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TERM DATES

Term 1

28th Jan – 9th April

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February

- 14th – Wheels Day
- 17th – BOT Meeting
- 19th – Small Schools Swimming
- 21st – Junior Swim Display
- 25th – 26th – Rm 1 & 2 Camp
- 26th – COPS Swimming
- 26th – 1st – HUNTING COMP

March

- 1st – HUNTING WEIGH IN
- 4th – Yr 5-8 Swim Safe
- 6th – Triathlon

SCHOOL LUNCH'S

- 14th Feb – Sausage Sizzle
- 21st Feb – Sausage Sizzle
- 28th Feb – Sausage Sizzle
- 6th March – Sausage Sizzle
- 13th March – Sausage Sizzle
- 20th March – Sausage Sizzle
- 27th March – Pita Pit



Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers and Whanau,

Inspiring well rounded students who are ready for their future.

Nau mai ki te wiki tahi.

Welcome to 2020! What a fantastic start to the year we have had. Our staff and students have settled into school and are well under way with the school programmes.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank our families who were able to make it to our Māihiihi School Hui. We hope you enjoyed your time with us and that we were able to answer your questions and queries to your satisfaction. Our staff got a lot out of the informal conversations as well as your written feedback, so thank you. We will collate your thoughts and they will help us with some decision making moving forward.

Congratulations to our new student leaders for 2020. I am positive you will represent our school to a high standard and make us proud. Please be sure to check them out in this Newsletter!

Just a reminder that we will be endeavouring to put all notices, newsletters and reminders on the Skool loop app. If you feel you have missed a notice, please check this app regularly as you will find them there. The app is free. We will continue to use Class Dojo for all learning related feedback and we love to keep everyone updated on Facebook as well. We find that these three are the most effective ways to communicate with our families and community. We would love to reduce the paper use with regards to notices but understand that this is the only way for some families at this time. So it will be a work in progress.

With this heat we have been reminding children to drink lots of water. We find having a drink bottle in the class helps so they can drink as they need without interrupting class. Feel free to send a named drink bottle with water along to school with your child. We understand the importance of keeping hydrated, especially at this time of the year.

Along with coming back to school means making school lunches. As a parent I have to admit it was lovely having a break from this over the holidays. Now we are back into it, coming up with healthy options that keep our kids happy can be difficult. We are hoping to pop some ideas up on Facebook. We have a few independent tamariki who have been making their own, which is awesome. We do ask that you have a quick check that they are packing some substantial lunch to help get them through the day with their learning, rather than just the yummy stuff. It can be way too tempting for our kids!

My highlights for the fortnight:

- Hearing from our students all about their holidays. It is always a highlight listening to our tamariki share stories of their break.
- Lunch time fun swims- It is lovely to see our tamariki take up the opportunity to cool off at lunch time with a fun swim. The excitement and smiles make it all worthwhile.

Have a safe and enjoyable few weeks, until next time...

Ngā mihi nui,

Maori Proverb for the Week

Manawa piharau

Determined until the end.

VIRTUES

Responsibility

- Being asked to do a job
- Making good decisions
- Being able to be trusted

MAIHIIHI SCHOOL HOUSE POINTS

2020

KIWI	1
KEA	3
KERERU	
TUI	