

Year 0, 1 and 2 Newsletter Term 3 2023

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Newsletter 3



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back everyone, and a special welcome to all our new students and their families to Seatoun School. We hope you have all had a refreshing July break and are all set for Term 3. Term 2 was busy with Conferences and Matariki. We will be supporting the children to achieve their goals that were set in the conferences at the end of last term.

This term, Liz Irving will be teaching fulltime in the junior team. Initially she will be supporting in a number of classes and then she will be the New Entrant teacher in Room 10. Nina Lindenbaum is a Learning Assistant who is new to the school this term and will also be working across a number of classes in the junior team.

Term 3 Learning Focus

To start the term we will be continuing with the safety theme and running the programme "[Get Firewise](#)" programme. This programme is for year 1 and 2's and is a sequenced programme of learning experiences designed to give five and six year olds knowledge, attitudes and behaviours that will keep them safe around fire. The programme is cross-curricula with a strong literacy focus. There is a link for parents to support them when talking with their children about fire safety: [Get Firewise](#) kids and parents.

Our major focus in the term will be on the Seussical Production. The children will be exploring the Dr Seuss stories and songs that contribute to the production. All children will have a part in the production and we will be learning about the many aspects of putting on a production.

Over the term we will also be busy preparing our Calendar Art to support the FOSS fundraiser.

Formal Enrichment Programme

The Formal Enrichment programme will be running on Weeks 1, 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10. There has been a wonderful response from parents and we have lots of interesting activities, ranging from glockenspiel, cooking, green screen, art and craft, science activities on offer for the children.

Numeracy

In Numeracy, we will continue to develop Addition/Subtraction and Multiplication/Division skills. To start the term, the strand focus will be geometry - the students will be exploring the concepts of measurement and shape. Towards the end of the term, the strand focus for Year 0 and 1 will be measuring time and for Year 2 will be measuring area. There will also be some work on temperature.

Swimming in Term 4

A reminder that swimming will be happening every Thursday in Term 4. Please help prepare your child by encouraging them to dress and change themselves independently. It is also a good idea for children to familiarise themselves with the Kilbirnie Pool, prior to next term.

As you can see, it will be a busy term and we are very grateful for the ongoing support that you provide and the enriching programmes that we are able to do, with the parent help provided.

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Susan Kliffen, Ben Haddock, Peggy Bruce, Helen Taylor, Bex Quinn, Cath Colwill, Liz Irving