



Kiwi Connection

Growing Together As One

NEWSLETTER

Kia ora koutou e te whānau

Welcome to Week 3 Term 2

KC News

This term has got off to a very enjoyable and busy start.

We have been lucky enough to be involved in both Gymnastics and Swimming. Please remember to send togs and towels each day. We are impressed at how well the children have been looking after their belongings - it really helps to have all items named. We still have one more week of swimming!

Last Friday our Nest students were the RRS Assembly hosts. They showed how well they can count - both forwards and backwards, and also how they can sing and dance.

Our Inquiry - "What's in my lunchbox?" is taking us many directions - some of us have talked about healthy food, some of us have talked about food from other countries around the world and some of us have talked about origins of food. There will be much more learning yet to come.

On Tuesday our Hub students participated in The Body Worlds Vital exhibition. This was a fascinating experience for the tamariki and is helping to guide our inquiry. We would like to share a few of our wonderings with you.

"Why was Body Worlds created?"

"Who created Body Worlds and were they smart?"

"How does our body grow like this?"

"How did it all start?"

"The muscles look like they are wove together. Does nature do this? How long does it take?"

Please have a look at our Wonder Wall before and after school. Even better come and see it at our whānau open morning on Tuesday 29th May. It's huge!



**Here are our wonderings after the exhibition.
Please come and have a closer look.**

The Village move to the beautiful renovated building is approaching fast. Our first full day in the space is Monday 28th May. Our Treasure Hunt of Learning - whānau open morning on Tuesday 29th May will be an ideal opportunity for parents to explore the renovated space with your child.



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You will notice that our rooms are looking a bit bare as we prepare for this move. There are lovely wall spaces for displays in the new area and we are sure you will enjoy seeing our students' learning when we get there.

Nest Assembly

Our KC nest students hosted our assembly and performed counting up to 20 and back. Not to mention the dance moves. Homai te pakipaki.



Monday we all enjoyed a visit from a kiwi author, Phil Millett. He entertained us with some of the stories he has written and some of us helped to act these stories for the audience. The session closed with some thoughtful questions from the students and also a thank you to Phil from Thomas and Jock (well done boys).



PB4L Focus

What is bullying? What does it do? How can we make our school bully free? [Respect for self and others] We are working hard to keep our school bully free. "Together we can stop bullying at our school".

Many of us have already earned stickers for our sticker charts. We are off to a great start to term two with our learning and behaviour. We look forward to being able to choose our rewards.

Dates To Diary:

Friday 25th May: Quiz Night - Please see our school Facebook page for details

Tuesday 29th May: Treasure Hunt of Learning Whānau Open Morning 9:00 to 11:30am

What will the *Treasure Hunt of Learning* look like?

- You are welcome anytime from 9:00am to 11:00 am in the classrooms and to join your child for morning tea.
- Your child will look forward to celebrating aspects of their learning with you. This could be related to a



This week is Book Week. We have several activities to focus on books and reading. On



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reflection on their inquiry, a piece of writing or a piece of their art work.

Please ask your child questions about their learning and school life.

- During this time you are welcome to ask your child's teacher questions related to this learning. You may also be asked to read with a small group of children

We look forward to your participation. Please come along and join us to share our learning and school life.

Reminders

Gardening Club is on Wednesday lunchtimes (weather permitting). All students are welcome. All tools are provided.

We are very fortunate to be able to visit our school library each week. Your child may begin to bring home library books from next week onwards. Please familiarise yourself with your child's library day and help them to return their books each week. We cannot borrow new books if we do not return our previous issues.

We are a **'water only'** school. School staff will be reminding children of this and will also remove drinks other than water from children. They will be asked to take it home.



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