

Rakinui Pānui Term 4 2022

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Ngā Uara / Values - Encompassed in all our learning		
Manaakitanga Respect	Ngākau aroha Empathy	Manawanui Perseverance
Inquiry Focus: Change/ Panoni Through Visual Art	How does our past shape our future? This is being considered through visual art this term by looking at how art is valued and created in different cultures. We will visit the Art Gallery and take part in the workshop 'Clay with Me' related to the work of Cheryl Lucas a Lyttelton artist.	
Newsletters	Please keep up to date with regular news and events through the school newsletter (www.lyttelton.school.nz).	
Assembly	Assemblies are live again! The first assembly this term will be on Friday 28 October from 9.15 - 10am. Continuing on from this they will be every second week. Our final assembly will be on Thursday December 15th from 1-3pm.	
Rakinui Events	Huxter Bike Race - Week 1 Art Gallery visits - Week 2/3 Rakinui Athletics - 27th October Zones Athletics - 8th November Peer Mediators Big Day Out - 21 November Raupō Camp - 21st November - 23rd November Yr 8 Wellington Camp - 29th November- 2 December Tough Kids - 7th December	
Enrichment opportunities	involved in activities to support this term are listed below:	

	 Peer Mediators Cultural leadership Whānau group leadership Kapahaka kaea (leaders) PALS (physical activity leaders) Digital Technology club
Digital Technology	Over the next few weeks we will be creating and sharing our learning through digital platforms in creative ways. This mahi will be presented to whānau during our learning celebration in Week 5.
	This term our Digital Technology Club will be focusing on using digital tools to create and animate art and we'll also continue with some 3D printing. We are hoping to connect with Tūranga to bring our artworks to life!
Teacher Professional Development	This term our teachers are involved in professional development in Te Reo, Digital Technologies and Maths. We continue to be supported by facilitators in order to upskill and utilise our learning alongside our tamariki.
Literacy	Our literacy covers reading and writing and is integrated into all subjects where possible. We encourage reading everyday at school and at home. Students will be reading from online sites as well as School Journals and age appropriate reading books. They will be required to read from a book everyday, this can be from either the library or brought in from home. We also engage in writing each day, with all students. This may be spelling, creative writing, writing instructions, scripts, speeches, handwriting, report writing, newsletter articles, poems, emails and more. This term we will continue to utilise our new reading programme called Reading Plus which provides students with text to read suitable to their fluency, vocabulary and comprehension strategies. This programme allows for in depth teaching of skills related to critical thinking when reading as well as improving their stamina for reading.
Maths	The strand focus this term is Statistics including Probability. Working alongside this we will be exploring number knowledge and strategies, particularly algebraic thinking.
	We continue to use Mathletics and this allows students to log in at any time during school or home and work on given material. This is especially good for practising times tables and basic facts knowledge.
Kapahaka	Last term our kapahaka ropū performed in the Aupaki cultural festival! This performance video was posted in the newsletter if you missed the chance to see it. This term all of Rakinui are getting the

	chance to be involved in kapahaka with Matua Steve again and we are including students for the 2023 group in our performance group practices to learn new waiata for the end of year assembly.
Y7/8 Technology	All Tōtara students are involved in weekly Technology at Christchurch East School on Monday afternoons throughout the year. Learning context for 2022 includes creative design (fabric and metal) and digital technology which is taking a food perspective.
Languages	Te reo will be integrated wherever possible through our daily practice. This term we are specifically exploring celebrations through different contexts including digital technology, games and waiata.
Peer Mediators	Selected students from across Rākinui will continue to take part in the Cool Schools initiative this term. This is a program where students are trained to assist younger students to resolve playground disagreements. We will have further training this term with the facilitator followed by a Big Day Out with Peer Mediators from other schools at Tai Tapu school on 21st November.
Aupaki kahui ako events	Top Team - Year 8 students enrolled at Te Aratai 2023