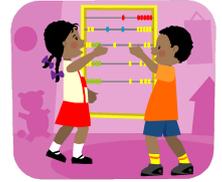




## Out and about in the classes

.....from the teacher's, Term 3 2017



### Junior Teaching hub

Jo, Darryl and Laura

Term 3 has seen not only new children arriving into Whare Iti, but also our new teacher into Room 1. Our Maths Other Strand has focused on Fractions & Money, and we have just began looking at patterning as well. Our Inquiry has looked at Changes in State, but primarily the Water Cycle. We had a great week where we explored ice, made ice-cream and mined the ice to rescue dinosaurs. This gave the children the opportunity to investigate and explore as part of the Scientific Method. We can all use and talk about words like HYPOTHESIS and OBSERVATION, just like real scientists! Children were also able to work with their buddies to 'write-up' the scientific process, sharing their learning with others. Another highlight has taken place during discovery play. Mrs.Benefield brought in her moving boxes and we made houses and, in turn, a city! This was a great opportunity for students to co-operate, collaborate, share and explore - all which are key to our Discovery Play time. Fun Fridays have been very exciting with the participation in both Chinese and Football, with Clubs starting in Week 7...there are so many exciting things happening that some days it's hard to keep track of it all! *Phew!!*

### Middle Hub

Tarryn and Diane

*Term three has been filled with learning in the middle hub. We have been scientists learning about H2O on the Go and the children have enjoyed conducting numerous experiments about water, changes of state and surface tension. We have been busy building our fitness levels and preparing for the cross country as well as learning to land, rotate and roll safely in gymnastics. Friday football with Simon is something all the children look forward to. They have also loved learning about the leafcutter bees which will be arriving in week 8. During art we have been looking at primary colours and using these to create secondary colours and how various artists have used colour in their own art work. we are currently completing self portraitists based on Picasso In week 6 we celebrated our wonderful Dads with a 'Donuts with Dad' morning tea. We had a fantastic turnout and the children loved sharing their work and making father's Day ties for their dads to wear. Yes....busy as ever!*

### Senior Hub

Hayley and Kate

Kia Ora Koutou! Term three is flying by. We have been joined by John McIlraith this term as a student teacher in Rm 6. We have been investigating all about the water cycle and how other countries depend on water differently. We have completed many science experiments around this and the students even managed to organise their own experiments and film them! Finally, after half the year training, we had our annual cross country. All the students ran extremely well and pushed themselves to their limits. More recently, we invited our Dads in for Donuts with Dad and the turnout was fantastic. It was a great chance for them to see their child in action at writing time, as well as comment on how they thought they were going. The Senior Hub are all very excited about our Leaf cutter bees arriving in wk 8 after having clues delivered by them and then completing a scavenger hunt to finally reveal who was coming.