



# Nikau Newsletter Term 2



Welcome back to the Nikau team for term two. We hope you all enjoyed a fantastic and relaxing holiday.

Term 2 is a busy term with lots on, so please read the information to find out what is happening. To help your child settle quickly into class routines could you please ensure they arrive at school after 8.30 am, but before the 8.55 am morning bell. School starts at 8.55 am. The school day finishes at 2.55pm. Remember classrooms will be locked until 8:30am.

Please feel welcome to pop into the classroom before and after school to view your child's work. There may be times when you wish to discuss your child with us. If we are not immediately available, we will arrange a convenient time to talk. It is very important to have good communication between home and school and we hope you will contact us if you have any concerns or queries.

## Curriculum

We are focusing on safety this term. Constable Wansink will be supporting us to teach the children about road safety and keeping ourselves safe. She has also held a parent meeting about the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme on Tuesday the 9th of May, which some of you may have attended.

There will be a team trip to the Science Roadshow on Friday 16th June. Information for this will be coming home soon.

**Weeks 1-2 - Road Safety**

**Week 3 - Digital Safety**

**Week 4-5 - Keeping Ourselves Safe**

**Weeks 6-10 Science**

For literacy, students will be learning to write poetry in the first half of the term, and explanations for the latter half. They will also continue to develop their planning, writing and editing skills and will use the Long Bay carriages to guide them.

Mathematics programmes will be based around statistics (probability) and measurement (volume, capacity and weight) and number. With the number programme, we will be grouping within the class, based on the needs of the students.

Cross country is a big event this term. Students will be preparing for it with physical exercises and games aimed to improve their fitness. There will be times they will need to practise running on the field and a change of clothes is recommended as the field can get very muddy. Our skills and games focus is catching, throwing and kicking in the context of invasion games.

## School Uniform

Students should be wearing our school uniform with pride. It is important that the correct uniform is worn however we do understand that there may be times when it is necessary for non-regulation items to worn. An explanatory note would be appreciated. As we are entering the colder season, students should have a school jumper and a raincoat available. If girls are wearing tights, they must be navy or black. Please make sure all clothes are labelled.

## Parent Help

Parent help is always welcome and there are many tasks that you can do to assist. For example supervising with trips outside the classroom, coaching or helping with sports teams etc. Please contact your child's teacher if you wish to help. Also we do appreciate assistance with school-wide programmes such as Bookworm and sporting events.

## Book Bags, Library Books and Notices

Please remember that students need their book bags every day. They need it for notices, home learning and for their readers and library books.

Every class has a weekly library visit and students are able to borrow up to 3 books. They have 2 weeks to read or renew these books. We are finding some books are overdue for months, so please can they be returned. They are unable to borrow a new book if there is an overdue book.



**Upcoming Events**

Teacher Only Day - Week 5 : Friday 2nd June  
Cross Country - Week 6: Thursday 8th June for 8 year olds and above. (Save Day 12th June)  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June for seven year olds and below.  
Rippa Rugby Tournament - Week 7 : Thursday 15th June (raindate is 20th June)  
Science Roadshow - Week 7 : Friday 16th June  
School Disco - Week 9 - Friday 30th June  
Midyear Reports - Week 9. Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June.  
Parent Teacher Interviews - Week 10 : Wednesday 5th July

**ICAS EXAM Dates for Term Two, for registered students**

Tuesday 23rd May - ICAS Digital Technologies  
Tuesday 30th May - ICAS Science  
Tuesday 13th June - ICAS Writing  
Wednesday 14th June - ICAS Spelling



Thank you from all the teachers in Nikau teachers.  
We look forward to another wonderful term with all of the children.

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