

## Welcome to Term 2!

Welcome back to term 2, we all hope you had a relaxing holiday and got up to some fun activities. We had an awesome end to term one with our Team Matai trip to the zoo, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. Another thank you to the parents who joined us and those who also volunteered to help if required.

Term two is off to a busy start already, with our daily training for the upcoming cross country event and getting stuck right into our learning again.

This Term our learning will continue alongside Wellington Zoo as we explore changes we can make in our own environment, our school! The students and teachers have come up with many ideas from planting flowers, trees and vegetables to how we dispose of our rubbish and what we recycle. The students will work on a project within the school and learn about the impact humans have on our world as well as empowering them to bring about change. Through this learning we aim for our students to become more aware of their surroundings and encourage them to believe they can make a difference. We are really excited to see where the students take us!

Along with our learning about the environment, we are also going to get stuck in to learning about space as part of our 'Planet Earth and Beyond' unit of work. Each class will begin their own inquiry learning later in the term to answer the students burning questions.

As it is Winter and the temperature is rapidly dropping, please discuss with your children how to keep themselves healthy and the importance of dressing for the conditions. Since we are also training for cross country everyday leading up to the event, please ensure appropriate footwear is worn.

### 5 ways to stay healthy at school

Wash your hands.

MAKE SURE YOU USE ENOUGH SOAP AND SING  
"HAPPY BIRTHDAY" TWICE WHILE YOU SCRUB.

Don't share food or drinks.

EVEN IF YOUR FRIEND HAS THE BEST SNACK EVER...

Keep your hands out of your  
eyes and mouth.

THAT GOES FOR PENCILS, TOO. DON'T EAT YOUR PENCILS.

Cough into your elbow.

LET YOUR SLEEVE CATCH YOUR GERMS.

Get plenty of sleep.

YOUR BRAIN AND YOUR BODY  
NEED AT LEAST 10 HOURS OF SLEEP EVERY NIGHT!

### Important Dates

**11 May:** School Cross Country

**16 May:** Cross Country Postponement date

**22 May:** Matariki performance group

**28-29 June:** School photos

### Parent Helpers

If you are available to help out in the classroom at any stage or if you are willing to help outside of the classroom creating resources, returning books etc, please contact your classroom teacher as they would love your help!

We hope you have an awesome term!

Kind regards,

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Erica Leggett