



Growing Together For Success

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MAHURI TEAM KAWERONGO TERM 2

Kia Ora Mahuri whanau,

A warm haere mai to Term 2! We hope you had an enjoyable break with your tamaiti / child. It's good to see everybody back at kura with smiles on their faces.

MAHURI TEAM

We warmly welcome Mrs Emily Henry to Rata. Emily will be teaching in Rata 2 four days a week with Jo Keane teaching one day. Fiona Bester is the Acting Rata Team Leader. We also welcome Mrs Amy Eckersley, a student teacher from University of Canterbury, working in Rata Hub from week 2-8 this term.

AKO IN MAHURI

Uiuinga / Inquiry Ako

We will continue our major Arts focus for 2018 with our focus turning to the visual arts. Hubs will be exploring a variety of New Zealand art forms. We are hoping that this study will lead into an opportunity for Education Outside of the Classroom with a trip to the Christchurch Art Gallery in Term 3 - watch this space!

Reo Matatini / Literacy Ako

Ākongā / students will continue to work across their own hub for reading exploring fiction and/or non-fiction texts. This will include texts that hold the ākongā's interests or what is happening in the world around us. Your tamaiti will have specific learning goals according to their needs and level.

Our writing focus will continue to be based upon the text *The invention of Hugo Cabret*. Ākongā will write around the events that are taking place in the book, exploring their own ideas and opinions.

Pāngarau / Mathematics Ako

Ākongā will continue to work across the hubs for Mathematics. Learning in numeracy will focus on the ākongā's needs in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Our strand focus is in measurement: length and area, this term.

Please continue to encourage your tamaiti to practice their basic facts regularly. Please see Home Learning below for further information of practicing basic facts at home.

Pūtaiao / Science Ako

In week 3 we delve into the world of science during national Science Week. All ākongā will have the opportunity to engage in real life science with a range of kaiako. We will be focusing on the scientific method as we explore the properties of science.

Mahi Kāinga / Home Learning

In term 2 your tamaiti will work on their Mahuri Basic Facts Passport. In doing so, they will work towards and receive their Attitude Award for demonstrating that value. Tamaiti are given a list of basic facts to learn / complete. When returned to their kaiako they will get a country flag and facts to add to their passport. They are then given another list of facts and the process continues until completed. Please note, the last day for signing off home learning tasks will be **Friday 29th June**. Please encourage your tamaiti to complete this work over the term as there will be **no** extensions to this date.

We would like to thank the tamariki and whanau who worked hard on their Mahuri Reading Passports last term. Thank you for your continued support and encouragement of your tamaiti to achieve these tasks.

Kāhui Mahuri / Mahuri Year 6 Leadership Group

Within the first few weeks of term we will be establishing our Kāhui Mahuri for Year 6 ākonga. We will be looking for ākonga who are interested in showing leadership and supporting Mahuri events, kaiako, other ākonga and daily life. We will be getting together with the ākonga to explain what the Kāhui Mahuri is all about, the application process and the timeframe around this. If your ākonga is in Year 6 and is interested in putting themselves forward, they will be coming home with more information this week.

HĀKINAKINA / SPORT

Hākinakina Kaiako / Sports Coaching

We will continue with our fortnightly hākinakina kaiako / sports coaching again this term. Each ngāhere has a half hour session in which they receive coaching from the two experts from the North Canterbury Sports & Recreation Trust every Thursday. Sessions will begin in Week 1 of Term 2.

Cross Country

Our kura cross country is going to be held on Wednesday 23rd May (week 4), postponement on Wednesday 30th May. All tamaiti will be expected to run over a course that is 1-3 km long. Please encourage your tamaiti to spend some of his / her free time working on his / her fitness in the coming weeks. We will also be working on this at school.

The Rakahuri Winter Sports Competition

The Year 5/6's from Mahuri will be competing in the Rakahuri Primary Schools Winter Friday Sports Competition. Every Friday from Friday 25th May (week 4) onwards, ākonga will travel to venues around Rangiora to compete in their chosen sport against other Rakahuri schools. There will be a one day tournament Tuesday 3rd July with the postponement date Wednesday 4th July or Thursday 5th July. The sport competition will conclude in week 3 of term 3. Tamaiti will travel to venues on a bus. The Year 4 students will participate in sporting activities at school.

To make this possible, we need your support with either coaching or managing teams each Friday. Please look out for a sport with details later this term. We wish to thank all the whanau in advance for giving up their time to manage sports teams and support the tamaiti in this tournament.

Kauhoe / Swimming

Starting on Tuesday 1st May (Kowhai) / Thursday 3rd May (Rata) Mahuri ākonga will be taking part in swimming lessons at Dudley Pool. They will receive lessons on a Tuesday / Thursday of each week (ten in total) until the end of the term, Tuesday 3rd July / Thursday 5th July.

On these days the tamaiti will need to bring a healthy snack, a drink, togs, towel and goggles. Please ensure all gear is clearly named in a suitable swimming bag that is large enough to hold all your tamaiti uniform and shoes while swimming. Please also ensure the \$16.00 swimming fee has been paid before the commencement of your tamaiti swimming lesson.

Hotoke / Winter

As the weather gets colder it is important for the tamaiti to be dressed appropriately to play outside. They are required to play outside unless it is raining, so the school polar fleece is needed on cold days. Appropriate winter shoes and jackets are also required please.

Finally, if your tamaiti is feeling unwell or has a heavy cold please keep him/her at home. As you will appreciate in a busy learning environment germs can spread very quickly and we need to avoid this if possible.

If you would like to make contact with any of us, please feel free to come into class, email (kaiako firstnamelastname@ashgrove.school.nz) or phone the school to make an appointment.

We look forward to another great term working with your tamariki.

Ngā mihi nui,

Andrea Woolford, Kristyn Ferry, Graham Aldous, Shallie Doney, Lainie Roddis, Angelina Stearn, Emily Henry and Fiona Bester.

Mahuri Term 2 Overview 2018

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	30 April	1 May Swimming Kowhai	2	3 NC Sport Swimming Rata	4
2	7	8 Swimming Kowhai ICAS Digital	9	10 Swimming Rata	11 Whole School Assembly House Games
3	14 Science week Indoor Basketball qualifying (Year 5/ 6)	15 Swimming Kowhai	16	17 NC Sport Swimming Rata	18 Strike Percussion 9:30-10:30am
4	21	22 Swimming Kowhai	23 Cross Country	24 Swimming Rata	25 Whole School Assembly Winter sport
5	28	29 Swimming Kowhai ICAS Science	30 Cross Country Postponement	31 NC Sport Swimming Rata	1 June Winter Sport
6	4 Queens Birthday	5 Swimming Kowhai	6 Rakahuri Cross Country	7 Swimming Rata PP Rakahuri Cross Country	8 Whole School Assembly Winter Sport
7	11	12 NZ Playhouse Swimming Kowhai	13 ICAS Spelling	14 NC Sport Swimming Rata ICAS writing	15 Winter Sport
8	18 Rippa Rugby Qualifying (Year 5/6)	19 Swimming Kowhai PP Rippa Rugby Qualifying Tournament (Year 5/6)	20 Canterbury School Cross Country Championships	21 Swimming Rata	22 Whole School Assembly Winter Sport
9	25 Year 5/6 Indoor Basketball & Volleyball tournament Student Conferences this week	26 Swimming Kowhai	27	28 NC Sport Swimming Rata	29 Winter Sport
10	2 July Rippa Rugby Tournament (Year 5/6)	3 Swimming Kowhai One day Winter Tournament	4 One day Winter Tournament Postponement	5 Swimming Rata One day Winter Tournament Postponement	6 Whole School Assembly