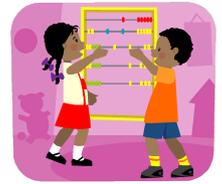




Out and about in the classes

.....from the teachers, Term 1 2019



<p>Junior Teaching hub</p> <p>Christine, Laura and Aimee</p>	<p>Kia Ora! 2019 has started with some pretty significant changes to the Junior Hub. Along with our new tamariki, we have also welcomed Mrs. Loveridge to Kereru. We have continued to include Learning Through Play to the our weekly programme but have recently moved this to the afternoon to allow for daily structured reading and writing. Our Investigations have allowed children to be Kings & Queens, Radiographers and Coders while also exploring Science, Art and Construction to name a few. Weekly swimming sessions have finally come to an end but it was wonderful to see our children's water confidence and skill levels grow. Some of us learnt to float by ourselves while others are improving their kicking and arm motions - great work team! As our tamariki are the newest to the Mosston family, it is always pleasing to see our Year 2 children take on leadership roles. It is wonderful to see them stepping up and encourage each other as we all learn how to be learners. We have spent time learning about how we can workout our brains as we learn about the power of YET. We acknowledge that we are all learners - children and teachers alike!</p>
<p>Kiwi Hub</p> <p>Tarryn and Diane</p>	<p>Tena koutou katoa - we are so excited to be starting a new year! Each year we wonder what can we do to make the learning more exciting, what can we do differently and what we can keep doing because we know that it works well!</p> <p>We were excited to welcome new learners from the Junior Hub to our Kiwi Hub but also our new Kaiako - Mrs Ellen Keene. She is teaching in Room 4 but also works with Room 3 taking weekly art lessons. We are so excited to have her as part of the teaching team.</p> <p>We have started the term establishing routines, getting to know each other, weekly swimming, learning small ball skills in PE, drama lessons, water painting in art, digital technology learning, as well as reading, writing and maths! The learning never stops and we are lucky to be able to provide so many opportunities for our children.</p> <p>In inquiry, we have been getting to know one and other and have also completed the Kia Kaha unit, designed by the NZ Police around feeling safe and anti bullying. The Kiwi Hub will now move onto Family Treasures, a unit around celebrating our cultural practises and understanding that differences between ourselves and others, which leads to empathy and tolerance for all people in the world.</p> <p>This year the middle and senior hub teachers are teaching to their strengths! This is great not only for our tamariki but also for the teachers. In the afternoons each teacher teaches an area of the curriculum that they enjoy and the children rotate around the teachers. This allows for some great targeted teaching and for the teachers to build relationships with children across the hubs.</p> <p>We are looking forward to the rest of 2019 and have many more fantastic ideas to come...(watch this space!)</p>
<p>Tui Hub</p> <p>Hayley and Kate</p>	<p>Term 1 has been a busy term at Mosston. It is great to have new faces here in the Tui Hub. Room 5 have welcomed a university student, Nikita Playle, who will be visiting once a week for the rest of the year. Room 6 also has a university student - Hannah Rose Chadfield.</p> <p>We continue to make changes to our learning programme to ensure our tamariki are getting the best deal they possibly can. We started the term off with an anti bullying unit Kia Kaha, which was supported by our local constable. This was great to have at the beginning of the year to set the expectations for Mosston School. We will be moving into family treasures for the remainder of the term.</p> <p>Reading, Writing and Maths has continued four times a week with Maths being five to cover Strand at this end of the school.</p> <p>Students are beginning to know their learning goals now and are working hard to achieve these in the classroom. We have also had many students move from the Maunga onto the Moana already, which is fantastic to see so early on.</p> <p>We are looking at integrating Digital Technologies into our Curriculum and with some fantastic help from Toni, this has hooked children in immensely.</p> <p>PE, Digital Technologies, Art and Drama are being taught once a week per class. As mentioned in the Kiwi Hub blurb, we are teaching to our strengths. It is great to work with such a range of students on a weekly basis.</p> <p>We're looking forward to the rest of the Term where we will be seeing Harold in Wk 10, as well as visiting Virginia Lake for our Ka Pai Kids celebration.</p>