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Kakariki Team Newsletter - Term 3, 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome to Term 3! We had an action packed Term 2 - with Camp for the Year 6's, our Year 5 EOTC week, lots of Science learning about Planet Earth and Beyond and we were so proud of the way our students spoke confidently about their learning at the Student Led Conferences. Our theme for Term 3 is **Energy** with a focus on Materials, Chemistry and Design. Below are the upcoming curriculum focuses and important dates for Term 3.

Kakariki Learning Term 3

<p>RE Our strands for this term are the Communion of Saints Strand and the Sacrament Strand.</p> <p>Remember that you are always welcome to join us for: Monday: Pod prayers Tues, Wed, Thurs: Class prayers Friday: School prayers Thursday weeks 3, 6, 10: Team prayers and celebration Pod 1 Mass (HG1 and 2) on Thursday of Week 8 Pod 2 Mass (HG3, 4 and 5) on Thursday of Week 9</p> <p>Languages Te Reo learning will be integrated throughout the term and weekly lessons on Fridays continue.</p>	<p>Inquiry Our theme is ENERGY. We will also be looking at the concept of COURTESY in our school motto.</p> <p>We will also be focusing on the Science curriculum to investigate a variety of concepts such as Static Electricity, Electrical circuits, Conductors and Insulators, Wind power, Solar power, Materials and their properties. Students will be designing a product that involves some of these concepts and these will be showcased at our Sharing the Learning and Design Expo in Week 10.</p> <p>If you have any wires, bulbs, circuit materials, hard materials, cardboard or resources that you think would be helpful, please start collecting for us now.</p>
<p>Literacy Writing: Weeks 1 - 5: Speeches Weeks 6 - 10: Advertising and persuasion</p> <p>Spelling will be part of the weekly Literacy programme with buddy tests each Friday.</p> <p>Reading: Researching skills: summarising, note taking, skimming and scanning for the key ideas.</p>	<p>Maths Weeks 1 - 5: Number - Proportions and Ratios - Looking at fractions, decimals and percentages as well as basic ratios.</p> <p>Weeks 6 - 10: Geometry - 2D and 3D shapes and their properties, symmetry, reflection, rotation, translation, angles.</p>
<p>The Arts</p> <p>Aladdin Production - During this term students will be performing and part of a dance and song in our school production. There will be weekly practices for this show.</p>	<p>PE</p> <p>Weeks 1 - 5: Gymnastics Weeks 6 - 10: Fitness and Cross Country</p>

Home Learning:

Home Learning Challenges: Encourage your child to continue aiming for at least 2 per term.

Spelling: We are going to continue using the student word lists from StepsWeb. Students will also write their lists in their spelling notebooks as they move to a new list. They will be tested every Friday to monitor progress. Please ensure they have spelling notebooks at school Mondays and Fridays.

Reading: Students read their own books daily for a minimum of 15 minutes, including weekends.

Maths: Mathletics is used to work on number facts and tables at homes.

Important Dates for Kakariki Team - Term 3

<p>Week 1 - July Monday 26th: First day back Friday 30th: Grandparents Day Knowledge-athon</p>	<p>Week 2 - August Thursday 5th: 7pm Cyber Safety Information Evening for Parents in the school hall - All encouraged to attend. Friday 6th: School leaders announced at school prayers</p>
<p>Week 3 - August Tuesday 10th: Teacher Only Day (No School)</p>	<p>Week 4 - August Wednesday 18th: ICAS English Thursday 19th: Rippa Rugby</p>
<p>Week 5 - August Wednesday 25th: ICAS Science Friday 27th: Kakariki Speech finals</p>	<p>Week 6 - August/September Wednesday 1st: ICAS Maths Life Education arrives</p>
<p>Week 7 - September Life Education Friday 10th: School Cross Country @9:15 a.m. Sunday 12th: School Mass @ 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Week 8 - September Life Education Book Fair Week Monday 13th: Book Dress Up day 2:50 - 4:00 p.m. Book Fair Afternoon Tea Thursday 16th: Pod 1 Mass @9:15 a.m (HG1 and HG2) Friday 17th: School Cross Country Saver Day Friday 17th: Quiz Night @7 p.m.</p>
<p>Week 9 - September Tuesday 21st: Catholic School's Cross Country Thursday 23rd: Pod 2 Mass @9:15 a.m (HG3, HG4 and HG5) Friday 24th: Cluster Cross Country</p>	<p>Week 10 - September/October Mercy Week Chinese Language Week Thursday 30th: Sharing the Learning and Design Expo @8 a.m. Friday 1st: Mercy Week Whole School Mass @9:15 a.m.</p>

Please remember that you are always welcome to email us if you have any concerns about your child at school and we can set up a time to meet. We look forward to another action packed term of living and learning in Kakariki Team.

Kind regards,

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