

RAUMATI BEACH SCHOOL

8 November 2018

Kia ora whanau,

Team Kapiti: Term Four Newsletter

We have a few new families in our team: welcome to you all, we hope that we can help you settle into your new school family. We would also like to extend an official welcome to Angie Jury who is teaching room 18 until the end of this year, covering Nicole Stark who is away on maternity leave. Nga mihi nui tatou.

Learning contexts this term

This is set to be a very busy term. We will be focussing on supporting our Year 8 students in their transition to College, and preparing for our end-of-year events (see dates on separate year 8 notice). We are running a Year 7 programme for our students at this time, focussing on a self-selected inquiry. Our major focus for early in the term is preparing for camp: learning the history and geography of places we visit, developing the understandings that will help camp be successful for all. We aim to keep “regular learning” going until the end of year in order to keep students settled and engaged.

Dates for this term

The school calendar is posted on the “calendar” tab of the school website (www.raumatibeach.school.nz). Please refer to this for updated information and extra dates for our team or contact your child’s teacher.

Reporting to Parents

Written reports will be sent home for rooms 13-16 before camps begin (room 17 in week 8). There will not be a formal interviews evening, but you are welcome to make a time with your child’s teacher to discuss their learning progress.

Class Placements for 2019

Thank you for those families who shared information via the “student placement form” process (this has now closed). As happens each year, we need to ensure a balance of needs and numbers across classes and it is not guaranteed that your child will stay with their current teacher. We have surveyed students to gain their suggestions for 2019 and are currently in the process of compiling next year’s classes.

And of course...camp!

Students will learn their cabin and activity groups over the next couple of weeks. Please see the Team Kapiti section of the website (see the Teams tab) which has gear lists etc; more detailed information will come next week. We’re aware that there are several community events during our camp weeks, here is our leaving and arrival information:

Meet at RBS hall, Monday (19 and 26 Nov) 5.45am (to leave by 6.15am)

Return to RBS hall Friday (23 and 30 Nov) approx 7.30 (ferry arrives 5.45pm)

Thank you for your continued support of learning in Team Kapiti. We’re looking forward to an exciting end to the year! Please do not hesitate to contact us with any queries.

Kind regards,

No nga kaiako o te roopu Kapiti