

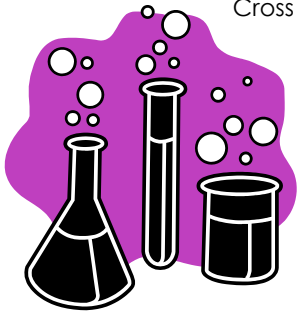
# Team 5 Newsletter

**Term 3 2010**

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We wish to welcome everyone back to school and we trust that you all had a safe and relaxing holiday with your children. A special welcome to all new children to Team 5!

There were many wonderful opportunities that presented themselves for our student's in Term 2! The children took part in many extra curricular activities such as the Kiwisport Tennis Programme, an Oceans Alive presentation and Tools for Life show. Some of our children were also involved in sports tournaments throughout the term. We were also extremely proud of the way the children performed in the school cross country! Their participation and attitude at the start of the term on their distance training and building stamina was excellent as well as in the weeks leading up to the whole school Cross Country event. It certainly was a busy and active term!



## **Term 3 Theme: "ICU CO<sub>2</sub>"**

This term our major Science curriculum focus will be investigating physical and chemical properties and experimenting with every day products you can find in your kitchen cupboard. We will also look at what happens when you mix an acid and a carbonate together. The children will have many opportunities to be involved in practical hands on experiments. This integrated unit will also have a minor Technology focus.



### **Literacy**

This term our main focus is writing explanations and instructions. Students will continue to develop their knowledge of the language features and structure of explanations and instructions while applying these in their writing.

### **Numeracy**

This term our Advanced Numeracy Programme will continue to teach and revise Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division and Proportions and Ratios knowledge and strategies. It is important that your child continues to practise their basic facts for homework, as speed and accuracy will support this programme at school. This term our strand focuses are **Geometry:** Space and Shape: - 2D and 3D shapes, Position and Orientation (Mapping skills) Transformations (Symmetry) and **Statistics:** Probability & Investigation

### **Physical Education**

The Physical Education programme will focus at the start of the term on Kiwisport Hockey. The programme will run for 6 weeks. Each class will have a 45 minute session on a Thursday.

### **Dance Lessons**

Team 5 students have the opportunity to participate in a series of dance lessons beginning on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July. The students will be tutored in a variety of dance genres, in particular hip hop and jazz dancing. Jonny Williams from Limelight Dance Studios will be tutoring the students. If you wish for your child to take part in this programme, payments need to be made in full before lessons begin. The total cost for this 8 week course is \$20.00. Please put money in a named envelope and forward to the classroom teacher. If you have any queries please contact Mrs Nicol in Room 17.

### **Parent Discussions**

We feel it is important to have effective ongoing communication between home and school. Therefore we look forward to the opportunity to discuss with you your child's learning goals and next steps during the second Parent/Teacher discussion which are scheduled for the 29<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Coming up Term 3**

Athon and Variety Show – keep an eye out for more information about these two school wide events!

Kind Regards

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