

Kahikatea Newsletter

Term Two, May 2019



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely holiday break and got to enjoy some valuable family time. We are all looking forward to an exciting term in Team Kahikatea working alongside all of your kids.

Term Two Focus:

Health: Body Care and Physical Safety

P.E: Endurance training (Cross Country) & Movement in dance – Te Reo Kori

Drama: Understanding Arts in context – Investigate the functions and purposes of drama in cultural & historical context

Music: Music express and Rad Rhythm

Science: Planet Earth and Beyond

Te Reo: He Reo Tupu, He reo ora

Cross Country:

West Park School cross country is on Tuesday 21st May at Alex Moore Park. Please remember to email your child's classroom teacher or return the permission slip to let them know that they can attend. To get into the spirit of the day, Team Kahikatea have been asked to wear **RED!**



Physical Education:

We think it is important for our students to be involved in regular physical activity whilst they are at school. If for any reason your child is unable to join in on a particular day please provide a signed and dated note to the classroom teacher explaining the reason for non-participation.

Carter Observatory Trip:

This term Team Kahikatea will be focussing on Planet Earth and Beyond through Science. As part of our learning we will be going to the Carter Observatory. Please make sure you return the permission slip or contact your child's classroom teacher to let them know that your child can attend.

* **Wed 8th May 9.10-12.15** - R7 & 8

* **Thurs 9th May 9.10-12.15** - R14 & 15 At Carter Observatory

* **Thurs 9th May 11.40-2.50** – R12 & 13

Space Place

Road Patrol:

We are in need for parents to help us out on Road Patrol, supervising our students. We need 2 parents for each morning slot and each afternoon slot. Unfortunately, this responsibility often falls on our teachers, taking them away from that precious before school time with their students and preparing for the school day. If you are able to help during any of the morning slots between 8.20-9.10 or an afternoon slot between 2.50-3.15 please get in contact with Donna Curran-Green (donnacg@westpark.school.nz)

Camp:

After much consideration Team Kahikatea are excited to be going to El Rancho this year for its school camp from the 10th – 13th December. El Rancho is located in Waikanae and offers a range of fun and challenging activities including Go-Karting, horse riding and archery-soft, that we hope will provide our students with new experiences and skills. Over the next term, we plan to do some fundraising activities to reduce the cost of camp and we will let you know the overall cost as soon as we can. Michael Joseph, one of our wonderful Year 5 teachers will be coordinating camp for us this year.

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We look forward to an awesome term working with you and your child and hope to see you as often as possible.

Warm Regards,

Team Kahikatea