

Te Moana Syndicate Term 4 2021

Kia ora to all our families and whānau. We hope you have had a wonderful break.

Term 3 was full of grand plans for learning and sports, only to be foiled by Delta! Unfortunately, we weren't able to have the Winter Tournament for the second year in a row. Our learning about sustainability is at varying stages throughout the syndicate and so we will continue on with this focus for Term 4.

We are looking forward to another great term, with camp being an obvious highlight.

Ngā Mihi
Te Moana Teachers

CHROMEBOOKS

We are noticing an increase in students who have not charged their devices fully each night meaning their Chromebook is not lasting the duration of learning time. Please keep reminding your kids to manage themselves and be ready for learning each day.

We would also appreciate each student having their own set of headphones. We use these for a variety of activities and have a very limited supply of spare headphones in classrooms.



Thank you for your continued support in this area.

DATES (so far)

[2021 SCHOOL YEAR DATES](#) ([Link to school calendar](#))

Week 2

Tuesday & Thursday - Athletics Training
Thursday 28 Oct - NZ Shakeout

Week 3

CAMP WEEK

Week 4

Pedal ready Week - details to follow

Tuesday & Thursday - Athletics Training

Week 5

Pedal ready Week - details to follow

Tuesday 16 Nov - Syndicate Athletics Day

Week 6

Pedal ready Week - details to follow

Week 7

Thursday 2 Dec - Takiri o te ata Kapa Haka Hui

Week 8

Thursday 9 Dec - Syndicate Picnic

Week 9

Wednesday 15 Dec - Prize Giving & Last day of school - Finish at 12:30

Our Learning:

This term our school inquiry focus will be on **Sustainability**. How can we live in sustainable ways?

Values - Focus on the CREST Values - Curiosity, Respect, Excellence, Self Management, Team Work

Learning Capabilities - Making Meaning, Critical Inquiry, Perspective Taking, Taking Action

Health and PE - Training for Athletics

Maths - Number, particular focus on fractions and Measurement, as well as maths Inquiry.



English - We will be doing a range of literacy learning through reading, writing, speaking and presenting. Lots of research and inquiry will take place through our unit on **Sustainability**. This includes the Speech competition for those that would like to enter.

Sunny Sunshine (hopefully)

Term 4 is sun safe time and means the kids will need a wide brimmed hat when outside.

No hat - No play means staying under the shade of their class verandah.

Please make sure the kids also have their own drink bottles and sunscreen.



Homelearning

We encourage you to read with your children or have them reading daily for pleasure as part of their home-learning.

Students may be asked to complete unfinished work in their own time or they may even feel inspired to pursue further learning carried over from school to home.

Students who are in need of some "supported" learning will bring home needs-based activities to support them in reading and spelling. Teachers will advise you if they would like you to do a bit extra with your child.

Camp Term 4 2021

Dates:

Rooms 3, 4 and 29 1st November - 3rd November

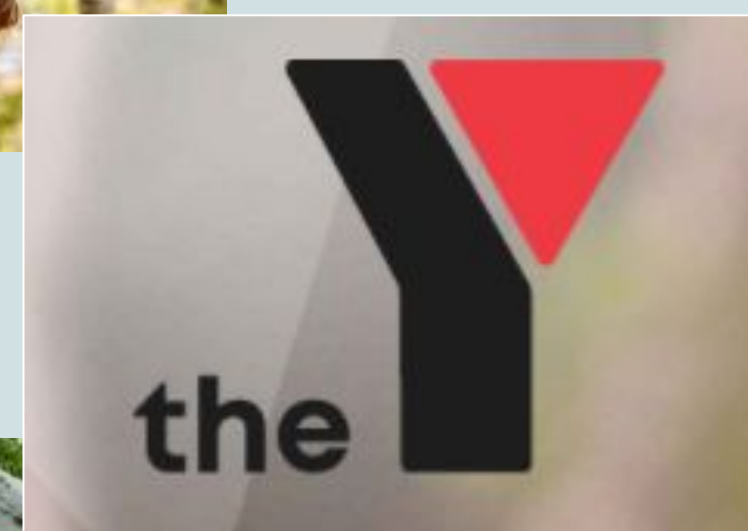
Rooms 1, 2 and 28 3rd November - 5th November

Place:

Kaitoke Education Centre

Information about the camp can be found here:

<https://ycentral.nz/kaitoke/>



CAMP

Camp is rapidly approaching and we are getting very excited. Notices will be coming home shortly with gear lists, expectations and reminders.

By now you should have received an invoice from Libby regarding how much is left to pay for camp. This cost has been reduced significantly with numerous fundraising activities - such as the Fun Run earlier in the year, Midweek munchies, calendar art, hoodies and soap sales.

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents and syndicate teachers who put so much time and energy into organising and running these fundraisers. Making camp accessible to all has been our main aim and we have done well given interruptions from lockdown.

Thank you to everyone who filled in the online medical forms so promptly. These forms are generated by the camp and are helpful in best supporting the students with their camp experience. It is also used to ascertain dietary requirements.

Students will need a packed lunch and morning tea for the first day of camp and a named water bottle.

@school app

Blog - The blog is where students and teachers can share snippets of work that may not be directly linked to a reading, writing or mathematics goal. It is a great place for you to give your child an encouraging comment about their mahi.



Blog

Learning Space - This is what your child sees when they log on to 'spotlight'. This takes you to their dashboard and from there you can click on different tabs. It is a great idea to have your child talk you through their current goals and what they have achieved.



Learning Space

Accounts - This is a place where you can see your child's accounts. Your camp payment will be displayed here. From here you can click on the KINDO button and pay that way.



Accounts

Did you know?



That every fortnight our syndicate has been learning Kapa Haka with Matua Rangi.

It is so wonderful to see all of the students of Te Moana syndicate sustaining te reo through waiata, dance and storytelling

During lockdown we even attempted a zoom hui (Zui).

