



FRANKLEY SCHOOL
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Dear Parents

We would like to welcome our students back for a fun learning year.

Te Rangatahi (Together We Grow) Year 5/6.

- ~ Mr Ryan Fleming, Room 08.
- ~ Mrs Kim Cribb, Room 10.
- ~ Mrs Merryl McAllister, Room 11 (Team Leader).
- Ms Fiona Bayley will be the release teacher for Mrs McAllister. She will teach in room 11 most Wednesdays.

Class Camps

As outlined last year, we were fortunate to gain camp times at Konini lodge at Dawson falls.

The dates for the camps will be as following:

Room 11 22-24 February

Room 10 29 Feb - 02 March

Room 08 07 – 09 March

The Year 5 students in room 09 will camp with Mrs Wilkinson, room 10 and Mrs Cribb

Camp notices will start coming home this week.

Puke Ariki Visits

Classes will be visiting Puke Ariki to learn about our Mountain – please let your class teacher know if you are able to attend with the class.

Tuesday 14 February - 11.00am - room 11

Wednesday 15 February - 11.00am - room 08

Friday 17 February - 11.00am - room 10

Weet-Bix Tryathlon

We thought we'd also let you know the Weet-Bix Tryathlon is on the 28 March – children who wish to enter this need to do so on line. This event is organized by children and parents at home.



Notices

You will be able to find any Te Rangatahi notices on the school website –

www.frankley.school.nz

Communication 2012

Class teachers wish to be able to communicate with you by emailing. If you have given your current email address to the office you will be able to receive class emails. The first one will ask for a reply from you to ensure we have your correct details. We will also let you know if the school does not have your email address in case you do have an email and are happy for us to use it. We will still print hard copies for any families that do not have Internet access.

Camp/Information Evening

Home learning will be introduced within the next fortnight. Explanations around home learning will be shared at our camp/introduction evening on Thursday 09 February at 7.30 – 8.30 in Room 11. Until this time we encourage nightly reading, sharing of current events and revision of basic facts.

Themes for the term

Our first theme will be entitled '**Conservation of our Land**' this may involve:

- Learning about our mountain and our National Park
- Looking at sustainability measures to protect native fauna and flora
- Looking at landforms
- Investigating the people who work on the mountain or to do with the mountain (DOC)
- Recreational activities on the mountain
- Protection of land around our school.

The theme will support some of the activities we do on camp.

Swimming

Please ensure your child has their togs everyday for swimming. A note or email is required should your child be unwell and unable to swim that day. Remember the day can change so please send togs even if the weather may appear unsuitable. We still try to swim in the rain if it is not cold.

Exercise Books

Te Rangatahi students will have a stationery list with them today. We know many of you may wish to name and cover the books at home. Please find below a list of the books with the name of each book.

1B5 – Literacy

1B5 – Draft Writing

1B5 – Home Learning and Goal Setting

The spare 1B5 needs to be named only

QB 7mm - Mathematics

1A5 – Workbook

1A5 – Learning Journey

We encourage all pens and pencils to be labeled. One way of doing this is to make small name labels on the computer and cellotape them around the pen/pencil

Blogging

We will be developing our class blogs this term and encourage you to check these out – www.frankley.school.nz - find your child's class page and the link to the blog. Blogs allow students to share their learning and achievement with families at home. It allows families to find out what is happening in the class

Room11 - <http://frankleyroom112012.blogspot.com/>

Room 10 - <http://frankley102012.blogspot.com/>

Room 08 – <http://roomeight2012.blogspot.com/>

If you have not given permission for images or learning to be shown on the internet (First names only are ever shared) we will contact you again in the next week.

Year 6 Leadership

Year 6 Leadership positions will be announced next week to all year 6 students. They will have initial meetings in the following two weeks with early responsibilities being allocated to group members.

Parent helpers

We do require and welcome parent help in our classrooms and also with some of our leadership teams. Should you have some time available during the week and are able to help in the classroom, or with a leadership team on a reasonably regular basis, please make contact with your child's teacher to organise this.

Library Times for each class are listed below. We encourage your child to make note of this and to ensure they have their library books and their book bag on this day.

Room 11 ~ Wednesday

Room 10 ~ Friday

Room 08 ~Tuesday

Can you help us with these classroom requirements?

Room 11 newspaper, rags, painting shirts and magazines for cutting up.

HATS - Please remember a hat every day.

We look forward to an exciting year. Please don't hesitate to make contact with us should you have any queries before we meet you all at our communication evening on the 9^h February.

Kind regards

Te Rangatahi Teachers
Merryl, Kim and Ryan