

Team 2 Newsletter

Term 1 10



Welcome to a New Year in Team 2. We are part of the Mainstream Unit at Finlayson Park School. Our Team consists of

- ❖ *Taeang Erika - A4 - Year 1*
- ❖ *Wendy Hansen - A6 - Year 2 - Team Leader -*
- ❖ *Marian Then - A7 - Year 1 and 2*
- ❖ *Olivia Latu - A8 - Year 1 and 2*

We are a team of dedicated teachers who work hard to help our children work hard to reach their potential.

If there is anything that you can tell us that will assist your child in their learning, please come and talk to us. And if you have any concerns we would like to know as well.

Whanau Hui – How to help your child with Reading and Writing –

Week 7 Wednesday 17th March 5.30 - Sausage Sizzle 6.00 - Hui

Our Whanau Hui focus will be on Reading and Writing . Olivia Latu and Wendy Hansen will talk about the Reading Together Programme.



Term 1 Big Idea - Tikanga/Culture

Team 2's Big Idea focus for Term 1 is *Tikanga/Culture*. Our students are thinking of ways that they can contribute to society by being a better person themselves. This ties in very well with our Value - Respect and our Key Competencies: Learning to Think - Thinking to Learn and Managing Myself. Through the Inquiry Process children are investigating ways of they can become a better person for a better society.



Our Kiwi Can Leaders will be reinforcing the idea of good role models. We will look to Role Models in our Senior Classes to come and promote this idea through their own actions. Please talk to your children about role models in their lives.

Mrs Erika will talk about our Writing Programme.

We will explain the testing we do to decide 'where to next' for your child. We will also teach you how to make some fun interactive games that will help your children. learn.

Some ways you can help your child:

- ❖ Listen to them read every night.
- ❖ Listen to their spelling words every night.
- ❖ Assist them with their Math's homework.
- ❖ Name all items of clothing.
- ❖ Send a note or ring the school if your child is absent.
- ❖ Encourage your child to wear a hat or cap.
- ❖ Pack a small morning tea snack and some lunch to keep up their energy levels.
- ❖ Come along on trips and sports days to support your child.



Team 2 Teachers would like to promote the Reading Together Programme which has started at our school. Olivia Latu will be taking the 4 sessions with parents. Wendy Hansen will be assisting.

These sessions will help you know what to do when you read with your children every night. Research has shown that this programme has benefited students greatly.

Notices have been sent home about this programme but if you missed them and are interested please ask any of your teachers for more information or ask at the office

