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## Koru Team Newsletter Term 4



### Term 3 celebration!

What a wonderful term we had! We were impressed with how excited and engaged our learners were as they learned about The Marae and the protocols of a pōwhiri. Without a doubt the highlight of the term was our trip to One Tree Hill College and to be welcomed onto their Marae and be part of their pōwhiri. What a fantastic term of learning was had by all.

### Literacy

Firstly we are excited to kick things off with Book Week! Literacy this term will be linked to our Term 4 learning focus of enterprise, as well as continuing with personal recounts and shared experiences. We will be writing about a family 'hero' who does things for others as well as asking one of our Ranfurly Readers to do a short presentation about themselves and writing about them. We will be writing a few Thank you cards for our special reading helpers too and of course it wouldn't be a complete Term 4 without a letter to Santa! Keep going with all you are doing to help your child at home with their reading and don't forget you can also access Reading Eggs from home too. Reading will remain a strong focus in all the junior classrooms this term

### Term 4 - Enterprise:

The schoolwide theme for term 4 is Enterprise. Koru will be learning about social enterprise, which is about giving back to family, friends and our community. We will learn about different charities and the heroes who are dedicated to helping others. This will include preparing and performing an end of year show to represent our appreciation towards the people who have supported us throughout the year. Koru students will have opportunities and experiences that provide stimulation of creative thinking, problem solving and creation.

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focus – Creative**



## Dates for your Diary:

### **Week 1: Book Week**

**Friday 13 October -Costume Parade**

**Monday 9 October - Powhiri 9am**

**Thursday 12 October - Stu Duval Cartoonist**

**Friday 20 October - Footsteps Dance Studio**

**Friday 3 November - Athletics Day**

**Tuesday 7 November - Ensemble6 APOPs performance**

**Tuesday 7 November - Koru Cross country 9.15 am**

**Friday 8 December - Koru Christmas Show**

**Monday 11 December - Hands Alive Puppet Show**



The highlight of the term will be the **Koru Christmas show**. Hard work is already under way in the classes to learn the songs and dances. We can't wait to perform for you all! Watch your emails for more details to come ..

**P.E.:** Koru has an Athletics focus this term with Athletics day in week 4 and Cross country in week 5. We will be learning to run, jump and throw.

### **Te Reo Māori - Hauora/Health:**

We will be using a variety of words to describe body parts, describing how they feel as well as describing how their body is feeling. Along with responding to instructions.

### **ESOL:**

Esol this term will involve participation in activities that promote listening and speaking skills

As well as building student's academic vocabulary knowledge through group and partner tasks!

**Term 4 brings more sunshine (hopefully!) Don't forget your hat!**



### **Maths**

Maths this term will be linked to Enterprise as well. We will be recognising, identifying, comparing and using New Zealand notes and coins to make totals. As well as Role-playing shopping, using shopping lists and using play money. The Koru children will be devising and using problem solving strategies to explore situations mathematically. This is also a perfect chance to conduct a statistical investigation and make a display of the data collected, make statements about a data display and justify these ideas.

**Koru team is excited to have a new Year 0 class open in Room 3 and we also welcome their teacher Ms Rebecca Smith to our team.**

### **Starting school routine**

8:30am - Classrooms open. Children are encouraged to be in class no later than 8:45am to settle and put bags away.

8:50am – Bell goes for roll call. If you arrive after this time, you must go to the office for a late pass.

11:00am – 11:20am – Morning tea

12:30pm – 1:25pm – Lunch

3:00pm - School finishes. Please do not enter the classroom until the children are dismissed.

### **Swimming**

Lesson will continue this term and class Times will be confirmed via seesaw/email

We require parent help to enable these sessions to happen. Please let your class teacher know if you can help.

Unfortunately, no preschoolers please.

**It is important that you are on the Three Kings school app for notices. Classroom communication will come via email and/or Seesaw.**

### **Parent Help**

Please speak to your classroom teacher if you can help. We always appreciate help with putting reading books away, sharpening pencils, swimming, and various activities.

Please feel free to discuss with the teacher how you can help.

### **Lunch boxes and drink bottles**

It is important that all children bring a drink bottle filled with water only to school daily. Your child can refill the drinking bottle at school if they need to.

Your child will need to come to school every day with morning tea and lunch. We encourage food to be as wrapper free as possible and for children to be able to open items independently.

Please ensure that your child can open and close their lunch box and drink bottle independently.

### **Daily expectations include:**

Bring book bag

Shoes

Hat

Lunchbox

Drink Bottle

A smile 😊

### **Library**

Your child's class will have a weekly library session. It is essential to bring their bookbag to issue a library book.

Class Times will be confirmed via seesaw/email

