

MANAHAU TEAM NEWS

Term 3, 2021 – Monday 26 July to Friday 1 October

We hope you were able to enjoy some unrushed family time over the holidays. We look forward to seeing the children build on their learning in second half of the year. There are parent teacher interviews coming up in week 2 so please think about anything you would like to discuss!

As we head into wintery conditions, please remember that flags on the grass mean 'Stay off'. Muddy children are a challenge for teachers and the office to deal with! Also, let's take pride in our school uniforms – children are allowed to wear either the summer or winter uniforms all year round but not a mixture of the two. There is some flexibility around footwear – please see the school website for more information.



Our Learning



Our learning this term is:

- Devotions – Personal Faith: my response to who God is
- Theme – We begin by looking at the Olympics then spend the rest of the term learning about 'The World of Work'
- Maths – Multiplication and division, measurement
- PE – Winter sports, large ball skills
- School values – Kindness

Team Notes



Some important things for Manahau families to know:

- Many children at our school have allergies to nuts. Please help us keep them safe by NOT including any nuts or nut products in your child's lunchbox.
- Children need a named water bottle at school every day.
- Wheels Day is on Wednesdays. Children can bring scooters, skateboards and roller blades to use at play times. Helmets and safety gear must be worn.

School Notes



School events to be aware of:

- Week 2 – Tuesday is a Teacher Only Day
- Week 2 – Wednesday and Thursday are parent / teacher interviews
- Week 3 – Thursday is school photos
- Week 5 – Tuesday at 7pm we have a parent evening to chat about some areas of interest that you have suggested. Keep this night free!

Please check the school newsletter, website and app regularly for more information about these and other events.

Finally, some clarification for those who have asked. We do not have 'detentions' in the primary school. Sometimes children have to stay in to finish work that wasn't completed during class time. Teachers usually manage this within their own classroom but if it happens often, we have a 'lunch work' club where they can go and be supervised while they work. If there is an ongoing behaviour problem, the child would also sit with the 'lunch work' teacher and write on a 'Thinking Time' page so that they can reflect on their choices. You would receive a copy of this page too. Our desire is not to just punish children for their actions but rather to teach them a better way to manage things next time.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance. If you need further assistance, please contact the Manahau team leader, Jane Sutherland, in D3 or by email: janes@cornerstone.ac.nz

We appreciate your support and prayers for a great term ahead!

The Manahau Team teachers