

Room 3 Camp - The Farm



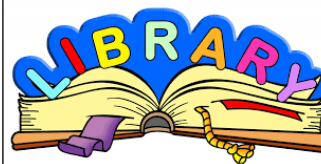
Dear Parents/Caregivers, Tena Koutou Katou

1) Uniform

Just a reminder that school polo shirts are compulsory and **MUST** be worn daily. The school has a few school tee shirts available for those times when the polo shirt is at Nan's or in the wash, but we envisage this as an occasional occurrence rather than the norm (especially as we do need to launder them daily). Some students think that plain black singlets or camisoles are permissible but this is not the case. Plain black sweatshirts/cardigans can be worn in place of the polar fleece but all students need to wear either the yellow or black polo shirt. Hats will be worn this term and they must be our school hats and not caps or beanies.

2) Staffing for 2017

Over the last week or two I have been approached by parents about class teachers and class structures for next year. At this present time the staffing arrangements for next year have not been finalised. We have classroom teaching positions advertised in the Education Gazette which closed on Friday. The board and senior management will be working on the selection process over the next few weeks. Once the selection process for the classroom teaching positions has occurred, I will inform you about class levels and actual classroom teachers for 2017.



3) Library News

We have a lovely library at our school and all children are allowed to take out 3 books at a time. Each class visits the library at least once each week and there are student librarians on duty at lunch times. So encourage your children to bring books home to read and to share with their whanau. I would like to say a huge thank you to all our volunteers who have been covering our new books for us over the last few months. We need some new volunteers to start covering our new books or helping to do other library duties. If you are interested in covering books you will be taught what to do, then you could either do the covering at school or take them home and cover

them at your leisure (you could also be the first to read them!!). Please let the office or Ms Smaill know if you are able to help. Thank you.

FIVE REASONS TO READ TO YOUR CHILD

1. Because when you share a book and hold them, they'll know you love them.
2. Because sharing books brings you closer together and builds for the future.
3. Because it gives you something to talk about with your child.
4. Because it will expand their vocabulary and encourage them to talk.
5. Because reading to them will encourage them to become readers.

4) Class Camps

The last of our camps for this year are at Aroha Island and they have let us know they are having a great time with fantastic weather. They are due back tomorrow around 2.30ish. I would like to thank all those parents who are taking time to attend these camps. I would also like to acknowledge all the teachers of these classes for the extra effort and work they have put into planning these camps.

AROHA ISLAND CAMP - DAY 1



5) Western Zone Athletics

Today we sent a large contingent of students to participate at the Western Zone Athletics Day. We will then receive confirmation of those students who have placed in the top 3 and they will represent the zone at the Far North Athletics Day on **Friday 4th November**. We will send out this information with these students as soon as we receive it. Watch this space for results next week.

6) Assessments

In the next few weeks our assessments will start with AsTTle writing, and then with reading and maths in the following two weeks. Please ensure your children attend for these important assessments which assist our teachers in making over all judgements in relation to whether your child is meeting the National Standards and whether they have met their learning goals.

Kia Ora
Jackie Osborne
Tumuaki/
Principal

BREAKFAST CLUB

Do you have time to assist? If you do please let us know. We would love to hear from you.



IMPORTANT DISCO NOTICE

**YOU MUST PICK UP YOUR CHILD AT EITHER 5PM OR 7PM.
CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ABLE TO WALK HOME WITHOUT ADULT SUPERVISION.**

Halloween Disco

Monday 31 October
Rarawa Rugby Club

\$3 or
\$5 family

Food and drinks
available to
purchase

4-5pm Juniors & U5s
5-7pm Middles up

Ahipara Primary School PTA Fundraiser