TE KURA TUATAHI O PAPAIOEA

CENTRAL NORMAL SCHOOL

Wahanga 2 Wiki 1 ——— **Whaia Kia Tutuki ~ Strive to your Potential** ———**27 Paenga Whāwhā 2023**

Kia Ora koutou, Talofa Lava, Ni Hao, Mało e lelei

Nau Mai Haere Mai - Welcome Back to kura! As many of you said yesterday, the term break felt much longer than normal! With Easter being in the break and then a Teacher Only Day alongside ANZAC Day, the break certainly did seem long. However, tamariki and kaiako have returned rested, refreshed and ready for Term 2!

The day began with pōhwiri welcoming our newest tamariki, whānau and our new Assistant Principal, Whaea Imogen. We also welcome two new support staff, Whaea Kayla and Whaea Sharon.

Rich Maths learning - Akomanga 9

Hauora - Relationships and Sexuality Education

As shared with you last term, our concept for learning for this term will be Hauora, underpinned by our school value of Hauora. Hauora focuses on mental and physical wellbeing, personal safety, hygiene and general wellness. For our junior children, the key areas of learning will be Keeping Ourselves Safe and personal wellbeing.

The focus for our Year 3 - 6 tamariki in Māharahara, Mātanginui and Te Arawaru will be learning about Keeping Ourselves Safe and Sexuality Education. Keeping Ourselves Safe is a personal safety programme, which has been designed to give tamariki the skills they require to work through situations involving others.

There can often be apprehension or nervousness when whānau read we are teaching Sexuality Education and what that might mean - it certainly doesn't mean what the name implies. Sexuality Education is one of the seven key areas of learning in the Health and Physical Education/Hauora Curriculum. For tamariki at this level it is about friendships, making good choices, body development and an introduction to puberty (for Year 5/6).

We will be having an information evening **TONIGHT** in the staffroom to share with you the content that we will be teaching. We encourage you to come along to understand the lessons being taught and to ask any questions you may have. The timings will be as follows:

Juniors (Year 1/2): 5.00pm Middles (Year 3/4): 5.30pm Seniors (Year 5/6): 6.00pm

From the PTA

The PTA will hold its AGM on Tuesday 2 May in the staffroom at 6.45pm - all are welcome to attend. Key fundraising events for this term will be a Second Hand Book Sale in Week 8 and the ever popular teacher raffles. In term 3, the PTA will continue with the pie fundraiser and a disco. In Term 4 there will be the annual calendar fundraiser. The PTA are also giving consideration to a family portrait fundraiser later in the year. Also, the Egg Project fundraiser is still in operation.

School Hangi

At the end of this term, we are hoping to have a hāngī to celebrate Matariki. To make this possible. we require some equipment. If you, or anybody you know, is able to koha some suitable hāngī bricks to our kura (the old metal train bricks are best) we would be very grateful! If you have any pātai, please contact Whaea Melissa mseumanu@centralnormal.school.nz