

# TERM THREE

# Team Tāiri

## HI EVERYONE,

Welcome back to Term 3, we hope you all had a great time over the holidays.

We have an exciting term of learning ahead, especially with our inquiry about how music and dance has changed over time and how music and dance helps us to connect to each other. We start off this week with a visit from the Army Band Quartet and some dancers from Selwyn School of Dance. In week two, we are having a 'Dangerous Decibels' workshop which will complement our learning from last term about sound and how the ear works. In week five and six, we will be participating in Dances in Schools which is really exciting. An email about Dances in Schools was sent in the last week of term, so please check Linc-Ed for this if you missed it.

We have learning conferences in week two and look forward to seeing many of you then. This is a great chance to catch up on the progress of your child and it is also an opportunity for them to share some of their learning with you.

At the end of last term, a mid year general comment was shared out on Linc-Ed Hero. If you haven't read this yet, please log into Hero and take a look. Progression dials were also updated towards the end of the term so are up to date with where your child is working for reading, writing and maths. If you are having any trouble understanding these dials, please do not hesitate to pop in and chat to your child's teacher about them or ask at interviews. It is important to remember that there is a grey area each side of the levels so students may still be finishing off one level as they move into the next. There is no 'one size fits all' to progressions and these need to be taken as a snapshot of where your child is at - please don't compare them to others.

We look forward to seeing you at conferences and stay tuned for updates about how our music and dance inquiry is progressing.

## What IS COMING UP?

### Week 1:

Tues - Army band visit  
Wed - Dance school visit

### Week 2:

Tues - Learning conferences 2pm finish  
Wed - Learning conferences  
Wed-Fri - Dangerous Decibels Workshops (to finish off our science learning around sound)

### Week 5/6:

Dances in Schools workshops every day - cost \$35

## TEAM TĀIRI reminders

- please remember to arrive as close to the 8:30am bell as possible (not earlier) There isn't supervision earlier than 8:30am and it is very cold out there!
- On PE days, please ensure your child wears their Clearview jacket/fleece with their PE uniform - not a mufti hoodie or sweatshirt
- Your child's HB teacher is your first port of call. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact them to arrange a time to chat.



# Digital Safety

Here is a reminder of our digital safety information that we shared at the beginning of the year. We can't stress enough, the importance of regularly checking in to see what your child is doing and watching online on their devices. Even popular apps such as tik tok have been in the media recently with inappropriate content and highlighting predators that are using apps such as these to connect with youth.

Living in a digital age, being present 'online' is becoming more of a 'thing' and at times a real issue for parents and schools.

Below are some important discussion points to consider and we would love you to have a conversation with your family at home about the following:

- is their online activity private? Are any of their accounts eg tiktok, YouTube, Roblox secure? **They should only follow and be followed by people they know in real life.**
- are they posting videos or content while in school uniform? This is not recommended at all due to the ease of being able to be located.
- you must have permission to photograph or video others
- you must ask your friend if it is ok to post a video of them on a platform such as tiktok. Their home rules may differ to yours.
- are group chat apps being used appropriately? Does your child know what to do if one of their friends starts typing mean things about someone?

We highly recommend visiting <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/> as it has a bank of resources to support you and your child with being safe online and dealing with any issues that may arise.

