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Kia ora e te whānau

It feels great to be back at school. I enjoyed the opportunity to spend a couple of months with my family but it feels great to escape my bubble and experience a bit of normality. I hope you were also able to experience some memorable family time. The first couple of days back were used to re-establish boundaries and expectations for the rest of the term. It has been pleasing to see Room 2 students return to school with a positive attitude. As you can imagine social distancing with 27 students can be rather difficult, however we are taking precautions by regularly wiping down tables and washing hands after break times. Due to Covid-19 there won't be as many events planned this term for Knighton children to attend. I am hopeful that some of these activities may go ahead in term 3 instead.



Term two school focus: Be organised / whakarite

Come ready to learn
Have your stationery organised
Look after your belongings
Keep the classroom and playground tidy

Literacy:

During term two writing will cover a range of different genres that are compatible with our topic studies (Tourism). Students will be shown writing examples to help them form their own. Each student will continue to work on their individual writing learning intention that was identified during term one. Your child will also be given reading, grammar and spelling activities to help support their learning.

Maths:

Due to the time off as a result of Covid 19 the senior teachers decided that it was important for students to reconnect with their classroom teachers. Therefore, there will be no cross-group maths for the first two weeks back. When things resume Room 2 will continue cross grouping with the other classes throughout the senior school based on the needs of each child. Students are able to practice their maths at home using a range of different online activities such as www.studyladder.co.nz, www.prodigy.com, www.maths.prototec.co.nz, www.factmonster.com.



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Topic:

This term Room 2 will be studying tourism. We will be learning about the impact Covid-19 has had on this important industry. Discussing the difference between a domestic and an international tourist and looking at local and national tourist attractions to help the students come up with their own ideas. They will then use this new-found knowledge to design child friendly tourist attractions that could help boost the economy without damaging the environment.

Medical Forms:

If your child requires any medication during school hours you are asked to please visit the office to complete a permission slip. Any medication will be stored safely and administered by the office staff.

Hats:

Hats are not required to be worn during term 2 or 3. Please put your child's hat in a safe place so you can find it easily at the beginning of term 4.



The Hamilton City Council bike safety day had to be one of the highlights of term 1. This was as good as 'Balloons over Waikato' got this year.

Library:

Te Hihiri will be using the library as they await the building of their new classroom. As a result, the library will be closed however teachers are able to issue a class set of books.

Classdojo:

I will continue to use Classdojo to upload photos and keep parents informed during term two.

PE

Room 2 will be focusing on building our catching and throwing skills during PE.

Kind regards James Penman