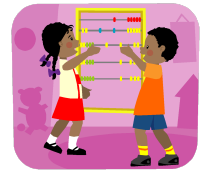




Out and about in the classes

...from the teachers, Term 1 2024



Junior Hub

Diane, Lisa, Bronwyn and Caitlin



Kia ora! The Junior Hub has enjoyed a settled but very busy start to 2024! All of our literacy and numeracy programmes are now fully underway and much to the delight of the children, Learning Through Play has also started. The tamariki have loved exploring the large variety of activities we have for them during this time. The home dramatic play area, the camping area, fine motor, collage, writing, dinosaur/blocks, art, topic...and more, means our children have a wonderful variety of activities in which to develop important skills/dispositions. We feel we provide a great balance of Learning Through Play and teaching the basics brilliantly!

We are fortunate to have Ruru up and running for four mornings and this allows our class numbers to be smaller.

We come together each Wednesday afternoon to do art, music and PE skill based sessions.

As we are not swimming this term we have taken time out of the schedule to enjoy some water slide fun.

On Fridays we are enjoying our Chinese, Kapa Haka, hub Te Reo, Digital Technologies and library sessions!

Whew...no wonder we have tired children by Friday 😊

Kiwi Hub

Abby and Sarah



Kia Ora koutou! Kiwi Hub has had a great start to 2024! We have been getting to know each other by learning about our whakapapa. Each student has created a visual pepeha to show who they are which has been displayed in our classrooms. We have been celebrating Chinese New Year and had two of our families join us and share how their whānau celebrate. We even learnt how to make dumplings - yum! It has been great to see our whānau getting involved and we look forward to learning about Ramadan from another family next week.

Students have been learning about the moana and the human impacts on our oceans in celebration of Sea Week. As a hub we went on a trip to Castlecliff beach where we learnt about insects that live on our beach, the role of the sand dunes and we even made prints with some of the shells we found.

For Inquiry this term, we have started our 'Keeping Ourselves Safe' programme with Constable Ben. Students will learn ways to keep themselves safe when interacting with other people, both online and face to face.

Kiwi Hub are enjoying all the learning opportunities that they have received so far and are looking forward to continuing to learn and grow together!

Tui Hub

Roman and Kate



What a start to 2024! We hit the ground running in the Tui Hub with our literacy and numeracy learning. To begin with, our inquiry focused on Te Tiriti o Waitangi, where we learnt more about the places where it was signed and the people who signed it.

This was followed by camp where we had a fantastic 4 days at Forest Lakes. All of the children who came were amazing - they got involved in every activity and even slept like angels! We are very grateful to the parent helpers who came with us, they made it so easy and so much fun for the tamariki.

Since camp, we've started the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme with Constable Ben and look forward to learning more about this, and our whakapapa after it is finished.

In visual art, we're learnt about colour and portrait drawing. In PE, we've learnt about small ball skills and have just started our swimming and water safety lessons. In digital technology, we've been learning about internet safety and in Te Reo Māori, we've been learning to pronounce the Māori alphabet correctly.

In amongst all this learning, we've enjoyed a visit from the author Des Hunt, artist in residence with Miss Richards, our Ka Pai Kids celebration, and Big Day In for chinese new year. We were also very proud to confirm our 2024 Student Leaders last week. Bring on the rest of the term!