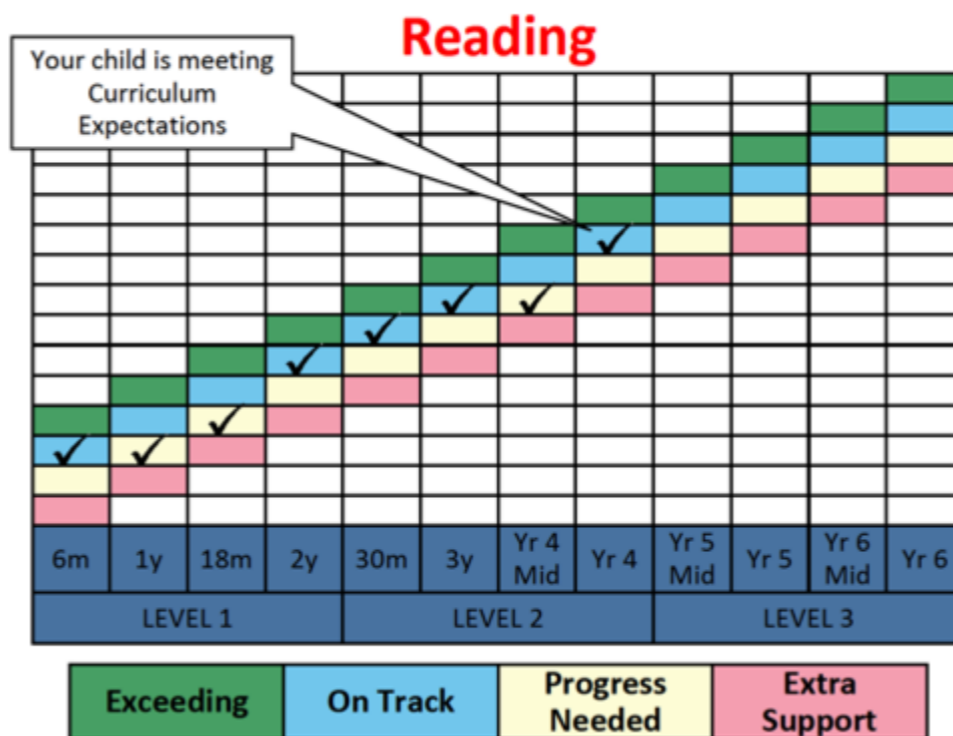




Turuturu School. Believe Achieve Succeed.

Thursday MAY the 3rd 2018.

Achievement in Relation to the NZ Curriculum



There are a lot of similarities between the old report graph and this, the new one. However, the important change is that we are measuring progress in relation to curriculum levels. You can see that a curriculum level stretches across two years. At Turuturu School in the Junior School, we still look at the length of time a child has been at school. In fact for the first three years at school, it is the length of time a child has been at school, rather than the year group that is most important. Reporting to caregivers, or "Learning Talks" happen at six month intervals. But I think sometimes, six months is too long between chances to talk. So when we need to make a difference and accelerate learning, meeting more frequently is clearly a good idea. Right!

Dear Families, Whanau and Friends of the School
Kia ora koutou katoa.

OPEN ART DAY
Thanks for coming to our school OPEN ART DAY.
Classrooms look stunning! Well done Team.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
I had a look around the children yesterday and although the vast majority are in the correct school uniform, many are not. Turuturu School has a uniform and our children need to wear it. If there is a warm undergarment beneath the top, it needs to be black. The polar fleece children wear needs to be a school polar fleece, not another red one. There are school track pants. Other branded track suit pants are not the Turuturu School uniform.

At the moment any shoes are ok. They are mostly off anyway! Girls can wear plain black tights under their culottes. They can't just wear tights without culottes. Girls can wear the school black shorts. Please help us make sure the children attending our school wear our school uniform. The last thing I want to be is the clothes police. But we have a uniform and our school children should wear our school uniform.

REPORTING TO PARENTS
National Standards have gone. The New Zealand Curriculum remains. There is broadly a two year span for each curriculum level.

Year 1 and 2 children are most likely to be within Level 1.
Year 3 and 4 are most likely to be within Level 2.
Year 5 and 6 are most likely to be within Level 3.

LEARNING TALKS
It is Learning Talk time for many children. If you child is in Year 1, 2 or 3 it is possible they are getting a report. The report is important.... About 1/2 as important as the Learning Talk. A report without a talk is like:

- Fish and chips, without the chips... or
Bedtime without a story... or
Riding a tandem bike by yourself...

The report format has been amended to reflect the New Zealand Curriculum Learning Levels. Check out the example over to the right.

HOCKEY WEEK
We have had the perfect week for Hockey Week. Every class has been out there enjoying and learning new skills and being fit and active. A BIG THANK YOU TO NZ HOCKEY for the support.

STUDENT LEADERS
A real treat in store for our Student Leaders. A day trip to Palmerston North on the 21st of May. A letter describing the day will be forwarded home ASAP.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
here is the Assembly Schedule. Please make an effort to get to your child assembly. The audience is what matters. We like you coming to our Assemblies.

- Room 6 and Room 2: 10th of May.
Room 3 and 10: 24th of May
Room 12 and 1: 4th of June
Room 11 and 14: 21st of June
Room 4 and 5 and 13: 5th of June

COHORT ENTRY TO SCHOOL
We had 15 responses to the cohort entry survey. Of this 13 thought they would prefer the status

IMPORTANT DATES

RIPPA TOURNAMENT
TUESDAY THE 8th of May Pp 11th
STUDENT LEADERS CONFERENCE
21st of May

WINTER TOURNAMENT
Wednesday the 27th of June

NZ SPEECH WEEK
18th June

TURUTURU SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
12th September Pp 14th

TARANAKI CHAMPS CROSS COUNTRY
26th of September

TURUTURU SCHOOL ATHLETICS
14th of November

DIXON BANNER ATHLETICS
21st November

SCHOOL CLOSES
20th December

quo. Thanks for taking the time to let us know what you thought. The BOT will tuck this information away and reflect on the possibilities.

KAI KITCHEN
Thanks to the Mufti Day effort we donated \$304.30c to the Kai Kitchen!

SANDPIT.
NEW SAND! THANKYOU TO ALL THOSE INVOLVED AND ESPECIALLY FIRTH FOR DONATING THE SAND AND LEIGH WILLIAMSON FOR THE DIGGER AND HIS TIME!.....AWESOME.

RIPPA TEAMS
A huge thanks to the parents supporting our school by coaching our Rippa Teams. RIPPA TOURNAMENT on TUESDAY the 8th. Bus to Hawera Intermediate School grounds and back. ALL WELCOME. Children need to wear a red top and black shorts. Lunch and drinks bottles, coats and sun-screen! We are taking over 100 children on this day! Parents very welcome to come and help.

SCHOOL TRIP TO THE FIRE STATION
Will keep you posted as the plan develops.

Regards

RICHARD BRADLEY AND THE TURUTURU SCHOOL TEAM