

<p><b>Religious Education</b> - This term our overarching theme is: <b>Kia Noho Hāhi - Being Church:</b> Through this theme, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop an understanding of the principles of Catholic Social Teaching</li> <li>• Identify how we can apply these principles to our own daily lives through acts of service for others</li> </ul> <p><b>Liturgical Year:</b> All Saints &amp; All Souls Day, Advent and Christmas <b>Our Mercy Values are woven into everything we do:</b> Tika - Justice, Pono - Truth, Aroha - Compassion, Manaakitanga - Hospitality, Tapu - Respect</p> <p><b>Key Competencies:</b> <b>During prayer and our programmes</b> we have an emphasis on developing the Key Competencies: Thinking, Relating to Others, Understanding Symbols and Texts, Managing Self, Participating and Contributing</p>	<p><b>Reading Focus: Hooked on Books</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Helping children to develop their love of reading through class Novel Studies</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exploring character traits &amp; personalities</li> <li>- Looking at different settings</li> <li>- Plot (problem/solution)</li> <li>- Extending knowledge of language &amp; vocabulary</li> <li>- Critical thinking &amp; comprehension skills</li> </ul> <p><b>Writing Focus:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the beginning of the term, our writing programme is linked in with our novel studies, where the children will have a chance to explore a range of different text types.</li> <li>• The later part of the term, the children will have an opportunity to write their own picture/chapter books using all of the writing techniques that they have learnt over the years.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Maths</b> - This term we will be recapping:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Multiplication &amp; division strategies</li> <li>• Addition &amp; subtraction strategies</li> <li>• Knowledge of proportions &amp; ratios</li> <li>• Various strand topics</li> </ul>	<p><b>Spelling:</b> Our spelling programme (The Code) focuses on learning the different spelling patterns in the English language. This involves exploring a spelling pattern over the course of a week through a range of learning activities.</p>
<p><b>Inquiry (Science &amp; Social Science):</b> This term we will be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parihaka - Peace</li> <li>• Native Trees &amp; Plants (Living World)</li> </ul>	<p><b>The Arts:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Throughout the term, the Arts will be incorporated into our different units of Inquiry</li> </ul>
<p><b>Health &amp; Physical Education:</b> This term we will be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Swimming</li> <li>• Athletics</li> <li>• Dealing with Change (transitions, puberty)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Home Learning Challenges:</b> These challenges are designed to encourage creative problem solving and we expect students to complete a <u>minimum of 2 per term</u>. The emphasis is on quality, rich, creative work.</p> <p><b>Reading</b> - 20 mins per night (own books or library books)</p> <p><b>Maths</b> - Mathematics tasks &amp; basic facts recall</p>

**Term 4 Important Dates** (Further updates will be communicated on the school calendar, Principal messages and via email):

<u>Week 1:</u> 14/10 - 18/10	<u>Week 2:</u> 21/10 - 25/10	<u>Week 3:</u> 28/10 - 1/11	<u>Week 4:</u> 4/11 - 8/11	<u>Week 5:</u> 11/11 - 15/11
<p>16/10 &amp; 18/10: Swimming</p>	<p>23/10 &amp; 25/10: Swimming</p>	<p>28/10: Labour Day 30/10 &amp; 1/11: Swimming 30/10: Year 6 Connections Day 30/10: Digital Safety parent evening 6:30 pm 1/11: Carmel &amp; Rosmini Orientation Days</p>		<p>13/11: Parent Puberty Info evening 14/11: Athletics Day 15/11: Teacher Only Day</p>
<p><u>Week 6:</u> 18/11 - 22/11 18/11: Athletics Saver Day 19/11: Class Photos</p>	<p><u>Week 7:</u> 25/11 - 29/11</p>	<p><u>Week 8:</u> 2/12 - 6/12 5/12: Cluster athletics day</p>	<p><u>Week 9:</u> 9/12 - 13/12 10/12: Year 6 Graduation 6:30pm 13/12: End of year liturgy &amp; Picnic</p>	<p><u>Week 10:</u> 16/12 - 20/12 18/10: Last Day of School (1pm finish)</p>