

Room 2's Term 4 Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 4, our final term before xmas and traditionally our busiest term. I've missed working with the kids so I'm looking forward to finishing the year with them. We have a lot planned this term so get ready for a fast and fun term. Term 4 is when we are heading towards summer so it's our 'no hat no play' term. Children are expected to wear their school bucket hats at break times and during other outside activities.

Our Discovery learning focus this term will be using the curriculum areas of Science – planet earth and beyond and Social Sciences. The context for our discovery learning will be **volcanoes**. We will be looking at developing our understanding of how volcanoes are formed, how they change and the impacts they can have on the environment and communities. As part of this learning we are planning a trip to Rotorua on the 25th of November. More detailed information will be coming home about this shortly.

Our Maths focuses this term are place value and fractions revision, times table maintenance, decimals and time.

Homework will commence as of next week and I have some more innovative ideas for this term. I have been pleased with how engaged the kids have been with their homework and with some awesome results. Also just a reminder that although they may not bring reading home every night as part of their homework the kids are expected to read every night.

A big thank you to Mrs Inder for her hard work last term and lucky for us she will continue to work in our class on Mondays.

Our sports focus this term will be on developing our gymnastics skills – to support this we have planned 2 trips to Hamilton City Gymnastics. Our school athletics day is also coming up later in the term so we will begin athletics training in a few weeks. This term also the senior school is involved in a few inter-school sports fixtures—more info will be coming home about them closer to the actual events.

Again please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanking You

Laurel Benn