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Preparing students of today for the possibilities of tomorrow

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Week 6

Principal's message

COVID19 Update

I wanted to give you an update on some changes taking place next week and what they mean for your children and whānau.

You are probably aware the Prime Minister has announced that face coverings will be required on public transport from next Monday, at Alert Level 2 and above. **This does not apply to any child who is under 12 years of age and does not apply to school transport (we have good systems in place to manage safety on school transport).**

Public Health officials have advised that children under the age of 6 should not wear face coverings.

Children and young people do not need to wear face coverings at school. Other public health control measures are in place including children and staff staying home if they are sick, contact tracing, and hygiene requirements.

If your child doesn't need to wear a face covering but they want to, that's fine.

Face coverings are another way we can help keep ourselves and others safe, along with good hand hygiene, cough and sneeze etiquette, appropriate physical distancing when out and about and staying home if we are sick.

We're continuing contact tracing by having QR code posters at our entrances, so please check in every time you come onsite.

If you haven't already downloaded the NZ COVID Tracer app [the Ministry of Health's website has information to help you do that](#). We'll also keep a visitor register for anyone who doesn't have the app and also for anyone who comes onsite for a period of time. This will help us with contact tracing in the unlikely case it is needed.

If you have any questions about face coverings or anything else, please get in touch

Picking up your children after school

If your child is not going on the bus or being picked up by someone else can you please sign them out, ring the school, or send a note. can you also let the school know when they are at dance classes and not getting on the bus. This will be a huge help for the duty teacher at the end of the day.

If you are picking your children up after school and crossing the road, can you please cross the road to the left of the car park. We will put up some cones to indicate the appropriate place. We are trying to show the children how and where to cross the road safely by not going between the parked cars or in front of the buses. Thanks for your help.

From the PTA

Trophies from Calf and Lamb day 2019

If we could have all of the calf and lamb trophies back to school asap that would be great. We can then polish and prepare them for this years event. *Sausage rolls PTA*

Keep a weathered eye out for these tasty treats coming your way soon

Calendar Art

The children have been busy with their calendar art pictures. These make a great Xmas gift and orders for these will be sent out today. We will be posting the art on your child's Seesaw page. You will also be able to see them in a clearfile at the office.

Orders to be returned by: 11th Sept.

Student's Name: _____ Room: _____
(Fill out one form per child)

Parent's Name: _____ Phone: _____

	Calendars	Cards	Diaries	Mouse Mats	Sketch Pads	Total of each Row
	\$ 15	\$ 10	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	
How many items are to be made from this Student's Art?						
How many items are to be made from Uploaded Photos? (Instructions below)						
Total	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

Payment instructions:
Please make

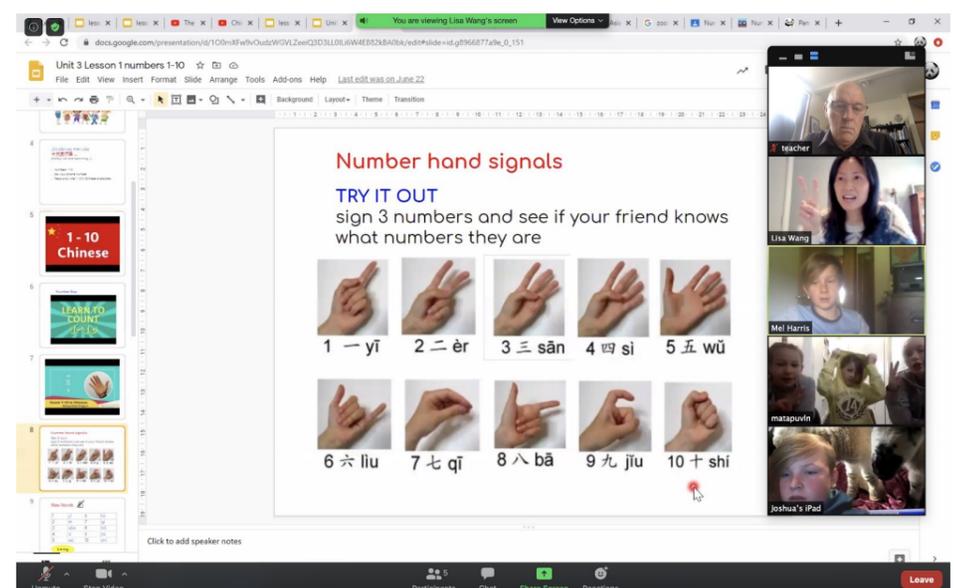
Any old clothing

Occasionally our children have accidents (especially our juniors) that requires them to need a change of clothing. We are needing a few items of clothing for our sick bay. If you have some spare items of clothing to donate, particularly pants or tights, for our junior classes (ages 5-7), this would be much appreciated.

Please have them cleaned, and placed in a bag and given to the front office or your child's teacher. Thanks!

VLNP

Even though we have some children away sick or unable to attend school, through the affordances of technology they can still get to see their teacher and keep up with their learning. Here we have Max and Josh at home taking part in their Mandarin lesson through the Virtual Learning Network Primary School.



Loan a Lamb

I will be getting in touch today with those that indicated they would like a lamb.

Scholastic Book Fair

A massive thank you to all that supported the Book Fair. It was a great success and was topped off today with our come as a Book character parade.



MIGS Gymnastics

Our final session this term with MIGS Gym after 6 weeks of learning new skills and building confidence in ourselves and using the various gymnastics equipment. The instructors have been amazing and worked really well with our students. We thank all parents who came along and watched their child during the classes final session.



Community Consultation Evening

Thank you to those that attended the evening. I am sure you all enjoyed the chocolate ;). I will be sending out the revised Charter for 2021-2023 after the BOT meeting on the 8th Sept for all to see.

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR	
Wed, 16th Sept	Reporoa Valley Cluster Winter Sports
Mon, 21nd Sept	Peter Pan Production:day performance
Tue, 22nd Sept	Peter Pan Production:night performance
Wed, 23rd Sept	Last day of Term 3
Thur, 24th Sept	LRS Teacher Only Day
Fri, 25th Sept	Kahui Ako Teacher Only Day
Sat, 17th Oct	Calf and Pet Day

Meanwhile at this week's assembly, our super star awards go to... drum roll please...



Trego Koroa - for a huge improvement in writing by using a variety of words to make your writing more interesting.

Neriah Dunne - for trying hard in all areas of her learning and for being a good friend.

Rein Jackson - for reading with improved fluency and expressions - Congratulations on moving up a rocket level!

Rene Van Zuydam - for being an active and on task learner.

Osharn Jackson - for being an independent learner and learning how to stay focused and on task.

Zion O'Brien - for his creative and imaginative contribution during our writing brainstorming sessions.

Ryan Roberts - for having a growing positive attitude towards his learning and always showing a willingness to take on challenges in all areas of the curriculum.

Phoenix Nicholls - for participating in class with a positive attitude and always being a kind, caring and helpful friend.

Rerewhakaaitu Raiders

Last week the Raiders had a rest, drawing the 'bye' game, the week prior we had a strong hybrid team, joining forces with four players from Otonga, our parent club, to round out our squad. (We have quite a few players out at the moment, due to families isolating). Our Otonga players had some great skills and combined with our Raiders really well. It was also neat to have Max Fraser-Harris join in too, his talent was very much appreciated and earned him Player of the Day. The final score was 3-1 in favour of the Ngongotaha Orcas, unfortunately the referee wasn't on the same page as us, disallowing three goals due to his interpretation of offside, so very disappointing for our team who put so much effort in. But the team are looking forward to getting out there again this week, with a 10.30 kickoff on field 12C versus the Westbrook Jaguars. Please assemble by 10 for warm up and coach's briefing.

Otongo Leopards

Meanwhile, Taylor and Chase continue to enjoy a solid season with the Otonga Leopards, having a blast building up their soccer skills. They didn't record a win last week but had very close losses and will be giving it their all tomorrow. Their team has also registered for the upcoming MacDonald's tournament, which will be a great experience for this young duo.

