

TEAM TĀIRI

HI EVERYONE,

A warm welcome to Team Tairi Yr 5/6. We are so excited to be heading into a new school year with you all. A warm welcome to the nine new families joining us from other schools - we hope you love our school as much as we do! This newsletter will hopefully cover all of the information that you need to know for Term 1. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to email myself or your child's HB teachers and we will do our best to answer.

Kind regards,
Katie Morriss - Team Leader

Take a look at our 2021 teaching team

We work collaboratively in Tāiri. This means that our teachers work closely together to plan and implement teaching and learning programmes for their zones. There are endless benefits to collaboration both for students and teachers. This is one of the Clearview Competencies that we will focus on and develop throughout the year.

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Emails and communication....

Our main form of communication with you will be via email. These are sent using our Linc Ed Hero system. **If your notifications are set up correctly, you will get an email in your inbox which displays the first part of the email.** You then need to click "view full notice" to be able to see the rest of the text and any attachments. It appears that some families aren't doing this and are missing vital information. It also pays to regularly check that you are logged into your Hero App (sometimes it logs you out) this helps to take you straight to the email with minimal fuss.

Please ask us for some help if you are having any trouble accessing and/or receiving emails from us.

CAMP!

It feels so odd to be discussing camp in the first newsletter but it is going to come around VERY fast!

In Term 2, we are off to Living Springs Camp for three days of FUN and ADVENTURE.

Dates for camp are:

Camp One - Wednesday 12th May - Friday 14th May

Camp Two - Wednesday 19th May - Friday 21st May

Which homebase is attending which camp is being confirmed and will be on the camp notice sent out in a couple of weeks when we will be asking for parent volunteers who would like to come along on camp. There will be a separate email for this with a form to fill out.

Please note, we can't possibly take everyone! Last year we had over 40 offers of help for 19 positions.

There will be loads of camp information towards the end of the term and we will also let you know the date of our parent information evening. This is for anyone who wants to know more about what we do on camp and also some tips for dealing with children who are anxious about camp.

The contribution for camp will be approximately \$180-200.

Learning Partnership Meetings

Monday 22nd February and Tuesday 23rd February

A chance to meet your child's teacher and let us know about your child's strengths, ways of learning and areas to focus on. We hope to see you then!

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Must haves...

- **Clearview PE Top**

From Yr 5, students need a Clearview PE Top. These can be purchased from NZ Uniforms on Blenheim Road

- **HATS, HATS, HATS**

Hats are compulsory for Term 1 & 4. These must be a Clearview School hat. Please help us by having your child leave their caps and alternative hats at home

- **Book boxes**

Your child needs a book box this year. They may reuse one from last year or they can be purchased for \$5 from the office

- **NAMED Stationery**

Please, please, please clearly name all stationery - yes, even each and every pen and colouring pencil! This will help your child to keep their stationery together and also helps us return it if it is found on the floor. Sharpie rubs off pens and pencils so our recommendation is to write or print names on paper and Sellotape them on to individual items.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

Below are some events that we know are occurring this year and the approximate associated cost so that you are able to plan accordingly.

- Athletics \$20 (Term 1)
- Camp \$180-\$200 (Term 2)
- Reading Plus \$20 (Term 3 and 4)
- Swimming lessons \$35 (Term 4)

LEARNING FOCUS FOR 2021...

- **Identity**

Identity is the beliefs, personality, looks or expressions that make a person. This can be shaped by internal and external influences.

- **Enterprise**

Enterprise requires a willingness, energy, boldness from entrepreneurs to begin new ventures or see new possibilities. This may be a company, business, organisation, or another purposeful endeavour.

- **Cause and Effect**

Things do not just happen, there are always reasons, things or events which lead to action and reaction.

These themes will form the basis of our inquiry throughout the year and will also be integrated across the curriculum.

Digital Safety

We will kick off our year with learning about digital safety and how to stay safe online. While doing this, each zone will develop guidelines that the students will agree to follow when using their own device or a school device.

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 found some valuable information for parents and educators during the holidays that gives a good overview of commonly used apps and what you need to know and what you might not know about particular apps. I 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.

