

# Jungle Team News - Term 1 2019

Kia Ora and welcome to a great year of learning in the Junior and Middle school classes. A very warm welcome to our new families and students. A big welcome also to Meagan Flett, who is joining our team in Mokomoko room.

Our team:

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Some of Term 1's highlights will be the: Welcome Powhiri, Welcome Back Breakfast, & Book Week.

## Term 1 Learning

English 	Written Language	Writing is primarily based on personal experiences and the writing process e.g. forming and recording ideas. Writing Genre is based on Purpose (PIE): Persuade, Inform & Entertain
	Reading	Shared and Guided Reading at Instructional levels Home readers will come home Mon-Thurs, Poem books on Fridays for juniors (years 0-2) Library books will come home each week once the library opens
Mathematics 	Number	Addition & Subtractions (Numeracy) Multiplication & Division (Numeracy)
	Strand	Statistics (Graphing) Time (Measurement) Relationships and Patterns (Algebra)
Inquiry	Social Science (Major) Technology (Minor)	Provocative Questions (to generate deep thought) ANZAC is just another holiday.
Physical Education & Fitness	Weeks 1-6 Swimming Weeks 7-11: Year 0-2 Fundamental movement skills Year 3/4 Summer small ball skills/games Fitness will include Jump Jam, Skipping, Circuits, Zumba & Go Noodle (Year 0-2)	
Te Ao Maori & Performing Arts	Mrs Glover will be working with some of our classes to integrate te āo Māori and the performing arts across the curriculum. Miss Davis and Mrs Flett will be doing this within their class programmes. This term, we will all be learning greetings and numbers in te āo māori and the performing arts focus will be Drama.	
The Arts	Visual Art - Ag Day Art & 1 piece for the wall	The Arts - Drama Focus
Hauora Focus	Making Connections and Giving	

## Term 1 Assessment

Each class will complete the following testing:

Year 0 -4: Alphabet & Sight Words (juniors only)

JAM math testing/GLoSS (numeracy)

Ongoing running records of reading (PM Benchmark/PROBE)

E-asTTle Writing sample

Peters Spelling

Basic Facts

Ongoing formative assessment



Assessments, observations and bookwork throughout the year will be used to group students, identify next steps and report to whānau on where your child is at in relation to the NZ Curriculum.

Our students will be sharing their progress and achievement at Mid and End of Year Student Led Conferences. Please do not hesitate to approach your child's classroom teacher during the year if you have any questions or concerns in relation to where your child is at.

## New Bell Times

Research has proven that students learn best in the morning.

As a result, Karaka School has changed their bell times in order to maximise learning time. Students will be having a brain food break during the morning block. Food - fruit, vegetables, crackers, cheese (healthy food only - nothing messy please). Please remember we are a nut free school.

*Morning Block* 8:45am - 11:00am

*Middle Block* 11:20 - 12:30pm

*Afternoon Block* 1:20pm - 2:45pm



## Home Learning

This year home learning will include daily reading, basic facts practice, sight words/spelling and completion of unfinished class work. The purpose of home learning this year is to reinforce and continue to develop important self management skills. Please support and encourage your children to complete these tasks.



## SunSmart

Hats are to be worn everyday throughout Term 1. Please ensure that your child has sunscreen applied in the mornings before school, we have sunscreen at school for the students to use during the day. If your child doesn't have a hat they will be required to sit under the junior or senior shade areas.

## Togs & Change of Clothes

Please ensure that your child brings their named togs and a named towel in a named bag for swimming daily. If they are not able to participate in swimming a note or email to the classroom teacher explaining the reason will be required.

## Yummy Stickers

We are collecting Yummy apple stickers again for free sports equipment for the school. There are Yummy apple sticker charts in all rooms and if you wanted your own chart for home please Google: Yummy Apple Sticker Chart.



## What's On?

Week 2	5th February	Welcome Back Breakfast
	8th February	Powhiri & Whānau Hui
Week 5	26th February	Mufti Day and Sausage Sizzle
Week 8	18th March	Class Photos
Week 10	2nd April	Year 3 & 4 Girls Rippa Tournament
Week 11		Book Week



Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have any further questions.

Kind regards

The Jundle Team