

Trentham School Te Roopu Patu

Newsletter

Term 2 2021, 3 May - 8 July



Trentham School

Empowered Learners for the Future

Kia ora koutou katoa!

Welcome back to Trentham School for Term 2. We hope you all enjoyed your holiday and your children are feeling refreshed and ready for learning. We would like to welcome any new children to Trentham School and we hope that you enjoy being part of Te Roopu Patu. Below are some of the things that will be happening this term.

Integrated-Inquiry: This term we continue our focus on Mana Motuhake which we will link to developing independence, autonomy and agency, understanding how conflict and loss impact us all.

Big Idea: How does history impact contemporary life? Many current social and political issues relate to mana motuhake, in this case the restoration of Māwai Hakona stream. The story of the land and environment around us is connected to decisions of the past.

Big Question: How do we restore the mana and the mauri of this place?

As part of our inquiry we hope to visit Māwai Hakona stream and also Whirinaki Whare Taonga (formerly Expressions) to visit the exhibition 'TE ARA: STORIES OF OUR STREETS', which is the pre-European history of Upper Hutt.

Value of the Term: Compassion - Manaaki whenua, manaaki tangata, haere whakamua. Care for the land, care for people, go forward.

Trentham School Vision: GROW - Growth, Relationships, Ownership, Wonder

- Work independently and collaboratively
- Connect with others to build and maintain strong working relationships and a sense of belonging
- Have self-identity and respect for their own and others' cultures
- Source knowledge to become creators of new knowledge and ideas

Literacy: This will be linked to integrated-inquiry where it fits best. We will be writing to persuade - to convince someone of something, to create.

Numeracy: Measurement - Length, Area, Perimeter; Number - Fractions; Statistics.

The Arts: Kapa Haka, Rad Rhythm percussion and Visual Art that links to our Integrated-Inquiry. We will use Thursday afternoon for rotations so students who opt into Nga Mana o Purehurehu will practise during this slot while the other students spend 3 weeks on each rotation - Kapa Haka, Rad Rhythm drumming, Rad Rhythm bottles percussion.

Health and Physical Education: Hauora (Health) involves the physical, social, mental and spiritual aspects of well being. This term we will continue with the 'Te Whare Tapa Wha' model and how it relates to students personally. There will be daily fitness and a couple of longer sessions a week involving games and activities. Sensible footwear is important, especially during our daily physical activity. Your child also needs to make sure that they have a warm jacket to wear in the playground.

Team Assembly: Our Patu Team assemblies will usually be held on Friday afternoons fortnightly on odd weeks of the term at 1.45 p.m. in the Hall - Weeks 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9. Parents are welcome to attend. Whole school assemblies will be held at 9 a.m. on Friday in Weeks 5 and 10.

Health: If your child is unwell, please keep them at home so they can get the rest they need to recover. If your child has a tummy bug they should be kept away from school for at least 48 hours (and 24 hours after they last showed signs of illness) so as to not pass on any bugs to others in their class. Please check your child's hair for head lice and treat it if they have them.

Property: In the past we have had some issues around personal belongings at school. All items that students bring to school need to be named and put in the correct place i.e. desks or bags. Students need to take responsibility for their own belongings. We recommend that toys are not brought to school but if they are, students bring them at their own risk. If a student needs to bring a cellphone to school, their teacher will lock it away until 3 p.m. Students in Years 5/6 that are bringing their own device to school will need to ensure that they lock it up as soon as they get to school.

We are looking forward to a fantastic term and would certainly value any help and support you can give us both in and out of the classroom. Keep an eye on our Seesaw posts for updates on what is happening.

Please feel free to email your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions, comments or concerns. We would appreciate having an email contact for all families to make it easier to contact you and to ensure you receive all school newsletters.

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