

IMPORTANT DATES

WIKI 6 Dog Safety Programme

WIKI 6 Queen's Birthday

WIKI 6 Class Photos

WIKI 8 Movie Night

WIKI 9 Student Led Conferences

Wiki 10 Trip to Motat

LITERACY

Te Awa students have demonstrated their creativity and love of stories. This term we will focus on Narrative writing as well as topics of individual interest.

Students will continue to work in reading groups with children at similar reading levels. Students may move to new reading groups within Te Awa depending on the most appropriate group for their level.

NUMERACY

Our Maths programme will run from Monday - Friday. We will focus on multiplication, division, fractions and measurement. Students will be guided to be active in the learning process by choosing appropriate maths learning groups to attend. Students will also be able to engage in 'Maker Space' where they can explore their own creativity through guided or self guided activities.

ABOUT TE AWA

Kia ora whānau,

Welcome to Term 2! We are very excited about the Term ahead and all of the learning opportunities for our students to enjoy.

This term, we will be emphasising collaboration and student-led learning. Students will be active in the learning process and will be encouraged to talk about what they are learning and how they can achieve this.

We have started Kōrero groups at the end of the day. This a time to share news, discuss current events or celebrations and to talk about our learning. Students will be encouraged to talk about things they do outside of school. Feel free to email photos to support your child with Kōrero time.

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Sincerely,
Te Awa Teachers

COMMUNICATION

We value communication between school and home and we aim to provide a range of opportunities to connect with whānau. You can visit our school website for information about Oranga School and our Te Awa Blog for newsletters, notices and students work. We use Seesaw for students to share their work with whānau. Visit our Seesaw Blog here <https://blog.seesaw.me/teawa2019>

DISCOVERY

Te Awa and Te Moana will continue to work together every Friday for Discovery learning. Students will have the option to join in with any of the classrooms in the Junior block to explore and learn by engaging in different areas of interest. Discovery Learning is a method of Inquiry-Based Instruction. It encourages students to build on past experiences and knowledge, use their intuition, imagination and creativity. Students have the flexibility to move between the classes during this time in order to explore different activities.

INQUIRY

This year, our focus for Inquiry is Manaakitanga - the process of showing respect and care for others as well as generosity, kindness and support. Last term we showed our support to Christchurch and the Muslim community as a class by contributing to the Paper Chain Project. We will continue to find ways to share our respect and care towards others in a meaningful way.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education is an important part of our daily and weekly programme. We provide daily opportunities for students to participate in fitness activities. This term we will be starting Taekwondo with Kiwi Sport instructors every week. We will also have weekly PE lessons as well as Jump Jam every Friday in the hall with Te Whenua Team.

HOMEWORK

Students will receive homework from Monday to Thursday. Your child will bring home a book to read and basic facts to practise. Spelling homework will also be starting this term. Completed homework can be handed in to any of the teachers. Please support your child to complete their homework and make sure they bring their book bag to school each day.