

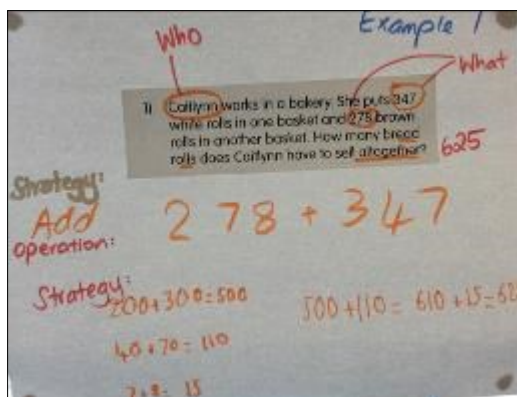
Room 3 - Awesome Learning in Maths

Questions about Awesome Learning in Maths...

1. Before we started our Awesome Group, what was your attitude towards Maths like? Did you enjoy it or not? Why? What did you find challenging/hard?
2. Over the last term and this term, what has changed for you in Maths? What have you learned to do?
3. What has made the biggest difference to your learning and understanding about Maths?
4. Has your attitude changed about Maths?
5. How is what you have learned going to help with your next learning steps?
6. Finish this sentence and use one word to describe Maths. Maths is...

Robbie

1. Yes. I like Maths. I find decimals and fractions challenging.
2. Easier strategies for working out word problems.
3. Learning to work out problems using step by step has made it easier.
4. Yes. I think Maths is getting easier.
5. Finding easier ways to work out problems.
6. Maths is... the Best!



Angel

1. I didn't like Maths. I find starting with fractions, decimals, and trying to work out word problems quite hard.
2. Converting fractions into decimals. I've learned how to use multiplication, division, addition and subtraction to work out word problems.
3. Word problems are easier to work out because we have learned a step by step way to work out.
4. Yes. It is way better.
5. I know how to do more things now and can try and learn harder things.
6. Maths is... Awesome!

Jayvian

1. I enjoyed maths mostly. Some stuff was challenging - testing, timetables, division.
2. I've learned all of my times tables. I've learned about fractions - like equivalent. I've learned multistep problems - easier steps to work out word problems.
3. Working out problems. Ways to work them out and strategies. Breaking stuff down.
4. Yes. I like it more now.
5. Backing me up. Helping me when I get to parts (in word problems) where I've learned will be easier to understand.
6. Maths is... Exciting!



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Dear Parents/Caregivers, Tena Koutou Katoua

1) Year 4-8 Western Zone Cross Country

Our annual Western Zone Cross Country will be held on **Tuesday 29th August 2017** at **Pukepoto School**. The first ten placegetters in each event will be eligible to attend the Far North Schools Cross Country Finals at **Peria School** on **Friday 8th September**.

All students are now running in AGE GROUPS not in class levels.

The following are approximate times only! - NOTE: AGE AT 1st JANUARY

2017

Assemble on bottom field by 9.30am before walking the course.

10.00am	8 year old boys	1.5 km
10.10am	8 year old girls	1.5 km
10.25am	9 year old boys	2.5 km
10.40am	9 year old girls	2.5 km
10.55am	10 year old boys	2.5 km
11.15am	10 year old girls	2.5 km
11.30am	11 year old boys	3 km
11.45am	11 year old girls	3 km
12.00pm	12+ year old boys	3 km
12.15pm	12+ year old girls	3 km

There will be sausages (\$2) and drinks (\$1) for sale on the day.

2) Junior Cross Country

The Junior Cross Country will be held at Pukepoto School on **Tuesday 5th September, 10am (Year 0 - 3)**. This will involve all students from Rooms 1, 2, 7 and 8. If you do not wish your child to participate please inform the class teacher or the office. There will be a sausage sizzle (\$2) available on the day. They will be assembling on the field at 10.00am and will then be walking the course.

Children will be running in 'Ages at 1st January.'

Runs and times are as follows.

5 year old boys	10.30 am
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5 year old girls	10.40 am
6 year old boys	11.00 am
6 year old girls	11.10 am
7 year old boys	11.20 am
7 year old girls	11.30 am

3) Ahipara School 'Speech Festival' 2017

As most parents/caregivers will be aware, our pupils have been working hard on preparing speeches as part of the current literacy programme this term. We will have trophies for each level and I believe we will have a special guest judge on the day. Syndicates will be holding semi finals to find out who will progress through to the finals. Our finals will be held on Tuesday 12th September. We welcome all parents and caregivers to what promises to be an entertaining afternoon. **Please if you have speech trophies could you return them to the school as soon as possible.**

4) Book Week

Friday: Dress Up Day - Who is your favourite book character?

Dress up as someone that you aspire to be or your favourite character. There will be a parade at 9am and prizes for best costumes.

5) Room 3 & 4 Camp Fundraiser

Room 3 and 4 will be selling lunches next **Wednesday 16th August**. They will also be selling raffle tickets at the office. Look out for lunch order forms and raffle info next week.

6) Gala 2017

'Gala Day' this year is **Saturday 11th November**. Planning for this years gala are well underway. Unfortunately we were unable to secure the 'Rock Up' activities but we have secured entertainer extraordinaire **Dion Hobson**. Our PTA committee are after ideas for stalls whether it be food, craft or game stalls. All ideas will go in the draw to win a 6 pack of cupcakes by 'Clarks Cakes'. This will be drawn at Monday mornings assembly, so get your ideas in quick.

Gala Stall Idea

Childs Name & Room:

Kia Ora
Jackie Osborne
Tumuaki/Principal

A Parent's Guide to ENCOURAGING A GROWTH MINDSET

What is a growth mindset?

Growth mindset is a concept developed by Carol Dweck, a Professor of Psychology at Stanford University. It is the belief that a person's abilities and intelligence can be developed through practice, hard work, dedication, and motivation.

What is a fixed mindset?

A **fixed mindset** is the notion that intelligence and talent alone will lead to success. People with a fixed mindset believe that these things are "fixed" and cannot be developed or improved upon. They believe that you are either born with it or not, and nothing can change that.

Why is having a growth mindset important?

Research has shown that children who have a fixed mindset are more likely to:

- Fear failure
- Give up on tasks they feel are too difficult
- Ignore feedback
- Avoid challenges
- Feel threatened by the success of others

Children who have a growth mindset are more likely to:

- Learn from their mistakes
- Be motivated to succeed
- Put forth more effort
- Take challenges head on
- Take risks
- Seek feedback
- Learn more
- Learn faster

