

Kowhai Year 1 Newsletter - Term 3, Week 10

This term has gone by incredibly quickly. We were hoping to be able to share some of our Learning Through Play with you from Term 3 in this newsletter, however with Lockdown interrupting our term we are going to share Term 3's Learning Through Play in a beginning of Term 4 Year 1 Newsletter. Please see below for updates and information regarding Term 4.

Education Outside the Classroom

Information regarding Term 4's Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) will be coming home early next term. Initially we will send out a letter requesting whanau to indicate whether or not whanau are willing to cover the cost for our skating trip.

Written Reports and Photo Permission

Written reports will be coming home at the end of Term 4. These will share development and progress in the following areas: New Zealand Curriculum key competencies, literacy, mathematics and learning through play. If your child is new to school (from weeks 1 to 5) they would have had a School Entry Interview and they will not receive a report this term. If starting after week 5, children will have a School Entry Interview in Term 1, 2022.

Please see below a slip regarding photos in our Term 4 Written Report. Please return this slip as soon as possible.

Learning Through Play - Making

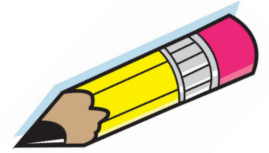
We are in need of items that the children can use for 'making' and construction. This includes boxes (ie. cereal etc), egg cartons, feathers, buttons, felt etc. Really anything a child could use to create a brilliant 'something'. There is no limit to their imaginations!

Please bring anything at all to your classroom teachers. Thanks so much!

Shared Student Stationery

Stationery such as pencils, student whiteboard pens, erasers, and glue sticks are part of your child's shared stationery fee. This donation is \$10 per term in order for classes to remain fully stocked on items that children use everyday.

Thank you to those parents to have already paid your child's shared student stationery.



Join the TREE TRIMMING Committee

Do you love putting a smile on children's faces? Yes! Then you must join the Tree Trimming Committee.

Tree Trimming is Adventure School's annual Christmas tradition where the Kowhai tamariki and their chosen guest make Christmas decorations, decorate Christmas trees and finish off with a shared morning tea.

We are looking for some WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS to take over the Tree Trimming Committee from the current parents whose children are sadly in their final year of Kowhai. This year you will be fortunate enough to shadow this year's Committee and take over the reigns from next year. Ideally the Committee will be made up of at least 3 people and many Elves required in November to cut all the material to size ready for decorations to be made. Here are the approximate Committee man hours involved which are split across all members of the Committee:

- September - 12 hours Stocktake, choosing decorations for the year, bagging each decoration with current stock of material and identify what is to be procured.
- October - 9 hours cutting existing material to size
- November - 200 hours purchasing materials required, sub-contract some material cutting to at least 10 elves, material cutting by committee, audit check all material is placed correctly in each decoration bag, allocate to class and teachers
- December - 8 hours on Tree Trimming Day overseeing, cleaning and packing up.

Please bear in mind that without a Committee we will not be able to have a Tree Trimming in 2022 - many hands make light work. Please don't delay, get in contact with Chandra Yee - chandra.yee@hotmail.com

We wish you a happy and safe term break.

Kind regards,

The Year 1 Team.



Dear Parents,

Teachers are currently preparing to write end of year reports which will include one photo of learning across the curriculum. To show some of the Adventure Way attributes e.g. collaboration, we may need to include other students in these photos. We need permission for your child to be in photos used on other children's reports. Please complete the form below and **return it to your child's teacher by Friday 22nd October** either by email or in hard copy.

With thanks,
Rebecca St Clair and Vanessa Burn
Kowhai Team Leaders

I give permission / do not give permission for my child's photo to be used on other children's reports.

Child's name: _____

Room Number: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____