihi,
Leah

Manuka

Sarah Kerr - Year 4

Kia ora e te whanau,

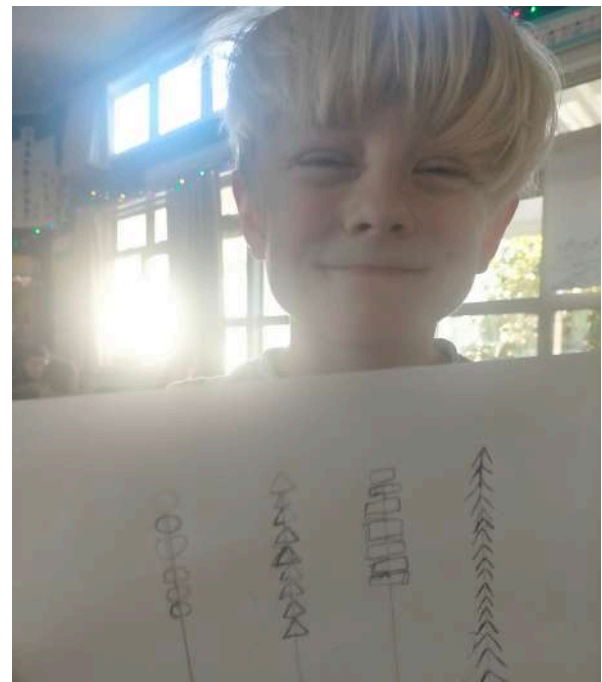
Yay for week rua! Thank you for getting homework back and keeping up with reading. I am in class all next week, which will be awesome.

Our new calm room, Taha Hingarō was introduced by Gemma Hunt, our RTLB with a focus on giving us somewhere to go when we 'flip our lids' or need to calm our amygdala. We also can do a good 'hot chocolate breath' to calm ourselves.

We have been practising connecting both our brain hemispheres by drawing four vertical lines and adding shapes that can be drawn with both hands simultaneously. It would be a good activity to practise at home.

Finally as a Friday celebration we were joined by Rewarewa this afternoon to do some directed drawing using videos from You tube. A highly satisfying and really collaborative listening activity.

Ngā mihi,
Sarah



Student of the Week
Lucy Hooper
Congratulations!

Rewarewa

Julian Mason - Year 5 - 6



A log flew into the pool of water making the water fly up like a firework. It sounded like a thousand pieces of paper crunching up. "Come on Abi, it's our turn" says Abi's Mum. Abi slowly climbed up the stairs of the water park. It was a beautiful afternoon. The sun reflected on the water like a million diamonds dancing. She had butterflies in her stomach as she climbed onto the log. The log reached the end of the dip and...

• Kate

There was a loud sound like a gunshot. Everyone in the building started running and screaming. As Jessica started sprinting away there was an explosion and the ground behind her started crumbling and there was smoke and what looked like a fireball was catching up to her.

• Mason



Student of the Week

Ajax Shepherd

Congratulations!

Kia ora e te whānau,

I can't believe how fast the week has gone. We have been able to keep up our fitness routines despite the bad weather, got back into playing our ukuleles, set a record time for our maths loops cards and have been learning some te reo Māori greetings and numbers.

In literacy we have had a big focus on creative writing, especially adding detail to 'set the scene' based on a picture they chose. This has taken a lot of discussion and rewriting but we have had some interesting beginning to a story coming through.

Congratulations to Kate Anderson, Aaron Mundy, Neve Banks, Dean Phillips, Quinn te Kurapa and Charlotte Palmer for being our Year 5 & 6 representatives at the Marlborough Cross Country Champs. Finally a big shout out to our amazing Jump Jam team who compete tomorrow. They have been putting in lots of mahi and are ready to do us proud.

Have a great weekend - Julian

Kowhai

Aaron Harrison - Year 7 - 8

Kia ora e te Wāhau,

We have fun in kōwhai this week, the floor is covered with metal tubing, car designs and mixed in lego for stop motion movies.

The Evolocity groups are steaming on ahead, we have been laying out the piping to ensure there was enough and the kids are happy with the shape of their vehicles. One of the teams has had to change their concept from their original thoughts.

Why do we have lego involved? The kids have chosen their passion projects for our theme this term of "My idea, My expression". The students have chosen a vast range of thinkings they are doing from lego stop motion, photography, creating a music video, to writing and performing their own song. Needless to say this why the room is looking like a bomb has hit it.

I took the Cross Country runners to the Marlboroughs yesterday and they gave everything to the races. Really proud of them going up some tough competition and persevered around the course. A big paki paki to them.

Have a wonderful weekend- Mr H



Student of the Week

Alex Rickerby
Nui Johnson

Congratulations!

Congratulations Mr Walker!

Mr Walker swam 50 kilometres throughout July. He was In the pool every single day, doing something great for himself, while raising money for CoastGuard.



If you haven't already, check out the article the Marlborough Express wrote about Mr Walker - published Thursday 01 August!

PTA

Kia Ora e te Whānau!

Tua Marina PTA are pleased to let everyone know that the money raised from the disco is going towards new golden sand for our sandpit! On Tuesday 13th August, Tony's Trash Trucks will be delivering golden sand to school approximately 3.15pm.

We would appreciate if some adults could be there with shovels and rakes (and possibly wheelbarrows) to help move the sand to the sandpit. Ngā mihi nui, thank you to our kura whānau for your support! Ngā mihi nui, thank you Tony for delivering our new sand!



Ski Trip 16 August 2024

There is snow on the Maunga and we are busy planning the final details of the school ski trip.

A transport notice was sent home this week and it would make Amy's life much easier if everyone could return it by today.

There is a large tub of spare ski clothing in the office which tamariki are welcome to borrow.

Please write in the notebook a record of clothing you have taken.

Nga mihi Amy and Sarah



OMAKA OBSERVATORY

ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

MONTHLY MEETING

Saturday 3 August 2024
The Blenheim Club - 92 High Street

6:00pm Junior Astronomers
Living in Space - Semantha will be looking at stars and constellations as well as a favourite constellation making activity

7:00pm All Welcome
String Theory - Back by popular demand
Antony Gomez will be returning for a talk on String Theory and Quantum Gravity

Followed by telescope viewing at the Blenheim Club (weather permitting)

For inquiries contact:
Emily Barraclough
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Jessica Tepania -Kopua

**Sadly in the school holidays a wonderful Tuamarino teacher 2019 - 2021
Jess Kopua died, after a short battle with cancer.**

Her children Izzy, Marley and Asher are being well cared for by their Dad Tama, and their amazing grandparents, Raywen and Dave. We would like to make a collection to support Izzy, Marley and Asher's future education and care. If you would like to contribute please contact Amy in the office, Gemma Franken or Sarah Kerr.

We would also like to make a collection of memories of Jess's time at Tuamarino for her whanau. If you have any pictures or videos of Jess , Izzy, Marley or Asher that have not been loaded on Seesaw please could you share them with Whaea Sarah. sarah@tuamarina.school.nz

Moe mai ra e hoa Jess.



SCHOOL CHICKEN ORDERS 2024

Baby chicks are back! Lambs, calves, daffodils and CHICKS...Spring is a great time of the year! Orders are now being taken for this year's one day old Brown Shaver chicks. When grown these will be laying machines!



A wonderful way to get the kids out of the house and teach the importance of compassion and dedication.

-Chicks are sold in units - each unit contains 4 chicks and costs \$40 per unit.

-Orders need to be in at your school office by Wednesday 28th August- *no late entries will be accepted sorry-this is out of our control*

-A care book will be provided, and children will be expected to complete a pets diary on raising their chickens.

-Children will be able to compete at School Pets Day, Group Day and the Marlborough A+P with their chicks if they wish.

-The approximate date for hatching is Mon 2nd September.

-The approximate date they are arriving in Blenheim is Tues 3rd September and will be picked up by your school coordinator Laura, she will contact you regarding pick up closer to the time.

----- ORDER FORM:

Name _____ Who will be
collecting _____

School _____

Telephone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Number of units (4 chicks/unit) _____

Total paid \$ _____ Paid ___/___/2024 (\$40 per unit)

Internet Banking Only (No cash)

MBGA 03-0599-0290525-00 **(PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT THE SCHOOLS BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER)** Please put your first and last name and how many units bought as a reference