



## Purapura Room Five Weekly Update, Week 7.

Kia Ora to our Purapura Room Five parents and whānau,

- **Thank you:** I would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to Mrs Chesham and Mrs Langford for their hard work relabelling 2,000 library books. This is a mammoth task that has been taken off my hands.
- **Well Done** to those students who are walking into school from the gate and leaving mum and or dad at the gate. You are on your way to becoming independent citizens of Hunua School.
- **Uniforms:** Could parents please check all uniform pieces belong to your child as we have had some students going home with other student's uniforms.
- **Swimming:** Classroom swimming has now stopped as of this week. I am very pleased with the progress made in our short swimming season.
- **Spelling:** It has come to my attention through our testing that a great deal of students have a lot of work to do with high frequency words. I have spoken to Mrs Frost and it has been agreed that we are to have a focus on high frequency words and using these in context. So due to this we are not going to concentrate on the spelling essential lists. We are going to concentrate on the colour wheel words (Magenta, red, yellow, blue, and green) these words coincide with the reading levels. We will be looking at using these words in sentences so that the students understand when and how these words are to be used. Therefore Fridays will become high frequency words day. The students will be doing various activities to assist with this learning. How you can help at home is to practice reading and writing the colour wheel words glued into the students books.
- **Sleepover:** Reminder that sleepover is on Thursday night and the zoo trip on Friday. Remember to pack a raincoat into your child's bag for Friday.
- **Uniform:** The teachers have noticed that there is casual attitude towards wearing correct uniforms. If your child does not have their correct uniform a note needs to be handed into the class teacher so that the student can be given a uniform pass.
- **Tuesday:** The students can bring their bikes and scooters to school on Tuesday. If this is a difficult task just bring in their bike helmets as this is for helmet safety.

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Regards,

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