



# Kahikatea Newsletter

Term Four, October 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to school and Term 4. We hope you have all had a lovely holiday break and got to enjoy some valuable family time. We are all looking forward to an exciting term in Team Kahikatea.

## Term 4 Focus:

Literacy (Reading/Writing): Procedural & Poetry

Visual Arts: Printing skills

Health: Camp preparation

P.E: Striking, Fielding, Throwing and Catching with small balls and implements, & Athletics

Drama, Dance, Music: Team Rotation

Social Science: Identity, Culture, and Organisation

Te Reo: He Reo Tupu, He reo ora - Feelings

## Changes in Team Kahikatea:

As you will recall from last terms Team Kahikatea newsletter, Emily Osborn is expecting her first baby. Emily will start her Maternity Leave at the end of Week 3, and is expected back at the start of the 2021 school year. In the meantime, Michael Joseph will take over the Team Leader position. Michael brings to the position his knowledge and expertise of leading teams, and the teachers in Team Kahikatea agree that he is the best person to take over the role.

## Camp:

We will be heading to El Rancho in Week 9 this term (10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> December). We require any outstanding camp payments to be made in full by **31st October**. Further information about what you need to know about camp will be sent home in the next few weeks. If you or your child have any questions, please speak to Michael Joseph in Room 13 ([michaelj@westpark.school.nz](mailto:michaelj@westpark.school.nz)) or your child's classroom teacher.

## Road Patrol

We are desperate to hear from any parents who during Term 4 are able to volunteer 30-45 minutes in the morning or 20-25 minutes in the afternoon during the week to help with Road Patrol supervision. If you are able to help we would very much appreciate it. Please contact Donna Curran-Green at [donnacg@westpark.school.nz](mailto:donnacg@westpark.school.nz)



## Physical Education:

If for any reason your child is unable to join in on a PE session on particular day, please provide a signed and dated note to the classroom teacher explaining the reason for non-participation.



## Sunhats:

This term it is compulsory for students to wear a wide-brimmed sunhat at break times as we head towards the warmer months. Could you please help us by reminding your child to bring their named hat to school every day? If they don't bring a wide-brimmed hat they will need to play in a shaded area.

## Teacher Contact:

Below is the contact information of your child's teacher if you need to get in touch with them.

R7 – Yr 6: Barry Clarke [barryc@westpark.school.nz](mailto:barryc@westpark.school.nz)

R8 – Yr 5: Jasmine Martin [jasmainem@westpark.school.nz](mailto:jasmainem@westpark.school.nz)

R12 – Yr 5: Laura Bell [laurab@westpark.school.nz](mailto:laurab@westpark.school.nz)

R13 – Yr 6: Michael Joseph [michaelj@westpark.school.nz](mailto:michaelj@westpark.school.nz)

R14 – Yr 6: Jennifer Carey [jenniferc@westpark.school.nz](mailto:jenniferc@westpark.school.nz)

R15 – Yr 6: Donna Curran-Green (Mon-Wed & Fri) [donnacg@westpark.school.nz](mailto:donnacg@westpark.school.nz) & Emily Osborn (Thurs) [emilyo@westpark.school.nz](mailto:emilyo@westpark.school.nz)

Alternatively, you could ring the office on (04 478 7074) and leave a message for your child's teacher and they will contact you back as soon as they can.

Our teachers are very hard working and they will try their best to get back to you within 2 working days.

We look forward to another busy term working with your child and hope to see you as often as possible.

Warm Regards,

Team Kahikatea