

Welcome to Nikau

Rooms 17,18,19

Term 1 2018

Kia ora tatou. Welcome to the Nikau Team

We hope you and your child will enjoy being part of our learning community this year.

For Year 3/4 students it can take a few weeks to adjust to new routines and expectations. Our aim is to support the students to a point where they are gaining independence.

School Hours

To help your child settle in to class routines, please ensure they arrive after 8:30a.m. but before 8:55a.m. School finishes at 2:55p.m.

Hats

School policy requires a hat to be worn outdoors during Terms One and Four. **'No hat, no play'** means a child not wearing a hat must stay in the shade areas.

School Uniform

The uniform is compulsory for all students at Long Bay Primary School and we encourage the correct uniform to be worn every day. Uniform items are available from the school office. Please ensure all uniform is named.

Drink Bottles

Water is a must for hot days; therefore it is recommended that students have a clearly named plastic drink bottle of water.

Swimming

Swimming notices have been sent home. Please pay using the LBP Shop. Aquatics are part of the physical education curriculum and water safety and water confidence are very important skills to develop. All students are encouraged to participate, regardless of their level of swimming competence and confidence.

Homework

There will be a homework sheet that comes home on a Friday. All students are expected to complete reading and maths learning each week. There is also a vocabulary activity that focuses on how words work and spelling rules, rather than learning a spelling list.

Extra Curricular Activities

There will be opportunities for students to join a range of lunchtime and after school activities.

Library

Our Library day is on a Monday where students can issue books. This will begin next week.

Collaborative Learning

This year we are completing a teaching inquiry in Collaborative Learning. Nikau will be exploring collaborative learning in PE, Art, Contextual Inquiry, and Library Skills. During these times you child may be working with any one of the teachers in our team. This is a great opportunity for us to build relationships with students across the 3 classrooms.

The Long Bay Way

Each student has a book where they earn rewards for following our school values outlined in The Long Bay Way. These will be a focus through our learning programmes. Students who have earned 10 stickers will be acknowledged in assembly and a certificate awarded in class.

Our Learning

This term we are looking at Ko Wai Au? - Who am I? We are looking at who we are as individuals and as a class of learners. This will be integrated in all aspects of the curriculum.

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.

Important Dates

Please keep up to date with upcoming events via our school newsletter and website.

Communication

If you have any questions or queries, please contact your classroom teacher in the first instance. If you require further support, Lisa Leggett (team leader), Julie Butler and Jo Patrick (Assistant Principals) or Linda Barton (Principal) will be happy to assist.

Email is a great way to keep in touch with us.

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We are looking forward to a fantastic year with our amazing students!

Kind regards,
Nikau Team