



Lyttelton PRIMARY SCHOOL

Te Kura Tuatahi o Ōhinehou



Our Learning Place

Takaroa Pānui Term 1 2018

Kia ora koutou katoa, Haere mai

A warm welcome to all the whanau who have joined Takaroa this year. Takaroa is the ocean and symbolizes our connection to the sea.

We are made up of Harakeke and Kowhai. While some things are specific for each of the learning spaces, we integrate in a number of areas.

He waka eke noa - We are all in this together

Dinah, Anne, Rachel, Annabel and Francie

Ngā Uara / Values - Encompassed in all our learning

Manaakitanga Respect	Ngākau aroha Empathy	Manawanui Perseverance
Sustainability Inquiry	This is our overarching theme for the year and within that we will be covering social, economic and environmental topics. We are starting this term with “Me and My Environment” with a social science focus looking at who we are in “ToTātou Pātaka, Our Place.”	
School Newsletter	Remember to keep up to date with regular news and events. Please read our school newsletter www.lyttelton.school.nz . Remember term 1 students must wear sun-hats.	
Assembly	Whole school assembly is on Friday 9.15 - 10.00 every second week. This was the first week.	
Swimming Weeks 3 & 4	Following on from last term's lessons with instructors, the teachers will be guiding the students to reinforce and practise the skills they were taught. Swimming will be daily and the Swimming Sports will	

Swimming Sports Friday 23 Feb, 9.30am	be on the final day. Please reinforce the importance of being able to swim and ensure your child has their togs every day.
Sport	We are enjoying fortnightly sessions on a Wednesday with the Aupaki Sports Coordinator, Chris Cole, who is currently teaching our students large ball skill and playground games. Each learning space will do a week about We will also have a sports rotation on Friday afternoon to back up those skills.
“KiwiCan” Every Tuesday 40 min sessions	<p>“KiwiCan” is a life skills and values programme delivered to primary aged children and supports/enhances our PB4L and school values implementation. The programme aims to contribute to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greater communication skills - Stronger social interactions - More cooperation - More displays of kindness and caring.
Project Time and Action stations	<p>This is an important component of becoming ‘<i>confident, connected, actively involved, lifelong learners</i>’ (NZ Curriculum vision) Students are challenged to explore their passions / interests or strengths. They spend time researching before they start creating a product or service that will be shared with the class or the school or the wider community. Throughout the process, teachers facilitate and support the students with their projects to ensure that they are achieving or even extending their goals.</p>
Reading	Expectation for Reading is that students read every night. This should be an enjoyable time to engage your child in reading, this could be you reading with your child or to your child, retelling the story, talking about connections you or or child can make the book.
Bookbags	These go home each day and return to school the next day. We encourage children to take the folder out of their bag in the morning and place it in the box with the teacher they read with.
Numeracy	The strand focus this term is Geometry, specifically angles, position and orientation. We look at mapping, coordinates, compass directions etc and a range of terminology that is all maths related. Our number focus will be Addition and Subtraction.
Kapa Haka	We lucky to have Maka Tau back to work with us. He is coming in on a Thursday at 1.30.