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Team Roto Newsletter – Term 4, 2022



Kia ora e te whānau

Welcome to Term 4. We hope you enjoyed the holidays and managed to fit in a bit of relaxation. We have a busy term ahead of us.

Our Learning Programme

Our 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.

Inquiry/Topic

Navigating the Journey - Sexuality Education

Sexuality education is one of seven key areas of learning in the health and physical education learning area of The New Zealand Curriculum. It must be included in teaching programmes at both primary and secondary school levels, using the strands and achievement objectives outlined in the curriculum.

Sexuality education in years 2- 4 focuses on personal identity, relationships, growth, and development of the human body, including human reproduction, strategies to cope with bullying and harassment, and staying safe online.



Firewise

Our school will all be working on a Get Firewise unit. The students will learn some fire-safe behaviours. They will practise how to get out FAST if there is a fire in a building that they are in.

Athletics

At this stage, we are looking at having Junior Athletics Day on Tuesday 29th November. Throughout Term 4, learners will have sessions on the track and field. We encourage learners to wear suitable footwear for this, and also to wear comfortable clothes for these activities.



Spelling

As part of our team spelling focus, we are once again holding the annual Team Roto Spelling Bee. Each class has selected a group of learners that will be competing and celebrating their talents against children within the team. This will be on Thursday 3rd November.



Art Attack

A whole school art display showcasing the student art focus from term 3 will be held tomorrow **Tuesday 18th October (week 1) in the New Hall, 2.00pm – 5.00pm**. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Life Education

Life Education will visit Russley School from 7th - 18th November. We will unpack some big questions during these sessions.

Top Team

On Monday 28th November, Team Roto will have a fun day during which Top Team will work with our learners. This will involve a range of creative team-building activities and games.

Important Dates:

Art Attack - Tuesday 18th October 2pm-5pm

Labour Day - Monday 24th October

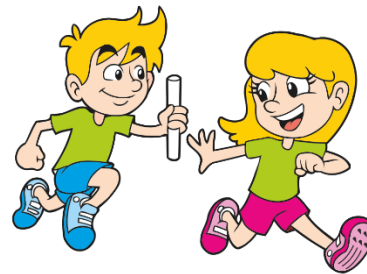
Spelling Bee - Thursday 3rd November

Anniversary Day - Friday 11th November

Top Team - Monday 28th November

Athletics Day - Tuesday 29th November

Last day of School - Friday 16th December (12:30pm finish)



Uniform IMPORTANT (Sun hats need to be worn from day 1, Term 4)

To ensure a sun-safe environment for students, staff, and the wider school community, please ensure that Russley students wear an approved **wide-brimmed, named, sun hat** to and from school and during outdoor play and sport in Term 4. The sunhat requirement enables Russley School to comply with the Cancer Society's 'SunSmart' accreditation programme.



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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