

Team Explore

Newsletter

Term 4, 2016



Clearview Primary
Te Kura o Marama

Skilled thinkers and communicators
stepping out with confidence.



Welcome back to Team Explore

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CHILD QUOTE:

I I REALLY ENJOY MATHS BECAUSE WE DO FUN STUFF. WE GOT TO BUILD PIÑATA. WE WERE ONLY ALLOWED TO USE A COUPLE OF SHEETS OF NEWSPAPER. WE HAD TO DIVIDE THE LOLLIES IN OUR GROUP. – PATRICK

CHILD QUOTE:

I ENJOY DOING FREE WRITING AND WRITING STORIES BECAUSE YOU CAN MAKE IT UP AND USE YOUR IMAGINATION. YOU CAN LET YOUR MIND DO IT'S OWN THING. – HARPER

Upcoming Dates

11 - 13 October: School Photos

14 October: Team Hui 1.30pm

16 October: Clearview Fete

19 October: Have-a-go Tennis

21 October: Whole School Assembly 9am
Year 3's Sport's Spectacular Day

24 October: Labour Day

25 October: Have-a-go Tennis

26 -27 October: Art Gallery trip

4 November: Whole School Assembly 9am

18 November: Whole School Assembly 9am

25 November: Team Hui 1.30pm

29 November: Junior Athletics (Postponement: 30 November)

2 December: Whole School Assembly 9am

9 December: team Hui 1.30pm (HB7/8 Hosting)

14 December: Junior Prizegiving 11.30
Shared Lunch with parents

16 December: Last day of school.

Exploring in Term Four

This term we are continuing to explore how we can work with each other in positive ways. Each homebase will have circle time sessions where the children will look at positive ways to solve problems, building self-esteem and working together.

Our Inquiry focus this term is on the nature of science and we will be looking into chemical reactions.

Activities for Term 4

We have a visit to the art gallery combined with a play at the Margaret Mahy playground. More information about costs can be found in the separate letter that has gone home about this.

Library

Homebase 7/8: Thursdays

Homebase 10/11/12: Wednesdays

Read and Feed

We break for a story and a snack at 10am. This should be a healthy snack such as vegetables or fruit.

Maths Inspiration

Maths is often perceived as having one correct answer and that you are either good at maths or you are not. This is not the case and we are encouraging our children



to see maths in different ways. We are starting term four with some maths inspiration to reinforce and promote differential and creative thinking. Mistakes are how our brains grow and how we learn!

Meetings with the teacher

We are available in our homebases from 8.30am for general chats and greetings. If you have any concerns or would like a more formal meeting please contact your homebase teacher to arrange an appointment time before or after school. Please be aware that we may have other school commitments.



We look forward to an exciting term with you and your children!

Adele, Claire, Tracy, Ngaire and Nathan

Literacy - A reminder

As our children are becoming confident using a range of strategies to decode text we start to focus more on understanding what the text is saying. The children are switching from 'learning to read' to 'reading to learn'. Your child will not move up colour levels as frequently as they did in their first year of schooling. Your child may not bring home a different reading book each day as the texts are longer and teachers are focusing lessons on using comprehension strategies. There will be weekly library sessions and a selection of familiar readers that children can bring home. We encourage your child to continue to read each night. You are welcome to use your own books or books from the local library as well. Continue to make reading enjoyable!