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Team Roto Newsletter – Term 3, 2022

Kia ora e te whānau

We hope that everyone had a chance to relax and spend time with family over the break. There is a lot of sickness around, so we hope you are managing to keep yourselves and your children healthy. Please keep children at home if they are not feeling well. We have another busy term ahead of us.

Our Learning Programme

Roto's learning programme will continue to place emphasis on the key learning areas of reading, writing and mathematics. Major units of work will be integrated across these curriculum areas to ensure that our students gain from deeper and more meaningful learning experiences.

Art Attack

The focus in Term 3 this year will be around the arts. We will look at different techniques and styles of art, and the children will all attempt some of their own unique artwork. This will be a whole school focus and we look forward to seeing the creative side of our Russley learners.



Poetry Recital

Over the holidays your child should have been practising a poem previously selected in Term 2. Poems will be read out in classrooms during week 1, the Team Roto poetry recital final will be in week 2. Best of luck to all competitors.

Speeches

This term each student in Team Roto is required to write and present a speech. An information booklet will come home in week 1. Students will need their speech written (you may help at home with this), practised and ready to present by week 4 at an in-class/team competition. We will then select two Year 4 students to attend the Rotary Speech competition later on in the Term.



Swimming

In weeks 9 and 10 Team Roto has annual swimming lessons. It is important to ensure you have your child's gear ready. Each learner will require togs, towel, swimming cap and goggles. We will bus to Kings Swim School each weekday. A notice will go home this week to gather information about children's swimming abilities. Forms need to be returned as soon as possible so that we can organise groupings.

Important Dates

Poetry Recital – Week 1 (in classrooms)

NZ Playhouse – 3rd August (masks essential)

Speeches (In class/team competition) – Weeks 4 and 5

Swimming at Kings Swim School – 19th–30th September



Uniform

Please ensure your child has suitable layers of warm clothes to keep them comfortable on colder days. Even when it is cold, children are expected to have lunch and/or play outside. If your child wishes to play football on the grass at lunchtime, would they please bring a pair of tracksuit pants to change into, to prevent taking mud into classrooms. We also encourage children to bring slippers for the classroom as we take outside shoes off to keep our learning space clean.



As always, please don't hesitate to ask if you have questions or require further information. You can directly contact your classroom teacher by email.

Kia pai tō koutou rā

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