



Team Te Awa Newsletter Term 3 2020

Welcome back to school for Term Three to all tamariki and whānau. We have an exciting term ahead.

- Our main study this term is **Light and Sound** which ties into our biannual production. Look out in Seesaw for some clips of songs for your tamariki to learn over the coming months.

Our Topic Key Questions are; *How does sound travel? *How can sound be made louder, softer?

*How does light reflect? *How do colours change?

This is a fun topic with a lot of hands-on Science experiments. **We would love donations of shoe boxes, cardboard tubes (gladwrap, tinfoil tubes) and rubber bands, please send these in with your child!**

- Our **Production** this year is called Rock n' Reach, it is a trip down memory lane with some classic hits of days gone by. All our tamariki will be involved in the production. Keep an eye out for notices about costumes in the coming weeks. The show itself will be performed on a number of dates in November next term. **As always we are on the lookout for parent support with putting on the show, both on the nights and also with behind the scene work. If you are a keen seamstress please put your name down in the office as we would love some people to sew props and costumes.**
- As a celebration at the end of this term we are going to the **Matariki Glow Show performance at the Hawkins Theatre on Wednesday 23rd September.** Please note, this is a sellout event, we have limited places for parent helpers and would prefer parents who can take their own vehicle and transport 3-4 children to help keep costs down. Please refer to the notice below for permission and parent help. Notices **MUST** be returned before the due date to ensure that we have the correct numbers for each session.
- Our focus for **sport** this term is **Cross Country running.** The children are out running daily to improve their fitness and speed. The Cross Country event will be held at Puni School on **Thursday the 20th of August.** Look out for more information and times in upcoming newsletters and on Facebook. It is important that children have a **spare change of clothes in their bags each day,** as the field (and children!) can get very muddy during this term. **Please name every item of clothing that comes to school to ensure that any item that is lost gets reunited with its owners quickly!**

Your child's school report will be coming home early next week. These reports show results from assessments completed at the end of last term. Our original idea was to have these reports to you at the start of Term 2, but with the Nationwide lockdown we had to rethink our plans. The reports have written information about what your child can do in Reading, Writing and Mathematics, as well as a graph showing progress in relation to the Curriculum levels. There is also a General Comment at the back which is focused on the Key Competencies.

If your child is new to Puni School, they will receive an "On Entry" report which summarises how they are settling into Puni School. **On Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th of August we will be having Optional Parent Interviews from 3.00-4.45 pm in the school hall.**

*These are our **REACH** values that we will focus on during the term. Children will be learning about these through the admin, assemblies and during class oral and written language sessions. They will bring ideas home to share with whānau. Children receive **REACH** awards for displaying these behaviours and also academic and social accomplishments during class time.*

CLEANLINESS AND ORDERLINESS Weeks 2,3,4	LOYALTY WEEKS 5,6,7	COURAGE AND CREATIVITY WEEKS 8, 9, 10
RESPECT		

If you need to contact any of the teachers outside school hours, email is the very best way to keep in touch.

Te Puna- cmelchers@puni.school.nz Waikato- lesley@puni.school.nz Waimana- ronehi@puni.school.nz

Wairere- otweddie@puni.school.nz Miss Walton's Class- kw Walton@puni.school.nz

If you have any questions or concerns, please approach your child's teacher as soon as possible. Most problems can be dealt with promptly through direct communication.

If you have any syndicate enquiries, you can contact Lesley Moloney as Te Awa Team Leader.



What is TE MOANA GLOW SHOW?

It's literally Legendary! A giant scale puppet show for tamariki with magical glow-in-the-dark characters from Māori myth and legend. This innovative, cutting edge concept features 40+ glow-in-the-dark puppets under ultraviolet light in a black box theatre environment. Rich in te reo Māori, it's an upbeat 45 minute show with catchy music that has the audience buzzing from the onset.

We will be travelling for two sessions to the Glow Show, one booking is for the 10-11am session and the other booking is for

the 11.30-12.30pm session. We have very restricted numbers due to the show being a sellout and will confirm the classes travelling together to the shows closer to the time.

Remember that you will need to supervise a group of up to 8 children for the session, you need to be physically fit and able to supervise ALL the children in your group.

Below is the information in relation to the day:

DATE: Wednesday 23rd September - Week 10

VENUE: Hawkins Theatre, Papakura

TIME: **SESSION ONE: Leaving 9.00am and returning between 11.30 and 12.00pm**

SESSION TWO: Leaving 10.15am and returning between 1.00 and 1.30pm

UNIFORM: Full uniform, and sensible walking shoes

TRANSPORT: Bus and cars to support with transport

STAFF IN Lesley Moloney, Olivia Tweedie, Catherine Melchers, Karina Walton,

ATTENDANCE: Renee Onehi, Crystal Liddle, Shaelee Smith

PARENTAL SUPPORT: **ONLY 7** Parent helpers required

OTHER **-Students will need to bring food and a drink bottle**

REQUIREMENTS: **-Water only please, no sports, fizzy or juice**

-No toddlers please

-Please do not stop to buy food or drink for the students in your care

As we have opted into the Donation Scheme from the Government, there is no charge for this trip and Learning Experience.

We will confirm parent helpers with a text or call by Monday 14th September

Any questions please contact me at school.

Thank you **Lesley Moloney**



Glow Show Trip

I give permission for _____ to attend the Glow Show on Wednesday 23rd September Please note most children will be travelling on the bus to the venue.

I give / do not give permission for _____ to travel in a private vehicle to the venue if required. HOWEVER- if you attend the trip AND take a vehicle, you may transport your child and other children to and from the Hawkins Theatre. This will help with the seating on the bus!

I **am not able** to help with supervision.

I **am able** to help with supervision. Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

I will be transporting my child(ren) in my own vehicle
REGO: _____ I have _____ over the shoulder seat belts

Signed _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE OFFICE BY 8.30am ON MONDAY 31 AUGUST 2020.

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