

YEAR 3 AND 4 SYNDICATE

TERM 3 NEWSLETTER 2016



Monday 25th July, 2016



Nau mai, welcome back!

Welcome back to another exciting, action-packed term. A special welcome to Kate O'Leary who is teaching in Room 11 for the remainder of the year. Kate has been busy during the break and we are excited about having her join our team. We also welcome our new Korean students Dahui in Room 14 and Seungwoo (Michael) in Room 13. This is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to learn from each other and grow as global citizens. We look forward to getting to know you and sharing our wonderful school with you. Welcome to Kobe Taylor who is joining Room 12.

Home –School Partnerships: Strong home-school partnerships are greatly valued at Tauriko School as they make a positive contribution to children's learning. Open lines of communication help to keep everything flowing so pop in to the class, send us an email or leave a comment on our class blogs. We appreciate help from parents, so if you can help us in any way to support our programmes, we'd really appreciate it. Thanks!

Home Learning: In line with current best practise, our Home Learning consists of spelling words, daily reading and Mathletics. Children will have spelling words to learn each week that will be tested and are encouraged to read at home each day. We ask that book bags be used to carry readers, library books and Home Learning books/ poem books. We want to establish routines around bringing book bags etc. every day. There are additional opportunities and ideas for Home Learning on the school website.

Roald Dahl: Our author of the term is Roald Dahl who was born 100 years ago this September. To celebrate we will be immersing ourselves in all things 'Dahlicious'. We will be studying his literature and looking for inspiration for machines to create for Ag Day next term. If you have any great ideas or resources to support our 'Dahlicious' inquiry or machines investigations we'd be very grateful.

Rio Olympics: We begin the term with our Olympic Inquiry, which will involve current events, learning about the Olympic traditions and a study into another culture. We are learning to celebrate what makes each culture the same and different. Each class has a different country and our inquiry will culminate in and International Day Tuesday 16th August.

Room 11: France

Room 12: Japan

Room 13: Italy

Room 14: Germany

It would be a great chance to support our students with their Olympic inquiry by watching/ reading the news and discussing current events relating to the Olympic games. If you have anything that would help us learn more about each of the above countries we'd really appreciate it.

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Tuesday - Mandarin

Wednesday - Recorder/Marimba

Thursday – 1:45pm – Year 1-4
Assembly weeks 2,4,6and 8
Hui Time 1:45pm weeks 1,3,5,7
and 9 - Tauriko Hall

LIBRARY DAYS:

R11 – Monday 1:05 -1:35

R12 – Friday 10:40 – 11:10

R13 – Friday 9:45 – 10:15

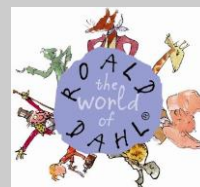
R14 – Friday 1:05 -1:35

TERM 3 TOPICS

INQUIRY – Rio Olympics /
International Day / Simple
Machines

MATHS – Addition and
Subtraction, Proportions and
Ratios, Problem-Solving,
Statistical investigations,
Transformations

ENGLISH – Persuasive writing,
speeches, poetry reading and
writing, Roald Dahl literature



HEALTH AND P.E – Move It
(gymnastics – Argos gym) Pass It

THE ARTS – Marimba/Recorder,
Visual arts –modelling, sketching,
calendar art

LANGUAGES – Te Reo
Maori/Mandarin

WISH LIST

NEEDED:

Box of tissues per child (please send these
along if you haven't already- its THAT time
of the year!)

Stand Up and Speak Out Celebration: As part of our literacy programme this term we will be reading and writing poems. The Year 3s will be learning a poem to recite in front of the class and the Year 4s will be writing and presenting a speech. Each class will have students selected to share their presentation at the Year 1-4 Stand Up and Speak Out Celebration on Wednesday 17th August.

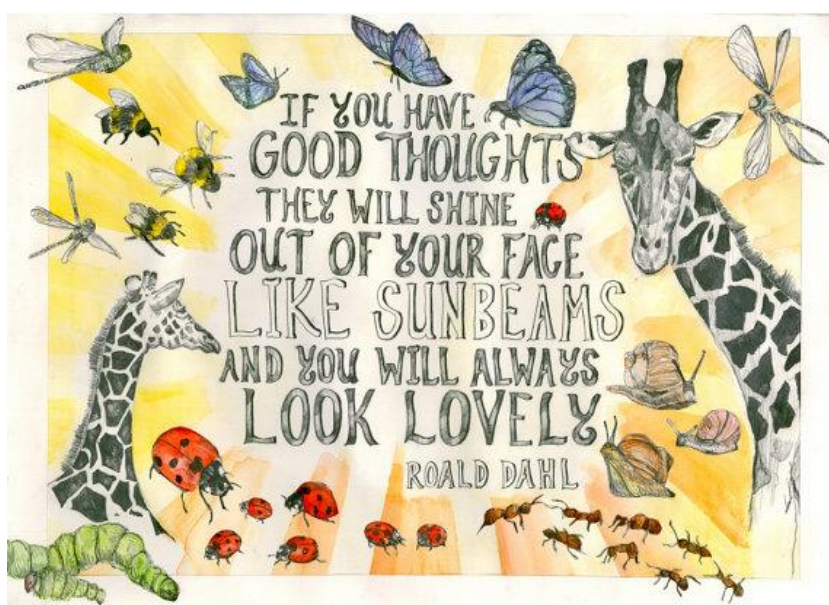
Argos Gym: Due to a shortage of space at school we have decided to use the facilities at Argos Gym this term. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to work with expert gym trainers on the best equipment. Thanks to the PTA for subsidising this awesome learning experience. We will be attending Fridays 29th July, 12th and 19th August. Thanks to those parents who are helping with transport.

This is going to be another busy, exciting term filled with learning opportunities of every kind. We look forward to working with you as we grow our learners, and continue to make the “magic in the Middle.”

Kind Regards,

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UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEK 1

First day of school- Monday 25th July
Learning Partnership meetings Tuesday 26th / Thursday 28th July
Argos Gym – Friday 29th July

Week 2

Aomori group from Japan at school from Monday - Thursday

Week 3

Mon 8th Aug: Whanau Hui, 3pm
Wed 10th Aug: Future Ferns Netball Taster Sessions - Year 1-4
Friday 12th Aug: Argos Gym

WEEK 4

Tuesday 16th August
International Day
Wednesday 17th August - Stand Up Speak Out Poetry and Speech Celebration (Year 1 - 4)
Friday 19th August: Argos Gym

WEEK 8

Enviro Week

Week 9

Friday 23rd September - Last day of Term 3
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS