

Kapa Toru News

Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers,

Brrr it's been very cold in Wellington these holidays. Whether you stayed in Wellington or went away we hope you enjoyed the winter break. We are looking forward to a busy Term 3. We will be involved in a wide range of activities related to Social Studies and Health. We will focus on the different reasons people make journeys and explore the history, culture, food, language, tourist activities, geography and wildlife of South American countries.

Another journey we will also be learning about is our life journey and the physical changes that our bodies go through. This Thursday from 7:30pm in the library Team 3 invite you to a parent information evening to hear about The Sexuality Road Programme we will be teaching this term.

Term 3: Health: The Sexuality Road Programme

As part of our Health topic we will be participating in the Sexuality Road programme produced by the Family Planning Organisation. A letter outlining the content of the Year 5 and Year 6 programme is also going home today. If you do not wish your child to participate in these lessons please let your child's class teacher know and an alternative programme will be organised. Do come along to the information evening to hear about the programme and have your questions answered. Scott Waring-Flood from the Family Planning Clinic will be presenting information about the programme.

Social Studies: Journeys Going Global

Going Global is a Social Studies inquiry investigating a range of South American countries that are holiday destination choices. The students will explore why people travel to these places and what they see and learn about another country and culture. They will research the particular food, customs, traditions, wildlife, climate, landscape and natural features that are unique to their selected location. The students will set up a South American holiday destination in their classroom simulating the country's cultural and festive environment, provide sightseeing opportunities and offer food experiences for travellers. If anyone has travelled to any South American countries or has contacts related to our topic please let your child's class teacher know. We would love to hear from some experts to share their experiences and answer our questions.

Homework

Homework will be beginning in Week 2 as we wanted to introduce our Social Studies topic before presenting the homework challenges. There is a homework notice in their Google Drive highlighting homework expectations this term.

Maths

This term we will be covering the following topics:

Weeks 1—4: Addition and Subtraction

Weeks 5—6: Geometry—Transformations

Weeks 7—10 : Multiplication and Division

There are lots of lessons and games in the student's maths folders in their Google Drive to support their learning at home.

PE and Team Sport

Weeks 1 - 2: Large Ball Skills

Weeks 4—7: Hockey

Week 8—10: Large ball skills

P.E. and Team Sport will be on a Monday. Please ensure your child comes to school with suitable footwear and clothing to enable them to join in the activities.

Important dates to mark on your calendar:

ICAS English - Tuesday 1 August

ICAS Maths – Tuesday 15 August

Community Assembly - Friday 29 September

Kind regards

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