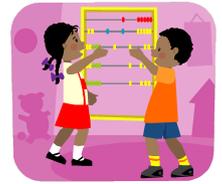




Out and about in the classes

.....from the teachers, Term 2 2018



<p style="text-align: center;">Junior Teaching hub</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jo, Laura and Kellie</p>	<p><i>Term two has been amazing for the Junior hub. We are only in our second term of investigations and we cannot imagine it any other way. Our tamariki have become more familiar and settled with our morning investigations. We have seen some deep learning happening, in role-play, art, self management and problem solving. Our students have began to use their free write books and have completely taken ownership over this, being able to write independently during investigations on whatever subject they choose, for as long as they want to. The results are amazing! We have been looking at storytelling around myths and legends and Aesop's fables with some amazing field trips to the museum, library and soon the art gallery. Students experienced oral storytelling at the gallery based on the Maori legends of the mountain. Our junior hub students are all successful muddy adventurers after their trips to the ECO school where they got to play and explore outside, showing resilience by stepping outside their comfort zones. We are really proud of all of them. We have also been fortunate enough to have the help of parents during investigations and parents on a Thursday at the end of the day reading to our tamariki in the junior hub. Jo has had Tim our lovely student teacher on his final placement taking full control with Jo at his side in hihi. He has been a great addition to the team taking a lead role in the organisation of our Matariki Puanga celebrations. The Puanga celebration and 140th birthday celebration was amazing and it really bought the school community even closer The old fashioned games were a lot of fun and not really that old when we think of our time as primary school students. We are lucky to have such a warm school community, the food donations were heartfelt and we are thankful to everyone for making the day so special!</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Kiwi Hub</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tarryn and Diane</p>	<p>Term two has seen a busy term of learning in the Kiwi Hub. We completed our Inquiry on "Focus on Food" with a shared healthy morning tea. We have since started our next Inquiry called 'Prep.' While it involves a lot of planning from a teachers prepective it is going to provide some fantastic learning opportunities and 'life experiences' for our tamariki. We will complete it with a Market Day at the end of term three where all children will market and then sell their products.</p> <p>All children have completed (or a currently working on) art inspired by Van Gogh's Starry Night painting. They have also had the opportunity to take part in drama and presented some fantastic plays based on the "Thinking Hats' and seeing things from another persons perspective.</p> <p>We have changed the way we manage our Must Do/Can Do learning tasks in maths and we look forward to sharing these with you at the meeting. It is still early days but the children are quickly learning to manage these tasks very well.</p> <p>We have enjoyed having Buck Buchanan as a Student Teacher in the hub for the past 4 weeks. He has embraced his role and the children have enjoyed having him in the hub.</p> <p>Our final Kai Pai Kids celebration this term will be a trip to the splash centre - including the hydro slide! We thanks the BOT for budgeting for these celebrations to occur. This will be our main' Big' celebration this term and the children are all working very hard to ensure they get their "jump ups' in time!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Tui Hub</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hayley and Kate</p>	<p>Wow, this term has gone fast! After a great time at camp together at the end of Term 1, Room 5 and 6 fully merged this term as we moved into the hall. We've loved setting up new learning spaces and working together as one hub. There has been so much energy and enthusasism for learning! We completed our Healthy Kai inquiry by budgeting for, planning and making a shared morning tea which was a huge success and a lot of fun. We've just begun our PREP inquiry and everyone is very excited to get stuck in. Speeches have been a huge writing focus this term. We were so proud of all our learners for confidently delievering their speeches and raising the bar from last year. We look forward to seeing how our finalists compete at the West Country competition. In PE we've been learning to demonstrate volleyball skills and have begun training for the Cross Country next term. Art has been split this term between painting inspired by Vincent Van Gogh and learning to use a range of drama elements and techniques. The recent Puanga celebration provided amazing learning opportunities for the Tui Hub. Our tamariki are taking more control of their learning by planning their own maths timetables and we're excited about where we can take this. Seesaw has continued to be used to share samples of students' learning and we're finding even more uses for this valuable tool. We've been so lucky to have parent support in class and wonderful teacher aides to support our learners this term. While we are very sad to say a temporary goodbye to Hayley in a few weeks, we're excited to move into our new hub and welcome Aimee next term.</p>