

YEAR 3 & 4

NGARU SYNDICATE TERM 2 UPDATE

PBS School Vision: Learners will be collaborative, creative and critical thinkers capable of engaging confidently and respectfully in their community.



FROM THE SYNDICATE

Kia ora whānau - Welcome to Term 2. We hope you had a great holiday and are ready for another great term at PBS.

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In this update are details of the programmes we will be running in Ngaru Syndicate this term. We are a friendly and approachable team so if you have any queries or feedback please don't hesitate to get in touch. Our aim is to keep you informed with what's happening through the school newsletter, website, Facebook page, SeeSaw or via e-mails and phone calls.

TERM DATES

Term 2 - Mon 3 May - Fri 9 July (10 weeks)

Term 3 - Mon 26 July - Fri 1 Oct (10 weeks)

Term 4 - Mon 18 Oct - Wed 15 Dec (9 weeks)



Here are some dates for your calendar:

Friday, 21 May - Pink Shirt Day

Friday, 28 May - Teacher Only Day

Wednesday, 26 May - Junior School Cross Country

Monday, 7 June - Queen's Birthday Monday

Friday, 2 July - Matariki Rises in Kāpiti

CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR

As we enter the winter months please ensure that your child is clothed appropriately. We encourage students to play outside during winter, therefore, they will need a warm coat or jacket at school everyday. They need footwear that they can run and play sport in (Kiwisports begins 19 May). They can bring slippers to wear inside if they wish.



Please make sure your child always has a change of clothes in their bag 'just in case.'

Whether they be playing in the

sand/water in our newly transformed sandpit, or if they have a slip on the field. This will make it easy for them to get changed quickly if they have spare clothes tucked away.

Friday 9 July 2:10-2.45pm in the hall
Please note assemblies may be altered or cancelled at the last minute due to unforeseen circumstances, please watch out for notices.

SYNDICATE ASSEMBLIES



Assemblies are a part of our programme where students celebrate their achievements and share work they are proud of. We are also teaching the children how to be a positive member of an audience, how to be an effective presenter and participant in an assembly. Assemblies will be held every second Friday afternoon and you are very welcome to join us.

Term 2 Syndicate Assembly dates

- Friday 14 May 2:10-2:45pm in the hall
- Friday 28 May 2:10-2:45pm in the hall
- Friday 11 June 2:10-2:45pm in the hall
- Friday 25 June 2:10-2:45pm in the hall

PARENT HELP

Thank you to the parents who have extended offers of help. We aim to offer dynamic and varied programmes for your children, and this would not be as easily achieved without the support and assistance of willing parents. If you are able to offer help, please make this known to your child's teacher.

SCHOOL MEETING DAYS



Should you wish to see your child's teacher, please be aware that school meetings are held at 3:15 pm on Monday & Wednesday.

HOME LEARNING

Each week we continue with home learning. Students' books will come home on Monday and need to be returned to school each Friday.

There are three parts to our home learning programme: reading, spelling and maths.

We encourage your young learner to read every day, either with a book provided by the teacher, a library book or another book from home.

Maths will be online using IXL. Passwords will be in the front of your child's home learning book.

money and/or permission slips in an envelope with your child's name, room number and what it is for, then it can be placed in the money box outside the staffroom before 9.00 am on the day before the trip/event at the latest.

OUR LIBRARY DAYS

We are so fortunate at PBS to have an amazing school library. Our library days are:

- Room 5 - Friday
- Room 6 - Thursday
- Room 9 - Thursday
- Room 10- Thursday
- Room 11 - Wednesday
- Room 12 - Thursday



SCHOOL TRIPS

When we go on a trip or if an event is happening at school, your child will bring home a note. Permission or any costs for trips can be paid for through our online Kindo programme. Another way is by placing all

PBS VALUES

Our values at PBS are the foundations to positive behaviour and developing life skills.

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Curiosity
Respect
Excellence
Self-management
Teamwork

Learning Through Play is an activity-based programme which provides students opportunities to explore, create and problem solve, in a fun, student-directed, authentic context. Learning Through Play is another way children can also develop their oral language skills by practising their conversation and negotiation skills as well as our school CREST values.

Ngaru will have Learning Through Play sessions fortnightly on a Friday afternoon.

LEARNING THROUGH PLAY

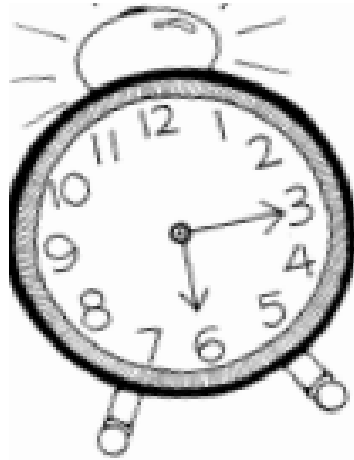
OVERVIEW OF LEARNING FOR TERM TWO

MATHEMATICS

Number Knowledge: Know, recall and use **basic facts**. Know simple **fractions** in everyday use.

Communicate and interpret simple strategies, using words, diagrams (pictures), and symbols to solve problems.

Measurement - Time and Temperature: Create and use appropriate units and devices to measure time and temperature.



ENGLISH

Speaking, Writing and Presenting

Reading and writing for a purpose and audience.

Students will show some understanding of how to shape texts for different purposes and audiences.

Class Reading Programmes

Class Phonics and Oral Language Programmes



**SCHOOLWIDE INQUIRY
TOPIC - CELEBRATING**

MATARIKI This term our inquiry focuses on Matariki and why it is special to NZ and NZers. We will explore myths and legends, participate in the arts - Kapa Haka, waiata, weaving and kite-making.

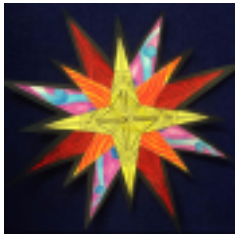
The students will be working through the inquiry process of:

- Tuning in
- Finding out
- Sorting
- Reflecting
- Taking action



THE ARTS

Music, Drama, Dance and Visual Art



LANGUAGES - Te Reo



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PE AND HEALTH

Endurance: Cross Country



Fitness and Jump Jam
Kiwisports