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Welcome back! I hope everyone had an amazing break and is ready to get back in the full swing of kura, I certainly am! Once again the term is very busy, but I can guarantee there will be lots of learning and fun.

Our Learning in Term 2

Our Knighton Way focus is: Organisation- Whakarite

We will spend time exploring what this means for us as a wh \bar{a} nau. If you would like to find out more about

the Knighton Way, our values or dispositions, please visit our school website

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- → Managing own property and things.
- → Being ready for learning, and completing mahi on time.
- → Accepting responsibility for my own actions.
- → Self motivation
- → 'Can-Do' Attitude
- → Making plans, setting goals and setting high standards for oneself.

Concept learning

We are finishing off our Whare Tapa Wha learning and looking at other cultural models that represent health and well-being.

<u>NZ Music Month (May)-</u> We will be exploring music, and generating our own music through bucket drumming. This will be a lot of fun, and a great opportunity for children to express their creativity.

<u>Science</u>: We will also be completing a science kit called Who-dunnit where we will look at forensic science.

<u>Te Ao M \bar{a} ori:</u> This term we will be looking at whai (string games) as well as continuing with other lessons around language. Additionally, throughout week 9 we will be spending time with our p \bar{e} pi and teina class to celebrate Matariki.



We have Erin Stewart who is joining us to complete her 5 week practicum beginning week 6. Erin is at kura each Wednesday as well.

Kia ora, I am currently doing my Masters of Teaching at Waikato Uni after completing a BSc in chemistry. I have loved teaching and being a part of Akomanga 32 so far, the tamariki have been very welcoming and engaging. I went to Knighton when I was



younger, it was a great school for me and my learning, so I am excited to come back and learn in a place that was so influential to me as a child. In my spare time I enjoy reading and being active, I play football for the university and frequent the gym. I am looking forward to my 5 week practicum gaining the skills and knowledge I need to be a better kaiako.



Tissues

To help maintain a healthy classroom we use tissues for runny noses and sneezes. With the winter months approaching we will need these much more. Thank-you to people who have already donated some, it would be greatly appreciated if these donations could keep coming in.

Clothing

Again, as the winter months approach and with many children getting involved in extracurricular sports, tamariki will need to have a spare change of clothes in their bag.

Seesaw

It is great to see so many views on Seesaw, this is a great way to have a sneak peak into what is happening in our Akomanga. It is always a way that you can communicate with me if needed.

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