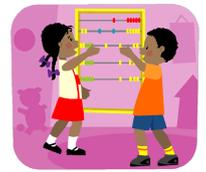




# Out and about in the classes

...from the teachers, Term 2 2022



## Junior Hub

Diane, Lisa and Tarryn



Greetings from the Junior Hub! We are excited to share what we have been learning about this term. As always Learning through play continues to be one of the highlights of each child's day. The children have enjoyed role playing in the dramatic play area which has been set up as a class and now a cafe. The science area has included learning about The Wetlands and we are now looking at shadows. The topic area has included activities for Autumn, Winter and we are now moving into Matariki. These are only a few of the areas that provide an ongoing wealth of learning through play for our tamariki.

Despite the cold days the children have absolutely loved hopping on the bus each Friday to go swimming. We are amazed at the progress the children have made in such a short time. We look forward to seeing this built upon in term 4.

We have welcomed two student teachers in the hub and have enjoyed watching them grow as teachers. Our children are so lucky to have so many people within the hub helping them daily. This includes our wonderful volunteer Wayne who we are so grateful for.

Our curriculum rotations have enabled the children to take part in weekly large ball skills for PE, digital technology with a focus on coding & art with a focus on photography, water colours and clay. Our children are busy but lucky to have so many opportunities.

## Kiwi Hub

Abby and Hayley



It has been a great term thus far in the Kiwi Hub. We have been busy in all areas of our learning with a range of learning activities across the curriculum. We started the term finishing off our New Zealand study, and managed to paper mache a creation of NZ! We then moved our focus to Te Repo (the Wetlands), and have been learning about what wetlands are, how they are made, and what animals and plants we might find in them. We will be continuing to build on this in the coming weeks with dioramas being completed on a research question of their choice.

During digital technologies we have been focusing on photography, linking this to art with observational drawings. Room 3 have been building their confidence with using google drive and creating google drawings. We continue to cover a range of the arts during our curriculum rotations, with Miss Richards teaching music each week. We have been exploring how sound is made using vibrations, how we can create music with body parts, and learning about pitch and volume.

In PE, we have been lucky to swim on a Friday at the Splash Centre and learn a range of water safety skills. We will continue swimming in Term 4, when the weather is warmer! We have also been working on our large ball skills and our teamwork.

We are looking forward to finishing the term strong!

## Tui Hub

Roman and Kate



We have had a great fresh start in the Tui Hub, welcoming Mr Kerr and Mrs K to the teaching team. There is an awesome vibe in the Hub and it has been exciting to see children working more flexibly through the breakout rooms and between the two classes. It has also been great to see whānau back in our classrooms and helping us on school trips.

This term has had a big focus on Te Repo (the Wetlands) with learning in inquiry, reading and writing about what wetlands are, how they work and why they are important. We have been lucky to have educational visits from Horizons and to have an EOTC experience helping to replant the Titoki Stream in our local community. This will continue next term where we hope to delve deeper into the wetlands in our local area. We have also focused on photography, using Mrs K's art expertise, large ball skills in PE and algorithms and circuits in DT. Recently, we have been learning more about Puanga and will be excited to apply our learning at our school celebration and museum visit later in the term.

Lastly, and very importantly, we are so grateful to Rex for his continued support in our Hub. He is so happy to help out where and whenever needed in our Kura, has great relationships with our learners and is so invested in their progress.

From Team Tui 😊