



What's happening in P5A in Term 2?

Kia ora everyone!

I cannot believe we are already into November, and the end of the year is coming around very quickly. This term we welcome Miss Duffy, who will be with us for seven weeks for her teaching placement. We have another very busy term planned and I am looking forward to seeing what everyone in P5A achieves.

Look out for MARVELLOUS ME, blog posts, and our Twitter Takeover at the end of the term!

Mrs Cornwall

LITERACY

Reading: This term P5A will be reading fiction texts. These will be chosen by the children based on their interests, and students will respond to the texts by answering questions that promote critical thinking.

Writing: Our writing this term will be focused on narratives. We will be looking at how we can use similes and metaphors to describe specific details, and how we can structure our sentences to have the most impact.

Spelling: This term we will be continuing to follow a needs based spelling programme in class. On a Monday, we will learn and practise a new spelling rule/strategy with spelling words being given for homework. Please support your child to use the 5 step; look, say, cover, write, check method for homework each week.

Listening and Talking: P5A watch and discuss Newsround every day. This is followed up by questions, quizzes, personal opinions and discussions on current affairs.

NUMERACY

Numeracy will be taught daily. This term we are continuing to develop our multiplication and division skills. We are also going to be learning about area, perimeter, creating and analysing a variety of graphs, and understanding number patterns.

We will continue with Number Talks to develop mathematical language through discussions on how we approach number problems.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING:

It is vital that health and wellbeing be at the forefront of what we do in class. This term will be focusing on the 'Achieving' and 'Nurturing' aspects of SHANARRI, and following the Emotion Works programme in order to support students' understanding of their emotions.

REMINDERS

GYM

P5A will have PE on a Tuesday morning. Please wear your house colour or a white t-shirt, joggers/shorts and appropriate footwear. No jewellery please and longer hair needs to be tied back.

HOMEWORK

Homework activities are issued on a Monday via [Google Classroom](#) and should be completed by the following Monday. This term the activities will include:

- A reading task
- Spelling words
- Learn Its (6 X Table)

Check the overview on our Google Classroom for more details

WAYS TO SUPPORT LEARNING AT HOME

- Ask your child what they were learning today.
- Practise multiplication tables using the Learn It flashcards.
- Visit useful websites to play games linked to learning in school.

TOPIC

This term our topic is, 'Our Religious World'. We will be looking at different religions and their origins and stories.

We will also be doing a mini unit about weather, which will link to our numeracy topics.