# RAUMATI BEACH SCHOOL

22 February 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

#### TE MOANA 5/6 TERM ONE UPDATE

Welcome to a new year at Raumati Beach School and more specifically welcome to our team, Te Moana Yr 5/6. We trust that you all had an enjoyable summer holiday. The team has had a couple of changes from last year. We welcome Rosie Powell to Room 10 and Naomi Wright to Room 21.

## We are a SunSmart School!

The year has started with very hot temperatures and I'm sure we have all enjoyed spending time down at the beach. However, these hot temperatures can impact learning and it would be great if students remembered to have a bottle of water with them in class to keep hydrated. We are fortunate to have air-conditioning in our team so this will be used to keep the students comfortable during class time. Can you please make sure that your child has a hat to wear when outside.

## **Important Reminder**

School is NOT open until 8.30am in the morning and students are not permitted on-site without adult supervision prior to that time. This ensures the safety of your child, and means staff are free to focus on preparing for the day ahead.

## Term 1 Learning

- Math: addition and subtraction strategies, number knowledge workshops and measurement
- Literacy: Using reading and the writing process in the context of our current inquiry to focus on explanation
- Technology: Developing products that are suitable for sale at the Green Day Carnival and using the design process to develop and construct their outcome
- Physical Education: Athletics

### **Important Dates**

- Athletics. Field events week 6 date forthcoming
- Beach Clean Up Week 5 (Will decide on the exact day closer to the time re weather)
- Movin' March a month of encouraging students to get active, and walk, scooter or ride their bikes to school
- Green Day Friday 16th March 5pm-8pm
- Easter break. March 30th-April 3rd
- Whole School Assemblies Weeks 5 and 8 Kapiti College Hall

#### Seesaw

All classes at school up to Year 6 are using Seesaw as a learning portfolio. If you have not received your information sheet to sign up, please contact your teacher. If you already have an account from last year you can add your child without needing the signup sheet. We will be using Seesaw to give you a glimpse into daily and weekly life in our classrooms. It is also a great way to contact your child's teacher privately via the inbuilt messaging system.

## **Looking Ahead**

Term Two: Mahara Art, Cross Country, Matariki

Term Three: Arts Splash

Term Four: Surf Lifesaving, Hui

#### Communication

We are always happy to have parents come and speak to us about how their child is going or things happening in the class or at school. You can usually find us between 8:40am and 8:55am in our classrooms or straight after school for a quick chat or to answer any questions you may have.

If you feel you need longer, it would be best to make an appointment with your child's teacher. You can do this in person, by sending an email, or a message through Seesaw.

Please remember that if you have any concerns or questions your child's classroom teacher should always be your first point of contact.

All the teachers in Te Moana 5/6 are looking forward to a very successful Term 1 where students get to experience success and enjoy themselves whilst learning. Should you have any queries as the term develops, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or myself.

Kind Regards

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