

# **RAUMATI BEACH SCHOOL**

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Dear Parents & Guardians,

## **ANNIVERSARY REPORTING FOR YEAR 1 & 2 STUDENTS**

This letter is to outline changes we are making on how we report to parents and families of our year 1 and 2 students. Currently you receive two reports a year, one at mid-year and one at the end of year, commenting on the progress and achievement of your child in relation to the National Standards.

### **What are the National Standards?**

National Standards (for English medium schools) are the benchmark that primary and intermediate students are expected to be able to achieve in reading, writing and maths in Years 1-8. The national standards for years 1-2 require an *after one or after two year(s)* at school judgment to be made.

*After one year* at school can be thought of as after the completion of approximately four terms or 40 weeks at school; *after two years* can be thought of as approximately eight terms or 80 weeks.

### **What does this mean for me?**

At Raumati Beach school we report a student's progress and achievement to parents twice a year. These reports provide information to the student and their family on where a child is at in their learning and what they have to do next to progress. Traditionally these reports have been sent home mid-way through the year and at the end of the school year.

This year, we are trialling sending reports home to parents of year 1 and 2 students to coincide with their start dates at school. This is called 'anniversary' reporting.

You will continue to receive two written reports on your child's progress and achievement in relation to the National Standards. However the timing of when you receive these will change. You will receive a report on the anniversary date of your child's time at school.

### **How will this work?**

*After one year at school* can be thought of as approximately four terms or 40 weeks. We will send home a report when your child has been at school for 20 weeks, reporting on your child's progress towards meeting the standard-are they on track? Your second report will come home when your child has completed 40 weeks at school.

*After two years at school* can be thought of as approximately eight terms or 80 weeks. We will send home a report when your child has been at school for 60 weeks reporting on your child's progress towards meeting the standard. The second report will come home when your child has completed 80 weeks.

You will have an opportunity to have an interview with your child's teacher, the teacher will set out some times that they are available for you to make an appointment.

If you have any further questions about reporting please see your child's teacher.

Regards,

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