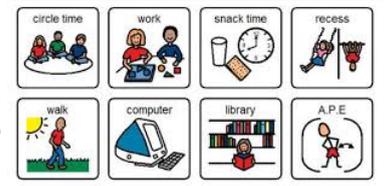




Thursday 14 March 2024

This week's PB4L Focus: Acting Responsibly in Wider School Settings

This week classes have focussed on what acting responsibly would look like within different school settings. This has included areas of the school such as the library, the playground and the classroom. Teachers and learners have created some ideas around Look - Think - Play to support behaviour within these different school settings. Continue to talk with your child about how their actions influence themselves and others around them.



He aha te tupu i Tirimoana! What's happening at Tirimoana!

Checking in on children's wellbeing and safety at school

Sometimes a child will come home and share with mum or dad, or with another family member, about an incident that they experienced at school, such as another child being mean, unkind or bullying. When this happens please let school know, because we often do not know about these incidents, or we only know part of the story. Please always feel welcome to contact the school to inquire.



We would hope that you have trust in us to manage these types of incidents. With over 600 young children at school, minor incidents happen every day, and occasionally something more significant happens. We do not expect children to be perfect because we understand that they are still learning about managing their feelings and social interactions, but we do expect children to learn from their mistakes. Teachers make judgments about which incidents need to be followed up, and which ones may only need a low level of response.

Our school policy is that if a child is intentionally hurt by another child, sometimes when provoked, and sometimes just because they feel angry or aggressive, then we will intervene and most likely will contact parents. Physical violence is not acceptable in any form. We do understand that some children are still learning this. Being influenced by others also happens often at school, so we help children to think carefully about choosing good friends whom you can trust.

At school there are a variety of possible outcomes. Always, an apology is given and some form of restorative action will take place. In more serious incidents a child may be removed from the playground as a consequence, or a child may have to attend Lunchtime class, and their parents will be informed. All incidents are recorded on our school database so that we can track patterns of behaviour. On rare occasions, in serious incidents, a child may have a formal Stand Down from school for one or two days.

Once the consequence is over, every child gets the chance to return back to regular school and class activities, usually with some extra support.

If and when you need to contact the school about any incident, we will follow up on what happened and will attempt to make change. Our aim is for every child to feel safe and happy at school, and to receive the support they need to meet our expectations for positive behaviour.

We aim to work with parents to resolve any issues. Thank you for your trust in us.

Peter Kaiser



Network Upgrade

Tirimoana School's Network is being upgraded next week. A team will be onsite removing and replacing our network equipment. This will affect how the school operates.

Please note that:

- Calls and emails into and from the school will be disrupted and it may be difficult for teachers to contact you directly via phone or email next week.
- The office will have limited phone and internet access - please limit emails or calls to the office.
- Teachers and staff will receive emails but will not be able to check them regularly so you may not get back to you immediately - please be patient.
- If your child is going to be away please make sure that you have logged your child's absence into the Edge app as that will still be accessible to the office staff.

Please also note that this upgrade does not include moving to 5G. It is only about managing the internal wireless network equipment within the school.



TOMORROW: Celebrating St Patrick's Day

Bring out your green!



St. Patrick's Day is observed in many countries and is packed with parades, good luck charms, and all things green. The event started as a religious holiday, but over time it's become a celebration of Irish culture.

Wear green accessories with your school uniform tomorrow!

Gold Coin Donation Please

Bike Safety Workshop for Year 5 and 6 students

Mr Warland will be running a bike safety workshop with Year 5 and Year 6 learners Tomorrow (Friday 15th of March) at 11:20am

This is for children who are interested in riding to school.

Learners who are interested will need to bring their own bike and a helmet. There will be training around riding and bike safety checks.



Teachers Paid Union Meetings

The Primary Teachers union, the NZEI, has called all teachers who are union members to attend a Paid Union meeting in the week beginning March 25th. School will remain open as normal for all children to attend but there will be some disruption to normal classes. We are legally required to be open for instruction but also required to release our teachers to attend the PUM. Non union members and some other senior teachers will cover the absence of our union members that attend the PUM.

Senior School Athletics Morning : Monday 9-11am



On Monday morning, Year 4-6 students will be enjoying an Athletics rotation morning, showing the skills they have all been learning over the past few weeks. Parents are welcome to join us at school for the morning.



Students are to wear their school uniform to school and change into sports/activewear that is suitable for the athletics rotation for the morning.



A coffee cart will be at school for the morning.

Zonal Athletics

A team of 30 students travelled to Rutherford College for the annual Te Atatu Zonal Athletics day. The team put in a huge amount of effort and represented the school proudly. Congratulations to the team!!



Class Photos on Wednesday

Photolife will be at school on Wednesday for class photos. Please ensure your child is wearing their correct school uniform .

Easter Raffle



Raffle books have been sent home.

- Come and see Jenny or Jean in the office if you're able to sell more.
- If you can't sell the tickets, please send the raffle book back to school.



The Raffle will be drawn at our Assembly on Thursday 28 March.

School gates

The school gates are closed shortly after the 8.50am bell. If your child arrives late to school after this time, please ensure they have safely entered the school grounds - the latch is positioned high up and may be difficult for some children to open. All gates are closed throughout the school day. Pedestrian access is via Kokiri street.



Signing out your child early from school

From time to time we understand you may need to sign your child out of school early. We ask that you please sign them out via the Vistab in the office. This ensures that your child's absence from class is recorded correctly.



Kia ora and Welcome to
Tirimoana School



Year 1	Chavin
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School is closed on Tuesday 2 April

This year Easter falls outside of the school holidays. Schools are closed on this day as a mandatory holiday as instructed by the Ministry of Education.



Please make suitable arrangements for your child to stay home on this day.

Fruit

Our learners have been enjoying the fruit bowl in the office. Thank you to Lunch with Crunch and the Te Atatu Fruit and Vege Shop who regularly support this initiative.



We would love more donations of fruit to keep this initiative going. If you have excess fruit from fruit trees at home or would like to donate a bag of fruit, please see Mrs Matthews.

Have you downloaded the School App?

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This can be downloaded from either Play Store (Android) or App Store (iOS). Search for musac edge.

Once installed you will be asked to make up a 4 digit pin then enter your edge email and password. If you haven't already created an edge password you can enter your email then tap the 'Reset edge password' button to be emailed a link to do this. Once set you can enter this password in the app then tap 'Tap here to log in'.

Connect to edge

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Password:




Tap here to log in

Reset edge password

Or login in with one of the following:




Help ?

To sign in, use the email address you have already given the school.

Need an email address added?

email dale.hammond@tirimoana.school.nz to add additional email addresses.

Features of the Edge Mobile App:

- **Notify the school about your child's absence.**
- **Receive school announcements and notifications.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 7	Friday 15 March	St Patricks day at school - wear something green Gold coin donation please
Week 8	Monday 18th Wednesday 20 March Thursday 21 March	Senior School Athletics morning: Parents welcome Class Photos Mobile Library Bus at School Board Meeting Year 1 and 2 Swimming Tough Kid Challenge Y5 / 6
Week 9	Tuesday 26 March Wednesday 27 March Thursday 28 March Friday 29 March	Russell French (Whole School) Music workshops Parent Information Evening: Information to come Russell French (Whole School) Music workshops Year 1 and 2 Swimming Good Friday: School is closed
Week 10	Monday 1 April Tuesday 2 April Thursday 4 April	Easter Monday: School is closed Easter Tuesday: School is closed Year 1 and 2 Swimming
Week 11	Thursday 11 April Friday 12 April	Year 1 and 2 Swimming Easter raffle drawn at assembly Last day of Term 1

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