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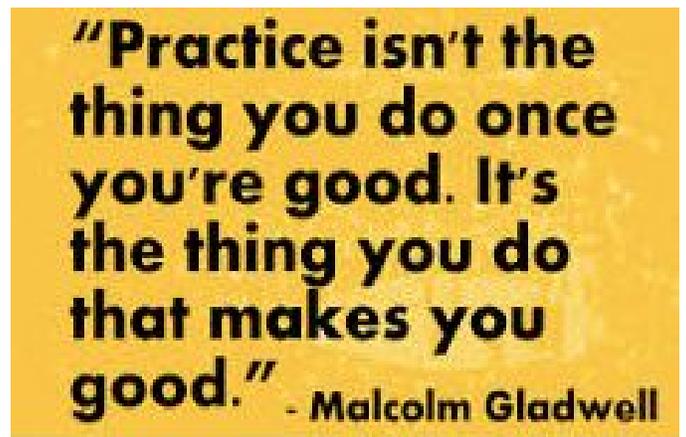
VALUES:

Our Kahikatea students are showing during our RiCH lessons that they are able to verbalise what our values look like, sound like and what it feels like when they are being used. While most continue to be great role models to others and are using our values that are at the heart of our learning some do need reminding from time to time. As we end term two with a lot of students being tired and unwell the holidays have come at a good time for all students to have a good rest and recharge their batteries in preparation for term three. When we all return in term three I'm sure everyone will quickly get back into their regular habits of using our RiCH values.

EXPECTATIONS:

This term has seen a growing number of students becoming more independent and organising themselves in readiness for the morning. They are now getting into the habit of bringing their book bag into the classroom, placing their Kluwell book into the basket, removing their reader from their book bag, ensuring any notices or money for items or donations are handed in and getting their pencil cases out in preparation for the start of the day.

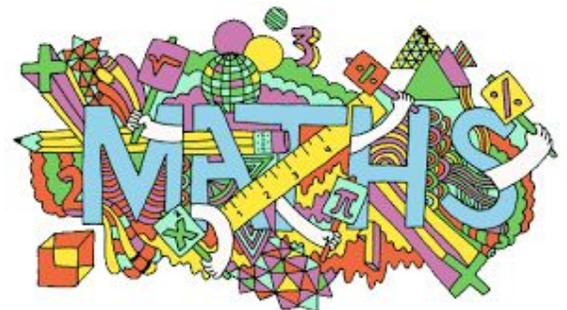
Well done to those students who are now regularly doing this.



As a student at Hunua School I strive to:	
R espect 	Show respect for myself, others and for all property through the way I behave.
	At all times I will treat others as I would like to be treated.
	Show courtesy to everyone.
Show respect by using manners, addressing others by their correct title, using all equipment for the purpose it was designed.	
i C aring 	Care for myself
	Care for others
	Care for the environment
Caring for myself, others and the environment	
H onesty 	Be truthful and trustworthy
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WORKING WITH NUMBERS:

The staff and students have continued to work with a Math facilitator this term, this will be ongoing throughout the year. This term the students have shown real perseverance with their number tasks especially as one of the tasks was impossible to solve in the way it was worded. They are



continuing to work on number problem solving problems manipulating numbers and using a range of mathematical operations.

HOME LEARNING:

The students have really enjoyed the home learning worksheets this term. What I would like is some feedback from you as parents please. Are you happy to continue with the same worksheets from term two or would you like to go back to the worksheets that the students had in term one?

If you could just flick me an email stating your preference I would appreciate it.

SPELLATHON:

Thank you all for taking part in the spellathon. The students did a fabulous job of challenging themselves with the lists they chose and learning their words. A great effort from all of the students.



CROSS COUNTRY:

All students in Kahikatea have been keenly training for the cross country which will be run on Friday (last day of school for term two). This year the students have a new course to run and they have been excited about the prospect of running a 'big' race. There are some students that have been unwell over the past two weeks and if they are not up to running due to health issues please let me know.



PRODUCTION PRACTISE:

This term we have had a number of singing practises for the upcoming production. The students have learnt a number of songs and we've walked to the hall to run through the production to make sure everything fits together. Watch out for the notices in the newsletter at the beginning of next term for the dates and times of the production. All students are involved in the production, either singing, acting or dancing.

AG DAY ART:

Kahikatea have almost completed three pieces of Ag Day art. Our latest pieces are connected to our communication inquiry, Visual Language. Kahikatea students have created self portraits using visual language symbols and they are looking really great.

READING WITH CHILDREN:

It is really important that students continue to read over the holiday to continue to build their vocabulary and love of books and reading. Below are 10 benefits and advantages of reading with your children.

1. **Reading to young children sets them up to succeed**
2. **Reading is important to develop language skills**
3. **Exposure to reading exercises your child's brain**
4. **Reading enhances a child's concentration**
5. **Reading together encourages a thirst for knowledge**
6. **A range of books teaches children about different topics**
7. **Reading develops a child's imagination and creativity**
8. **Reading books with children helps to develop empathy**
9. **Books are a form of entertainment**
10. **Reading together helps to create a bond**

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!

