



Newsletter Week 7 Term 2 2020

Assessments

This week we'll be completing spelling assessments as we explore using a new school resource. Liz Kane's 'The Code' is "a systematic literacy approach for teaching the alphabetic code" and it may help some of our kids learn the rules and patterns to help them become more confident spellers and writers.

Maths assessments will also help us decide which 'PRIME MATHS' level is best for each child; as we look at using this new resource across the school, as we focus on improving Maths teaching and learning this year - this is a BOT and school Charter target and a goal identified by parents in the last parent survey in 2018/19.

Phone book deliveries in Sanson village

Last week we sent home a request for help in delivering the Sanson village phone books for this annual Pool fundraiser. If you can help deliver books please contact Jude ASAP - 021709719.

The rural roads south of Sanson to north of Halcombe and Halcombe village are being delivered this week and in the weekend weather permitting - thanks David, Emma, Daniel, Ethan, Kate and Ryan!

Thanks also to Denise for advertising this on the Sanson network(s)!

Mid-year reporting

This year we will be sending home mid-year reports but we won't have the Portfolios to share until the end of the year. Usually we select samples of work during Term 2 to display in the Portfolio and share at an interview but we were learning from home for 7 weeks and children's work is on display on the classroom walls and hallway instead of in the Portfolios. If you would like to schedule an interview time please contact the Office to arrange a time before the end of term.

Alert Level 1

It is FANTASTIC to be back to normal as of today! Children will continue to use hand sanitiser as they enter and leave a room but we're back to allowing physical contact so PE can return to normal (contact sports) and kids can work together without adhering to the 1-2 metre rule. Thank you to the parents who have signed in and out each time they have visited inside school.

School opening hours - most schools in New Zealand have opening hours of 30 minutes before lessons start and only have students stay after school for organised after school care programmes (that have an hourly charge) or for clubs/sports with coaches running these. For the last year or so we have **KINDLY** allowed parents to drop off children earlier than 8.30am and we have also supervised children after school. This is something Chris and I have willingly offered but it is NOT a right. Please pop in and see us if your child will be here prior to the normal school opening time of 8.30am or they are to be picked up later than 3.15pm.

School Cross Country - this is to be held on Thursday July 2nd, not as advertised in the Term Calendar - sorry!

School Lunches - Jen will resume school lunches at the start of term 3. The same delicious menu will be available including gluten free options.



Photo right - Zunairah with her beautifully hand painted henna art.



Regards Jude and the **TEAM** **T**ogether, **E**veryone, **A**chieves, **M**ore