Team Quest

Welcome to 2017!

A warm welcome to our new Clearview families and to all of our existing families welcome back! This newsletter outlines the Term I plans to start 2017 in the Year 5/6 Team Quest!

We still have a fairly large team this year with 7 Homebases split into 3 zones. Jason Galland is the overall Team Quest Leader. Each zone has selected a Native Bird as a way to name their space. The teachers making up the team are listed below with their team name:

Team Kea: Alice McKessar (HB30), Jason Galland (HB31), and Janine Faulkner (HB32)

Team Tui: Lauren Moir (HB34) and Katie Newell (HB35)

Team Pukeko: Bridget Roberts (HB36) and Clare Dainter (HB37)

We look forward to the year ahead in Team Quest!



Term One Curriculum

Literacy: Our focus in writing for the first half of the term will be descriptive writing. Through this we will be drawing upon our own experiences to support creative and descriptive pieces of writing. Our reading programme will link closely with our writing and at times will also be integrated into other learning areas.

Numeracy: In the first part of the term our strand maths will cover Shape and Location. Later in the term we will be covering number knowledge and strategies for solving problems with addition and subtraction.

The Arts: We will be investigating and experimenting with a variety of drawing techniques.

P.E/Sport: We will be looking at skills and game play for invasion games and later we will work on our endurance for Cross Country. Also note the swimming sports date below.

Inquiry: Our inquiry topic for the year is 'Deep' which looks at our uniqueness, and how relationships with our friends work, develop and grow. The beginning of this starts by looking at the concept of our identify and who we are as learners.



Senior Swimming Sports Thursday 23rd February From 10:00am (Time TBC)



Be sunsmart!

All children need to be wearing their school hat in term 1, no hat no play!



Clearview Parent Open Evening Details out soon!

Term 1 dates of note:

- School swimming sports Thursday 23
 February from 10:00am (TBC)
- Lincoln Zone Duathlon Monday 13th March
- Zone swimming sports Friday 10 March (TBC)
- Year 5/6 Rugby League Tourney -Tuesday 28th March
- Easter holidays Fri 14 April to Monday 17 April
- Canterbury Swimming sports -Thursday 6th April
- Last day of term Thursday 15 April

Coming up in term 2...

2017 Camp to Living Springs!

Team Kea (HB30-32): Mon 1 May - Wed 3 May

Team Tui & Team Pukeko (HB34-37):

Wed 3 May - Fri 5 May

Term 1 Activity Fees: Yr 5/6

To be paid at the School Office (A school statement will be out in week 4)

Camp

\$175.00 approx

Clearview Parent Open Evening

We would love to see you at this parent evening so you can see our learning spaces and find out about the learning programmes we are running. There will be more information to come on this evening shortly.

Uniform and Footwear

Please ensure that children are keeping to our uniform standards. If you are unsure then please check the website for details of the **summer uniform**. Children are active daily and are welcome to bring a change of footwear, however they **must wear their appropriate black footwear** at all other times.

Clearview Sports Tops are now compulsory for all students Years 4-8. Purchase of one of these can be made at http:// nzuniforms.com/clearview.

BYOD (Bring your own device)

Details of our bring your own device programme will be sent out in the coming weeks. Initially we will be spending some time setting up programmes and educating children around cyber safety before asking for devices to be brought from home.

Home learning

Details of our home learning programme were sent home with children last week. Please take the time to read through the information with children and ask questions if you are unsure of expectations. Mathletics & Reading Eggs logins are funded by the school this year and will be given out shortly.

Team Quest Camp

We are off to camp next term! The team will go in two separate groups, see opposite for the dates. Later in the term we will be asking for parent helpers to support this camp. For financial planning the cost will be approximately \$175 per child for the 3 day and 2 night camp.

Contacting Team Quest Staff

Feel free to make contact with staff via email at any time or come into the homebase before or after school. We may not always be able to meet with you without notice, so for undivided attention please arrange a meeting prior through email.

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