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Principal's comments:

Ngā mihi ki a Koutou

Nau mai hoki mai, welcome back.

This term we have 10 weeks, school will finish on Friday 16th December at 1.00 p.m.

The days are getting warmer so we are asking that all children wear a brimmed hat when they are outside. If the children do not have one they are able to play in the shaded areas, such as- the pohutakawa tree outside the staffroom, in the sandpit (under the roof), in the lunch area under the cover, and in the library. On hot days it is helpful if children have shorts and T-shirts to wear. This would be helpful to all those children who are playing touch as we have practices during lunchtimes. Thank you to all the whānau who are giving up their time to coach our children.

As it is Term 4 children are allowed to bring their scooter, skateboard, ripstick etc... to ride on the netball court (not bikes). We have ramps that we will also put out for them to use. There are strict rules for the safety of our children such as: Everyone must wear a safety helmet, it must be their own, no sharing or borrowing equipment. Only children with the equipment can be on the netball courts. If your child is going to be bringing the equipment can you please talk them through the expectations, thank you.

Next week we have Tracy Wheeler coming into our school to share her story telling skills with each of our classrooms. She will be sharing the story of Parihaka. Please if you would like to come in and watch, talk to your child's teacher about when she will be in the classroom.

During the holidays we had a swarm of bees that decided to make the hall their home. Corey, our caretaker (filling in for Lynton while he is on sick leave) has been working hard to clear them away. There are about 15-30 bees still hanging around so please be careful if you are coming into school.

As it is also whitebait season, our Junior school is inquiring into whitebait and part of their inquiry involves Rooms 5, 6, 7, and 8 walking down to the river and watching and asking questions to white baiters.

Thank you and have a great weekend.

Graham Sands.