

# Junior 2 Syndicate Newsletter - Term 1

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome back! It was lovely to see some sun in the holidays. Hopefully we will get plenty more over the term. We are all looking forward to a great year of fun and learning.

## 'Kia Kaha'

During Term 1 we will be introducing the 'Kia Kaha' programme. Kia Kaha is designed to help schools create communities where everyone feels safe, respected and valued. Kia Kaha has been developed by the Youth Education Service of the New Zealand Police. The programme will be taught by the class teacher, with occasional help from our local police education officer. The Junior 2 classes will be focusing on the first part of the programme in Term 1, with the remainder of the units spread throughout the year. Some of the worksheets completed at school will be pasted into your child's Homework Book so they can share what we have been doing with you. Occasionally there will be activities to do at home. Please support your child by helping with the tasks.

## Fitness and PE

PE for this term is swimming. A swimming notice can be found in your child's Homework Book. It is important that your child participates fully in the swimming programme. Please send a note to your child's teacher if they are unable to swim for medical reasons.

Our Fitness focus this term is running. Please ensure your child has appropriate footwear every day.

## Reminders:

- ☺ Children are not allowed inside the classrooms until after the 8.15 bell.
- ☺ All children need to be at school ready to start class by the 8.55 bell.
- ☺ All children should have a change of clothes in case of an accident in the playground
- ☺ Sneakers/sandshoes are needed every day for fitness and PE.
- ☺ Drink bottles are allowed in the classroom - preferably water.
- ☺ Please ensure your child has enough food to last them the whole day.
- ☺ **HATS, HATS, HATS** - please provide a hat that can be left at school this term.

## Junior 2 Teachers

The 'Junior 2' syndicate is made up of three experienced teachers with a range of strengths and hidden talents! We are thrilled to be back teaching your children. Please come in and introduce yourself.

<b>Catherine Pulford</b>	Room 3 - Year 2 & 3
<b>Vanessa Graham</b>	Room 6 - Year 2 & 3
<b>Helen Coakley</b>	Room 7 - Year 1 & 2

## Important events and dates

### Meet the Teacher Evening

Wednesday 16 February 3.30pm-6.00pm

### Parent Interviews: 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> April

You will be advised if your child needs an interview this term.

Last Day of Term: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April

## Student Health

We have a child at school who has leukaemia and is currently undergoing chemotherapy treatment. This means that any common childhood infection is highly contagious and dangerous. Please help us by advising the office if your child has chickenpox, measles etc. so we can alert the parents of this child. Thank you for your cooperation.

