

Term 1 Week 6 2020 - Kahikatea

Dear Whanau/Parents/Caregivers

- **Please remember** that school starts at 8.55am daily. It is important that students are at school on time as a lot of important information is discussed at the beginning of the day which if missed can be disruptive and upsetting for the students and their day.
 - **Stationery:** Can you please check with your child that they have everything they need to start their day. There are a few students that are continually asking for pencils, losing erasers or don't have the book they need. I will endeavour to go through the student's stationery by Tuesday next week to gauge which students are missing items and will be in touch if this is the case for your child.
 - This week WOW Wednesday was back on track. As the weather was very changeable we were sent indoors which made for interesting challenges. The group that were working in Kahikatea class with me (Mrs White) were learning how to make biodegradable containers for plants. The students worked well and were very engaged.
 - **As there are still a few students that are not bringing their home learning books to school on Friday for marking I have decided to do the marking on a Monday.** On a Monday morning the students new spelling words for the week and the new week's home learning worksheet is glued into their book. Please check with your child each morning to be sure they have their Home Learning book in their book bags.
- This week as part of our Reading we have been looking at Google maps to create a journey from our partner school for our NZ School Kit Writing back to Hunua School. We have also started making a kaleidoscope for the students. This is to get to understand how we can view many things in different ways. We will finish the construction of the kaleidoscopes next week.
 - **Junior School Swimming Carnival** (today, Friday 13th March): Thank you to all those parents who came along to support students at the carnival. The students have worked hard on their swimming skills this term so it was a wonderful opportunity for them to share their skills. Students enjoyed participating in tabloid sports in the middle block. These activities were led by senior students and encouraged students to work as a team. A great day was had by all!
 - Just a reminder that Mrs Naidu, our Bible teacher, is away for the rest of the term. In her place we have Mr Sweetsur who will be taking the Bible lessons with Kahikatea during this time.
 - **Notices/Events:**
Notices being sent home this week. Please contact us if you have not received these notices:
 - Scholastic Books
 - Pizza notice to have orders in by Wednesday
 - Letter from Mrs Burden

