

POROHITA

TERM 4 NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 CELEBRATION!

What a wonderful term we had! We were amazed by the dedication and hard work our learners put into their community research, designs and creations in Learning to Learn. Understanding a community's needs and wants was at the centre of our drama programme, to put Porohita in the shoes of those who make big decisions for large groups of people. We have had a lot of new learning to celebrate, and are excited to finish off the year strong!



TERM 4 UPCOMING EVENTS...

- Book Week Parade Fri 13th Oct
- Howick Historical Village Trip (Mon 16th & Thurs 19th Oct)
- Porohita Sleepover Thurs 26th Oct
- Athletics Fri 3rd Nov
- Cross Country Mon 6th Nov
- Teacher Only Day Fri 24th Nov
- Reports go home Thurs 14th Dec
- Last day of school Fri 15th Dec

ENTERPRISE

Porohita will be exploring the concept of Enterprise by taking a journey through time. Following our visit to Howick Historical Village where we will look at toys and entertainment throughout history, we will identify a current need within the school context. This need may take the form of a lunchtime activity, upgrading a school resource or introducing a new game. Learners will work through an inquiry process, utilising questioning skills, planning and resourcing for their chosen area and finally, students will take direct action (Enterprise) to address the need.

TE REO MĀORI

Our focus for this term is te huarere (the weather). We will be keeping an eye on the skies as we practice speaking and listening through a range of engaging, vocabulary-building activities.

DIGI TECH

Unplugged Digi Tech! We will be working on computational thinking, integrated with our concept of Enterprise, mathematics and literacy.

LITERACY

Firstly we're excited to kick things off with Book Week! Literacy this term will be linked to our Term 4 learning focus of Enterprise. Following an initial focus on recount writing using real-life, shared experiences, students will engage in a range of writing genres linked to their specific Enterprise need. This may involve letters, surveys and instructions.

MATHEMATICS


In Term 4 students will be plugging hotspots of both knowledge and strategy in all mathematical areas they have been learning in 2023. This could include addition, subtraction, multiplication, statistics, fractions, measurement, patterns and relationships and geometry.

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

We will be teaching skills needed for throwing, jumping and running in readiness for Athletics Day on 3 November. Porohita students will participate in long jump, high jump, shotput and running races before and on the day. In swimming, we are lucky to have obtained a class set of lifejackets for the first few weeks of term. Students will learn about water safety and what to watch out for, in and around water. We are also continuing to incorporate our learning around mental health by using the Mitey programme. Finally, Garden to Table starts in Week 2 this term. If you can help out on your child's Garden to Table day – it would be hugely appreciated. Please let your child's classroom teacher know which days you can help.

THE ARTS - DANCE

Our arts focus is dance this term! We will be integrating our learning in te reo Māori with our dance unit on te huarere - the weather. Through practical, engaging lessons, we will learn about the elements of dance: space, energy, time, body awareness and relationships.



Term 4 brings more sunshine (hopefully!) Remember to pack a hat for school!

HAVE A WONDERFUL TERM!