



Term 4 Newsletter

Year 4 2026

Who can believe that term 4 is already here! We have an action-packed term planned for our tamariki. The warmer weather will bring plenty of opportunities for outdoor learning, sports, and fun, but as we head into the final stretch of the school year, it also means a busy schedule filled with learning and celebrations.

Curriculum

Social Sciences

Our tamariki are stepping into the world of civics by exploring how the New Zealand General Election works. Through fun, age-appropriate activities, they will discover how decisions are made in our country, what voting means, and why every voice matters in a democracy. Halfway through the term our focus will change to developing essential financial literacy skills. Students will learn the difference between needs and wants, how money is earned and saved, and how to make thoughtful choices with everyday spending. Together these topics help our tamariki build a strong foundation for understanding both their community and practical life skills.

P.E.

Tamariki will be hard at work practicing their running, jumping, and throwing skills to prepare for our upcoming Athletics Day to be held in Wainoni Park. Later in the term, our students will focus on balance, strength, flexibility, and controlled partner balances into fluent sequences. We have an expert instructor coming in to teach us.

Housekeeping

Uniform

Please ensure your child comes to school in the correct uniform, with all items clearly named so lost property can be returned easily. A quick reminder that wearing a hat is compulsory in Term 4 whenever students are outdoors.

Communication

For any communication that requires action during school hours, such as if you need to collect your child early, please contact the office at 09 413 9838. Other reminders will be sent via email or provided as a hard copy. Please sign up to our school Facebook page to help keep you up-to-date with all the things going on at school.

Tips on how to help your child learn at home

- Notice maths around the house, involve children in everyday measuring, cooking/baking recipes, calculating prices while shopping, or reading timetables.
- Play strategic games, such as board games, card games, dominoes, and dice games, as they naturally strengthen number sense, patterns, and spatial awareness.
- Focus on your child's thinking. Ask "How did you work that out?" rather than just looking for the correct answer.

Please use Kindo to pay your child's activity fees to cover extra costs we have had this year, such as our drama teachers, beat station music, trip to the museum, and the strength and flexibility coach coming in this term.