

Middle Syndicate Newsletter Term 2 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What a different start to this term we have had. We have been working very hard with the online teaching and the children have been fabulous with all the work they have been doing. We look forward to being in class soon and continuing the term together. Any updates and information is on the school website <u>www.greenhitheschool.nz</u>.

Please remember that while at Covid Level 3 the school is only open for those children whose parents cannot work from home and the children of essential workers. If your work circumstances change and your child needs to attend school, please give us **48 hours notice**. This allows the school to ensure we have sufficient staffing and our health and safety procedures can be implemented to keep your child, the teachers and the other children safe.

At Home Learning

<u>Writing</u>

Once we return back to school we will have a focus on extending the children's writing skills.. During our distance learning, we encourage children to use **pobble 360**, writing daily diaries and letters.

Reading

Our learning grids include a selection of different learning tasks. **The main focus task for each week is Reading Eggs for literacy.** The tasks chosen help to prepare the students for their return to school. There is also supporting Seesaw tasks and optional online and offline activities to choose from.

<u>Maths</u>

Mathletics continues to be the main focus for home learning. There will also be supporting activities on Seesaw. Regular daily practice of basic facts is important.

<u>Inquiry</u>

This term our focus is on reusing and recycling as we explore our concept of Sharing the Planet. Some of the activities on the learning grid will be about this and creating wearable arts from recycling materials. We will delve into this concept once we are all back at school.

We hope that you are all well and are enjoying this time with your families. We look forward to seeing you all back at school soon.

Middle Syndicate Teachers