

Te Moana Syndicate Term 4 2021

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

We had a busy and productive Term 3 and looking forward to wrapping up our inquiries and channeling our inventor skills this term. We hope that you will be able to come in on Tuesday 15 November to share with your children their learning around technology and inventions.

This term will also have an oral language focus. Students will prepare and deliver a speech to their classmates. Time will be given in class to prepare but we do encourage the kids to practise lots at home.

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.

Our Learning:

This term our school inquiry focus will be on **Technology**.

*How are our lives impacted by invention?
How does technology affect the way I live?*

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 - Summer sports focus

Maths - Number, particular focus on fractions

English - We will be working on a range of literacy tasks through reading, writing, speaking and presenting.

We will also be doing speeches this term focused on an aspect of the technology inquiry.

DATES (so far)

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

Week 2

Monday 24 Oct - LABOUR DAY

Tuesday 25 Oct - Pataka Trip Room 1 & 2

Tuesday 25 Oct - Friday 28 Oct - Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday 26 Oct - Pataka Trip Room 3 & 4

Wednesday 26 Oct - Give-it-a-go tennis Rooms 1,2, 28 & 29

Wednesday 26 Oct - Midweek Munchies (Room 1 Year 7 & 8 Camp Fundraiser)

Thursday 27 Oct - Pataka Trip Room 28 & 29

Thursday 27 Oct - New Zealand Shakeout 9:30 am

National Earthquake drill.

Week 3

Wednesday 2 Nov - Midweek Munchies (Room 2 Year 7 & 8 Camp Fundraiser)

Week 4

Wednesday 9 Nov - Midweek Munchies (Room 3 Year 7 & 8 Camp Fundraiser)

Week 5

Tuesday 15 Nov - Sharing our Learning 2:30 - 3:30pm

Wednesday 16 Nov - Midweek Munchies (Room 4 Year 7 & 8 Camp Fundraiser)

Week 6

Wednesday 23 Nov - Midweek Munchies (Room 28 Year 7 & 8 Camp Fundraiser)

Week 7

Wednesday 30 Nov - Midweek Munchies (Room 29 Year 7 & 8 Camp Fundraiser)

Wednesday 9 Nov - Year 5 Speech Finals

Thursday 1 December - Te Takiri o te ata - Kapa Haka Hui

Week 8

Wednesday 7 Dec - Te Moana Summer Sport Festival

Week 9

Wednesday 15 Dec - Last day of school

Stationery

Can you please check with your child if they still have their stationery items needed each day. Frequently missing items are - pencils, rulers, eraser.

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.

In mathematics - students can be working on their e-ako tasks, practicing their fraction skills at home or the old favourite of learning their multiplication and division facts.

