

CENTRAL NORMAL SCHOOL

TE KURA TUATAHI O PAPAIOEA

Term 1 Week 2

Whaia Kia Tutuki ~ Strive to your Potential

13 February 2020

Kia Ora, Namaste, Guten Tag, G'day

The weather has been absolutely amazing over the past week and our tamariki have certainly made great use of the pool. With this continuing fine, hot weather, we strongly encourage you to apply sunscreen to your child/ren before they come to school.

A reminder that our tamariki are required to have a hat when they are outside. If your child does not have their own hat, these can be purchased from the school office for \$12.

Permission Forms

Every year, we seek your permission for a number of aspects, which either support your child's learning, or will allow us to make decisions in the best interests and safety of your child. By completing the form, you are providing consent for your child with the described indicators.

This year, we have made the process of completing the permissions form much easier! Rather than sending back paper forms, you can now complete the form digitally either on your phone, tablet or computer. You can either scan the QR code (to the right) or go to this address: <https://tinyurl.com/trmug2g>

If you have any questions about this form, or need support to complete it, please do not hesitate to contact either Matua Regan, Whaea Elly, Miss Brett or Mrs Howard. **Please Note:** A separate form will need to be completed for each child in your whānau.

Community Picnic

Next Tuesday, from 5.30pm - 7.00pm we will be holding our annual Community Picnic. This is a relaxed evening, where whānau can bring along their dinner, enjoy the games and activities at school and have an informal chat with their child's teacher or a member of the Manawatū Team. A sausage sizzle will be available (\$2 per sausage) and the school pool will be open. Please note, the pool will **only** be open for current Central Normal School tamariki. The scooter track will also be available, but to manage numbers, only CNS scooters will be used.

Teacher Only Days

Every year, the Board of Trustees is able to close our school for the purpose of Teacher Only Days. On these days, staff undertake professional learning and/or visits to other schools to learn new ideas. This year, the Board have allowed for **three** Teacher Only Days. To provide you with plenty of notice, these will be held on: **Tuesday 2 June** (day after Queen's Birthday), **Monday 31 August** and **Tuesday 27 October** (day after Labour Day).

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Self portrait - Emilee, Akomanga 4



Community Picnic - Tuesday 18 February 5.30pm

PTA

Our school PTA is a dedicated team of parents and teachers, who are the fundraising group for our school. Every year, the PTA organise a number of great events, which provide additional resourcing for our school. Last year, your contributions to the PTA supported our children to go on day trips outside of school and the installation of the scooter track. Membership to the PTA is free as a valued member of our school. If you would like to join the PTA, their next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3 March at 6.45pm in the school staffroom. A yummy supper is always provided!

Trading Cards

We know many of our tamariki love trading cards and we have noticed many of these cards coming into school. In line with our school procedure, we do ask that trading cards (and other toys) are not brought into school. This then removes any issues of lost or stolen cards. We thank you very much for your support with this.

Seesaw

By now, you should have received your login details to access your child's Seesaw account. We use Seesaw extensively to share with you your child's learning and their progress. As mentioned last week, our paper newsletters will stop at the end of this month and will only be posted on Facebook, our website and Seesaw. If you are having any issues with logging into Seesaw, please see your child's teacher, Whaea Elly or Miss Brett.

Monster Maths

At our school we aim to provide rich and engaging maths, which is more than just 'numbers and sums'. Rather than making a bar graph to show the people in their class, Akomanga 6 created this very creative monster poster. Green Monsters = 7 year olds and Yellow Monsters = 8 year olds. The purple monster is Whaea Emma. Therefore, this graph shows the total number of children in the class and the ages of the people in the class. Tumeke Akomanga 9!

School Assembly

Our first assembly for the year will be held this Friday in the school hall. Assemblies are held every second Friday, beginning just after 9.00am. A different class or Team hosts assembly and this week, Mātanginui will be hosting assembly. Whānau are more than welcome to attend.

Akomanga 9 made these fantastic avatars of themselves using the website avatarmaker.com

