



Middle Syndicate - Term 4



Whaowhia te kete mātauranga - *Fill the basket of knowledge*

Bula, Fakaalofa atu, Mālō ni and a warm welcome to Term 4. The Middle syndicate is the place to be. Here we aim to learn alongside all our tamariki as they follow their passions this term. We have also included some questions that you could ask your child or that your child could ask you:

Religious Education	Virtue- Manaakitanga	Writing	Maths
<p>Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day The Rosary: Can you recite the Rosary? How many beads are in a decade?</p> <p>Communion of Saints We will recognise the presence of God in people's life journey.</p> <p>Help and encourage others by acting with tika, pono and aroha. Make good choices by thinking of others. God created people with free will. What is our responsibility?</p> <p>Feast of All Souls and All Saints Ākonga will discuss the significance of these days.</p> <p>Advent and Christmas Jesus, God's greatest gift will be unpacked with ākonga.</p>	<p>Virtue- Manaakitanga</p> <p>Manakitanga means to extend aroha (love and compassion) to others. It is found in acts such as helping a loved one, encouraging one another or even supporting a complete stranger.</p> <p>We encourage our tamariki to look at ways that they can support each other in their learning, on the playground and with their whānau.</p> <p>The Code <i>What spelling patterns have you learnt this term?</i> <i>Can you show me a few words?</i> <i>Can you write them in a sentence?</i> <i>What heart words have you learnt?</i> Please help your child spell these heart words: Code 2: some, were, who, your,</p>	<p>Editing a piece of writing Ākonga learns resilience in receiving feedback and also learns how to give constructive feedback. What can I change after I've read a few sentences that I have written?</p> <p>Writing across the curriculum Ākonga write in a variety of genre linked to their inquiry/ cultural topics Eg. Fijian Brochure , Niue diary Composting poster etc.</p> <p>Inquiry/ Topic Week 2-5: Class inquiry Week 6-8 Individual Passion projects Discuss topics with your child that they might like to investigate Eg. How is tapa cloth made? Why are sharks' mouths at the bottom of their heads? How do birds fly?</p> <p>Language weeks</p>	<p>Time Measuring Time We are exploring units of time and their order. How many days in October? What month comes after June?</p> <p>Telling the time <i>We are learning to read an analogue clock that shows, o'clock and half past the hour.</i></p> <p>Questions to ask your whānau: Show me the different clocks in our home. What do you use to help you get up on time for work? How can you set the oven as a timer for baking a cake? Own question</p> <p>Probability Ākonga Investigate simple situations that involve elements of chance, recognising equal and different likelihoods and acknowledging uncertainty.</p>

Sport Athletics daily rotation Mr Johnson: Relays Mrs Bennett: Vortex Ms Thomas; Quoits	what, saw Code 3: never, always, house, eyes, more, once, hour, fast, last Reading Ākonga reads a variety of stories and discusses questions about what they have read. Topics of interest are researched on the class ipads. Library books are issued to read in class and at home.	Week 1: Fiji Week 2: Niue Week 3: Tokelau Week 6: Diwali Science Hutt Science Kits explored Rūma 14: Sweet & Sour Rūma 15: Space Rūma 1: Inquiry into Composting	Questions to ask your whānau: What is the chance of it raining on Saturday? Certain or Uncertain. Why? Transformations Using reflective symmetry We are exploring symmetrical patterns in nature. Do you know of any culture that uses geometric patterns in their designs? Mathletics Please encourage your child to access Mathletics at home if possible or ask them to tell you what they have learnt.
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Your excited team

Mrs Bennett & Mrs Roberts (Rūma 14), Mr Johnson (Rūma 1) and Ms Thomas (Rūma 15) and our amazing Teacher Aides: Dana, Andrea and Laura

Important Dates for Term 4

DATE	EVENT
Thursday 19th October	Hangi (cancelled)
Wednesday 25th October	Athletics
Wednesday 1st November:	School Mass (All Saints' Day)
Thursday 30th November	Celebration of Learning Assembly
Wednesday 6th December	End of Year School Mass
Monday 11th December	School Picnic
Thursday 14th December	Prizegiving
Friday 15th December	Poroporoaki