

YEAR 3 & 4

NGARU SYNDICATE TERM 4 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 - Wow - can you believe it is Term 4 already? The students of Ngaru have had a great start back to school. Term 3 was a fantastic term. Children began their inquiry journey about NZ history and expressing their learning through The Arts. Here are just some wonderful examples of artworks created in Term 3.



We welcome Liz Bell, who will be teaching in Room 11, over the first 6 weeks of Term 4. If you need to get in touch with us our email addresses are below. If you have any feedback or concerns please get in touch with your classroom teacher in the first instance or Vicki Howarth, Ngaru Team Leader. We endeavour to keep you connected with what's happening in and around Ngaru Syndicate through the school newsletter, class SeeSaw or via emails or phone calls.

Ngaru Syndicate class contacts:

- Room 5 Mrs Jackson rjackson@pbs.school.nz
- Room 6 Mrs Siversen ksiversen@pbs.school.nz
- Room 10 Mrs Howarth vhowarth@pbs.school.nz (Team Leader)
- Room 11 Mrs Bell lbell@pbs.school.nz
- Room 12 Miss Sutherland rsutherland@pbs.school.nz



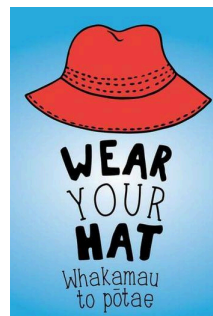
TERM DATES

Term 4 - Mon 9 Oct - Fri 15 Dec
(10 weeks)

Special days this term:

- Thursday, 19 Oct - The Great NZ Shake Out
- Monday, 23 Oct - Labour Day
- Tuesday 24 - 27 October PBS Book Fair
- Te Papa Trip - Tuesday, 7 November 2023
- Friday, 15 Dec - Last Day of School 2023

SUNHATS



As it is now Term 4 and we are heading into the summer months and we want our kids to be sunsmart, hats with a full brim are compulsory. Please ensure your child's hat is named. Children without a hat must remain in shaded areas. At PBS we encourage and promote correct sun safety practices. As the children are out in the sun at least twice a day putting sunblock on in the morning is a wise precaution.

SYNDICATE ASSEMBLIES

We love to celebrate student achievements and share our learning at our Syndicate Assemblies. You are very welcome to join us. Assemblies are held every fortnight. This term assembly days may vary. We will confirm dates closer to the time.



Term 4 Syndicate Assembly dates:

- Friday, 20 October
 - Friday, 3 November
 - Friday, 17 November
 - Friday, 1 December
 - Tuesday, 12 December TBC
- Please note assemblies may be altered or cancelled at the last minute due to unforeseen circumstances, please watch out for notices.

PARENT HELP

Thank you to the parents who have helped throughout 2023. If you are able to help this term, with reading, collating work etc, please make this known to your child's teacher. We continue 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.

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 & Tuesday

TE PAPA TRIP 7 NOVEMBER 2023!

We have a date! Tuesday 7th November.

Children are so excited for this trip to explore our history at NZ's national museum, Te Papa.

Thank you for all the parent help offers, we have been inundated. We are only able to take 5 parents per class. We will get in touch to ask whether parents are still able to help on the new date.

If you have not already done so please get your child's permission slip to their class teacher asap.

Children will need to be at school at 8.30am so we can get on the move straight away at 9am.

They will need:

- School bag
- Packed lunch
- Drink Bottle
- Jacket (weather dependent)

OUR LIBRARY DAYS

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

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



PBS SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR COMING UP
IN WEEK 3

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

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.

OVERVIEW OF LEARNING FOR TERM FOUR

MATHEMATICS

Number Knowledge: Know, recall and use basic facts/multiplication/division. Know simple fractions in everyday use. Communicate and interpret simple strategies, using words, diagrams (pictures), and symbols to solve problems.

Number/Algebra: Patterns, continuing patterns and finding rules.

Statistics: Probability - Investigate simple situations that involve elements of chance, recognizing equal and different likelihoods.



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, Structured Literacy and Oral Language Programmes

Class Spelling Programmes

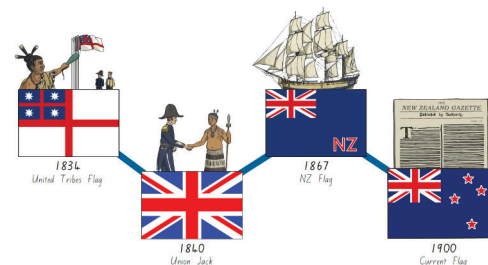


SCHOOLWIDE INQUIRY TOPIC STORIES OF OUR PAST

This term our inquiry journey continues learning about Aotearoa/NZ history and telling these stories through The Arts. This term students will learn about the early European explorers, the Treaty of Waitangi, and how immigrants impacted and changed the course for Tangata Whenua.

Our students will use the PBS inquiry process to find out more. We will be:

- Tuning in
- Finding out
- Sorting out, and
- Going Further



THE ARTS

Music, Drama, Dance and Visual Art



LANGUAGES - TE REO MĀORI



*Waiata Maori
Te Reo used in everyday life.*

PE AND HEALTH

Athletics - Students will practise their athletic skills, covering running, jumping and throwing.

Fitness and Games